

Sedation of Horses for Veterinary Paraprofessionals

Terms, Conditions and Risks

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Name:	
Address:	
Horse's name:	
You have requested sedation of your horse/pony to allow:	Dentistry <input type="checkbox"/> Clipping <input type="checkbox"/> Shoeing <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>
To be carried out by someone outside this practice on:	Date

A Veterinary surgeon from this practice will perform such sedation, or the practice will dispense an oral sedative subject to the following terms and conditions and warnings:

- A sedated horse can never be considered totally safe. It might behave unpredictably at any time. Sudden arousals can occur without notice or in exaggerated response to stimuli that would otherwise be tolerated. Sedated horses may stumble, even fall and they remained able to kick, barge, rear etc. Only experienced and competent persons, who are aware of these risks, should handle or be near sedated horses. Horses who have been sedated cannot be ridden or driven on the same day.
- The practice will charge per unit time of attendance in addition to the drug and administration costs etc.¹ The veterinary surgeon will advise that he or she should remain with the horse for the duration that the procedure requires sedation to supervise the sedation to and ensure the horse remains adequately sedated for the duration of the procedure. If you decline to accept that advice, the practice will not be held liable for any loss or damage of any kind that might otherwise not have occurred.
- The practice will accept responsibility only for sedating your horse. The practice will not be held liable for any loss or damage of any kind that arises from the choice of technician, or of the procedure to be carried out, or the manner in which it is performed.²

¹ For charging rates and estimates, please contact the practice.

² It is against the law for an EDT to perform any invasive acts of veterinary surgery, including extracting teeth, other than the extraction of erupted wolf teeth. In addition, many other dental procedures will require the administration of analgesics that may only be provided by a veterinary surgeon.