

Irish National Stud reserves the right to amend these requirements in alignment with any changes to Department of Agriculture Guidelines.

CONTRACT:

All mares must have a fully executed nomination contract lodged with the office prior to presentation for covering.

CEM

All mares require one negative clitoral swab, cultured at an approved Irish, UK or French laboratory in the 2017 breeding season; certificate to be lodged prior to covering.

Please Note:

This requirement applies also to mares covered at the INS in 2016.

CEM swabs take a week to culture but may be taken at any stage of pregnancy or oestrus cycle, so ideally mares should be swabbed before arrival at the stud.

Remember, this swab also tests for other venereal pathogens such as Klebsiella and Pseudomonas which may be a problem, even in maiden mares.

EIA

a) Irish and UK Mares

All mares require one negative test (Coggins or Eliza) for EIA taken after 1 January 2017 and prior to arrival at the Irish National Stud.

b) Mares and Foals from outside Ireland / UK

Both require a negative test for E.I.A. taken within 14 days of departure to Ireland, which should accompany them. On arrival at the Irish National Stud, they will be placed in isolation until retested at 10-14 days. If arriving to an Irish boarding farm, they must be isolated and retested after 14 days post arrival.

EVA

Irish and UK Mares

All mares require a blood sample taken after 1 January 2017. This sample must be analysed by an approved Irish or UK laboratory and show a negative result. In the event of a positive result, a repeat sample, showing a stable or declining titre taken 14 days after the initial sample, will also be required. UK based mares must be transported only with other UK animals of a similar disease and certification status, or they may be isolated on arrival and retested in 10-14 days.

Mares from outside Ireland / UK

These mares require a sample taken within 14 days of departure to Ireland, showing a negative or stable titre, which should accompany the mare. On arrival at the Irish National Stud, they will be placed in isolation until retested at 10-14 days. If arriving to an Irish boarding farm, they must be isolated and retested after 14 days post arrival. i.e.; foreign mares will NOT be covered for at least 14 days after arrival in Ireland.

Mares changing stallions

All mares changing stallions during the season will require further negative tests for EVA and CEM taken at least 7 days after covering by the 1st stallion and within 28 days of covering by the 2nd stallion.

DOURINE Mares arriving from Italy or which have been in Italy since 1 January 2016.

These mares require a negative sample taken within 30 days of departure from Italy. On arrival at the Irish National Stud, they will be placed in isolation until retested at 10-14 days. If arriving to an Irish boarding farm, they must be isolated and retested after 14 days post arrival. i.e.; foreign mares will NOT be covered for at least 14 days after arrival in Ireland.

EHV 1.4

It is advised that mares coming to foal at the Irish National Stud should be vaccinated against “virus abortion”. This may be carried out by your own Veterinary Surgeon at 5, 7 and 9 months of gestation.

OTHER VACCINATIONS

No routine vaccinations (Influenza, Tetanus, Rotavirus etc.) will be carried out on visiting mares or foals, unless requested in writing. If animals have been vaccinated against strangles please advise us in writing.

PASSPORT

Due to changes in EU Transport Regulations, passports must accompany the mare to stud and will be returned with the mare at the time of her departure.

ARRIVALS

Notification of mares arriving to the Irish National Stud should be made in advance to the main office. Mares requiring same day veterinary examination must be delivered to the Irish National Stud prior to 12h00 on weekdays and by prior arrangement at weekends.

COVERINGS / WALK-INS

Mares residing at the Irish National Stud will be given priority. Efforts are and will be made to accommodate walk-in mares for covering, but breeders may be asked to bring their mares to the stud early for re-examination to help obtain the best possible timing for all mares. A minimum of 48 hours' notice is required for potential walk-in covering.

SCANNING

It is the policy of the Irish National Stud to scan mares at the following stages of pregnancy 14-16 days, 30-days, 42-days and 60-days. No further scans will normally be carried out unless requested in writing.

WORM DOSING & FARRIER

All mares will be wormed on arrival and on a regular basis thereafter, unless a recent previous worming date is supplied in writing to the yard foreperson. All mares will have their feet dressed or shod as deemed necessary by the Stud's farrier unless written instruction is supplied to the contrary. Foals will receive similar worming and farrier attention after one month of age.

PLEASE NOTE:

Mares will not be accepted for covering until all the above documentation and a signed contract has been lodged with the office. It is therefore, advised that this should be done as early as possible, to prevent a delay at the time of covering.

*****The Irish National Stud reserves the right to instruct their Veterinary Surgeons to carry out any necessary examination or treatment, at the owner's expense.*****

The above are minimum requirements and the Irish National Stud reserves the right to request further testing in the event of a query about disease status