



All horse owners should have supplies available for horse emergencies. Here is a list of a few things that every owner should have on hand.

First Aid Kit:

- For taking temperature
 - Thermometer - we recommend a digital thermometer, which can be purchased at any drug or grocery store
 - KY Jelly or Vaseline (spit works in a pinch)
- For taking heart rate/respiratory rate
 - Stethoscope
- For wounds/sprains
 - Scissors/clippers
 - Povidone - Iodine (Betadine) or Chlorhexidine Scrub
 - Povidone - Iodine or Chlorhexidine Solution
 - Nolvasan Ointment
 - Vaseline
 - 3 X 3 gauze
 - Bandages: standing wraps & cotton quilts
 - Cold pack
- For sole abscesses:
 - Epsom salt
 - Ichthammol
 - Duct tape
 - Baby diapers
- For hot, humid days and hard work
 - Electrolytes - the first ingredient should be a salt (i.e. sodium chloride, etc), not a sugar (i.e. glucose, sucrose, fructose). Administer as directed on the label (however, some horses will not drink water mixed with electrolytes – always provide fresh water as well)

Medication: Only use with veterinary supervision. If you have these medications on hand, please call 804.333.0333 prior to administering.

- Phenylbutazone (Bute): for pain, fever, and swelling*
- Banamine: for pain, fever and swelling*
- Penicillin/SMZ TMP: antibiotics for infection
- Triple antibiotic ophthalmic ointment

*NEVER give both bute and banamine at the same time!

Please call immediately if your horse has an injury or illness. We would rather spend time helping you through a minor problem then allow things to get out of hand. Please call with any questions at all 804.333.0333!