



# 2011 | BREEDING REQUIREMENTS

THE HORSERACE BETTING LEVY BOARD'S CODES OF PRACTICE WILL BE STRICTLY APPLIED WITH RESPECT TO THE CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

*Details of the Codes of Practice as they will be applied can be found at [www.hblb.org.uk](http://www.hblb.org.uk)*

Prior to being covered, all mares will be required to have successfully completed the following tests, either at the stud, or prior to their arrival at the stud:

- 1. Negative clitoral and endometrial swabs** for CEMO, *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (capsule types 1, 2, & 5) and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* tested at a Horserace Betting Levy Board Designated Laboratory. High risk mares, as defined below, will require additional testing as detailed below. For clarity, the endometrial swab may be taken at the start of the oestrus period in which the mare is to be covered. Covering may take place pending the CEMO culture results, as long as the initial culture is negative for *Klebsiella* and *Pseudomonas*.
- 2. Negative blood test for EIA (Equine Infectious Anaemia)** taken after 1st January, 2011. Any mare that has been outside the UK in the last 12 months will require additional EIA testing as detailed below.
- 3. Negative blood test for EVA (Equine Viral Arteritis)** taken after 1st January, 2011. All mares originating outside of the UK will require additional testing as detailed below.
- 4. Completion of a health declaration** by the originating stud, stating that the mare has not been known to be in contact with any infectious disease (eg. Strangles, Equine Influenza, Salmonellosis, EHV outbreaks) for less than 6 months.

**HIGH RISK MARES** are defined as those who have had previous contact with CEMO or who originate from countries outside France, Germany, Ireland, Italy and the United Kingdom. Prior to arrival at the stud, these mares must have two negative clitoral swabs taken at least 7 days apart, and one negative endometrial swab taken during the oestrus prior to service. Swabs must be tested by HBLB designated laboratory.

## **MARES ORIGINATING FROM OUTSIDE THE UNITED KINGDOM AND IRELAND**

- EVA negative test to be taken no more than 28 days before the mare enters the UK, and a second negative test no less than 14 days after the mare has arrived in the UK.
- EIA negative test to be taken no more than 14 days before the mare enters the UK. A second negative test must be taken no less than 14 days after arrival in the UK and within 21 days of the subsequent cover. Retesting will be required if the mare is represented for covering later in the season.

## **MARES WALKING IN SHOULD BE PRESENTED WITH THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION:**

1. Passport
2. Health declaration and associated EIA, EVA, CEM and Endometrial swab Certificates

## **PLEASE NOTE**

*Additional swabbing and/or other tests may be required in certain circumstances and the Stud reserves the right to retest any mare it deems high risk before proceeding to cover the mare. The results of such test(s) may take up to seven days to come through from the laboratory and all costs will be charged to the owner.*