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TATTERSALLS FEBRUARY SALE 2027
CONTAGIOUS EQUINE METRITIS (C.E.M.) REQUIREMENTS FOR SALE

Please read the following instructions carefully as failure to lodge the correct documentation will result in your Lot(s) being refused entry to Park Paddocks or to outside/duplicate standings. If you have any queries relating to Sales' documentation or receive any non-negative results, please call Liz Wood in the Bloodstock Department to discuss.

The relevant certificate templates are available to download from our main website, www.tattersalls.com.

You or your vet should submit all health documentation to your Tattersalls Online Account pre-arrival of the Lots at Park Paddocks. There is no need for duplicate copies to accompany the horses.

Swabs must be submitted to a Laboratory registered with the Horserace Betting Levy Board (HBLB) in the United Kingdom or to National Approved Laboratories in France, Germany, Ireland, and Italy (and all other countries). **Swabs must include negative results for Taylorella equigenitalis, Klebsiella pneumoniae, and Pseudomonas aeruginosa.**

Fillies, mares or stallions known to have been infected with C.E.M. within the last 12 months WILL NOT be allowed to enter Park Paddocks.

1. **HIGH RISK MARES** as defined in Appendix 2 of the HBLB Codes of Practice, including all mares arriving from countries other than the United Kingdom, Ireland, France, Germany, or Italy (or if covered by stallions resident outside these 5 countries) **WILL NOT** be allowed entry into Park Paddocks without certificates as follows:

   a) **Barren Mares and Mares Not Covered in 2026**
   Require a set of negative swabs to be taken from the cervix **AND** clitoris (fossa and sinuses**)** during an oestrus period **AND** a second negative clitoral swab (fossa and sinuses) to be taken at least seven days after the first set of swabs. The second clitoral swab should be taken within 30 days of the Sale. All swabs must have been taken after the last date of covering and cultured under both aerobic and microaerophilic conditions or tested by PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction). **If your vet cannot obtain a cervical swab, please call Liz Wood in Bloodstock for advice.**

   b) **Pregnant Mares**
   Require two negative clitoral swabs (fossa and sinuses) to have been taken at least seven days apart. One should be dated within 30 days of the Sale and the other must have been taken after the last date of covering. Swabs must be cultured under both aerobic and microaerophilic conditions or tested by PCR. High Risk mares must be tested for pregnancy **BEFORE** entering Park Paddocks and the certificate must be dated **WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE SALE.**

   c) **High Risk Fillies In/Out of Training (THIS CATEGORY INCLUDES TWO-YEAR OLDS)**
   Require two negative clitoral swabs (fossa and sinuses) to be taken at least seven days apart. One should be dated within 30 days of the Sale. Swabs must be cultured under both aerobic and microaerophilic conditions or tested by PCR.

2. **LOW RISK PREGNANT MARES**
   Mares must be tested for pregnancy **BEFORE** entering Park Paddocks and must have a certificate stating that a negative clitoral swab (fossa and sinuses) has been obtained. All swabs must have been taken after the last date of covering and cultured under both aerobic and microaerophilic conditions or tested by PCR and must be dated **WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE SALE.** Vendors are also advised to carry out a preliminary pregnancy test on their mares some six weeks before sale, so that if found barren the requirements regarding cervical swabbing (see paragraph 3 below) may be fulfilled.

3. **LOW RISK BARREN MARES AND MARES NOT COVERED IN 2026**
   These mares will **NOT** be accepted for sale unless they have a certificate stating that a set of negative swabs have been obtained from the cervix **AND** clitoris (fossa and sinuses) after the last date of covering and cultured under both aerobic and microaerophilic conditions or tested by PCR. The cervical swab must be obtained during an oestrus period **WITHIN 3 MONTHS OF THE SALE** and the clitoral swab **WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE SALE. If your vet cannot obtain a cervical swab, please call Liz Wood in Bloodstock for advice.**

4. **LOW RISK FILLIES IN AND OUT OF TRAINING (Resident in United Kingdom, Ireland, France, Germany, or Italy)**
   ALL fillies aged three years or over require a certificate stating that a single negative clitoral swab (fossa and sinuses) has been taken and cultured under both aerobic and microaerophilic conditions or tested by PCR and must be dated **WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE SALE**.
   TWO-YEAR OLD FILLIES IN THE LOW-RISK CATEGORY DO NOT REQUIRE A CEM SWAB.

5. **STALLIONS**
   Stallions which have covered mares during the years 2016 to 2026 inclusive will **NOT** be accepted for sale unless there is a certificate stating that negative swabs have been obtained from the three sites (urethra, urethral fossa and penile sheath) on two occasions at intervals of not less than seven days, both dated after his last date of covering. Swabs must be cultured under both aerobic and microaerophilic conditions or tested by PCR.

6. **COLTS/GELDINGS IN AND OUT OF TRAINING**
   No certificate required.