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## **BREEDING SHED REQUIREMENTS AND POLICIES**

**~ BREEDING SHED WILL OPEN FEBRUARY 10 ~**

### **STALLION BOOKING OFFICE HOURS**

7:30 AM – 4:30 PM Monday through Friday ▪ 7:30 AM – 12:00 noon Saturday and Sunday

Booking Via Telephone only

- **ALL MARES MUST ARRIVE WITH PROPER IDENTIFICATION (HALTER NAMEPLATE OR NECK STRAP WITH NAME) IN ORDER TO BE BRED. SPENDTHRIFT WILL NOT PROVIDE ID MATERIALS.**
- **All paperwork must be on file prior to your mare being given a spot on the books.**
- All maiden mares must be jumped prior to their first visit.
- All state and federal requirements must be met.
- Mares should arrive at the breeding shed promptly for their scheduled session.
- Spendthrift Farm will make every reasonable attempt to breed your mare but reserves the right not to breed the mare at any given session if mare is deemed a danger to the stallion and/or staff.

### **MARE REQUIREMENTS:**

A Breeding Shed Form must be presented each time a mare is bred; requirements are as follows:

**DOMESTIC MAIDEN MARES (U.S. AND CANADA):** A negative aerobic uterine culture is required for the initial cover and for any return covers from the **third heat** and subsequent covers (not including doubles). All cultures must be over 48 hours old but less than 30 days old. **The culture for return covers must be taken from the current heat period.** A culture certificate must accompany the mare to the breeding shed. **All maiden mares must be jumped prior to their first visit, hind shoes need to be removed before coming to the shed, or mare will be sent home**

**DOMESTIC BARREN MARES:** A negative aerobic uterine culture is required for the initial cover and for any return covers from the **third heat** and subsequent covers (not including doubles). All cultures must be over 48 hours old but less than 30 days old. **The culture for return covers must be taken from the current heat period.** A culture certificate must accompany the mare to the breeding shed.

**DOMESTIC FOALING MARES:** No culture is required for the first visit except for mares whose foals have died within seven days of birth. A negative aerobic uterine culture is required for a **second** visit and every subsequent visit thereafter (not including doubles). All staples must be removed before the mare is brought to the breeding shed. **Foal heat mares may be bumped at short notice.**

**IMPORTED MAIDENS AND MARES IMPORTED FROM NON-CEM AFFECTED COUNTRIES:** All fillies of foreign origin must have two (2) sets of negative CEM cultures (minimum of 72 hours elapsing between the samples being collected) from the clitoral fossa, clitoral sinus(es) and one (1) CEM culture from the endometrium. This swab may be included with either of the required sets of swabs, or in the case of a pregnant mare, the swab may be collected after foaling. The first three (3) mares bred after the imported filly must be CF tested 15-25 days post-breeding. A negative aerobic uterine culture is required within 30 days prior to the first visit. A negative aerobic uterine culture is required for a third visit and every subsequent visit thereafter (not including doubles). **The mare must be jumped prior to the first visit.**

**IMPORTED FOALING AND BARREN MARES/MARES IMPORTED FROM CEM AFFECTED COUNTRIES:** Contact the State Veterinarian's Office in Frankfort, Kentucky regarding testing procedures and acquisition of quarantine releases for the breeding season. A copy of the Quarantine Release (which should include results of the CEM endometrium culture) must accompany the mare on her first trip to the breeding shed. The first three (3) mares bred after the imported mare will be required to have a CF test drawn 15-25 days post-breeding. Imported barren mares must also have a negative aerobic uterine culture within 30 days of the first visit. A negative aerobic uterine culture taken from the current heat period is required for all return covers (not including doubles) for both Imported Barren and Imported Foaling mares.

**DOUBLE:** A Breeding Shed Form must accompany the mare each time she is presented to be bred. First trip mares will always be given preference over doubles.

**Please contact us with any questions regarding these policies.**