World Horse Welfare

Just in case

Equine end of life planning



Owner's plan

When you fill this form in, find out what options are available in your area, ask any questions that you have and find out the current costs of each service. Hopefully you won't need this information for many years so, as the costs and availability of different options are likely to change, it is worth checking the details once a year.

You should also check that your insurance policy details haven't changed. If you keep your horse at livery, give a completed copy of this form to the yard manager so, should there be an emergency and they are unable to contact you, they will know what choices you would make and will have all the relevant details readily to hand.

By completing the emergency contact details at the end of this form, they will also know who to ring if they are unable to get hold of you. If the circumstances mean you are unable to use your preferred method for having the horse put to sleep, remember that this may affect the other choice you have made (e.g. a horse put to sleep by injection can only be cremated or buried).

If you wish to bury your horse you will need permission from the Local Authority as well as from the land owner. Remember it is a legal requirement to notify the relevant passport issuing organisation when any horse dies.

Many insurance companies require owners to notify them, in advance where possible, of a horse being put to sleep. Check your policy to find out if this is necessary as failure to do so could result in invalidation of the policy.

Does the insurance company require you to notify them in advance if the horse is being put to sleep?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Horse's details

Name: .....

Passport issuing organisation (PIO): .....

PIO address: .....

PIO telephone: .....

Passport number: .....

Microchip number: ..... Freeze mark: .....

Insurance policy number: .....

Insurance company name and address: .....

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Telephone: ..... Relevant policy coverage: .....

Owner's preferred options

In most situations you should have the choice of how the horse is put to sleep. However, this may not be possible in an emergency.

Please state your preferred options below.

Method

Injection (can only be done by a vet) ☐ Cost .....

Bullet by vet ☐ Cost .....

Bullet by other licensed individual (e.g. crematorium staff, etc.) ☐ Cost .....

Burial on own land (permission from Local Authority required) ☐ Cost .....

Communal cremation (no ashes returned) ☐ Cost .....

Communal cremation (token ashes returned) ☐ Cost .....

Individual cremation (all ashes returned) ☐ Cost .....

Fallen Stock Collector (also known as knackerman) ☐ Cost .....

Abattoir ☐ Cost .....

Hunt kennels ☐ Cost .....

Intended provider

Name: .....

Address: .....

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Daytime telephone number: .....

Emergency telephone number: .....

Out of hours cover available? .....

Intended provider

Name: .....

Address: .....

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Daytime telephone number: .....

Emergency telephone number: .....

Out of hours cover available? .....

Owner's details

Name: .....

Address: .....

Daytime telephone number: .....

Evening telephone number: .....

Mobile number: .....

Emergency contact details

If the owner is unavailable, please contact:

Name: .....

Relationship to owner (e.g. spouse, friend, vet, etc.): .....

Address: .....

Daytime telephone number: .....

Evening telephone number: .....

Mobile number: .....

Vet's details

Name: .....

Practice name: .....

Telephone number: .....

Checklist

Preferred methods researched and chosen ☐

Preferred providers researched and chosen ☐

Insurance cover checked ☐

Insurance details completed ☐

Emergency contact details completed ☐

Completed copy given to livery manager ☐

Date form completed or last reviewed: .....



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