

FEEDING PROCEDURE

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1. All feeding bowls are colour coded for each horse/pony, details are found on the whiteboard in the feed room. Name tags are also available.
2. All feed and water bowls are to be regularly cleaned and disinfected on a weekly basis, more so if it is muddy.
3. All feed must be stored in vermin and waterproof containers and clearly labelled.
4. All medicines are to be secured in a locked storage container in the feed room. The Proprietor or Adult-in- Charge should have access to the key only.
5. No feed bowls are to be left out for a prolonged period of time to avoid vermin/accidental ingestion.
6. All feed measurements/amounts are detailed on the whiteboard in the feed room. This will be updated by the Proprietor if/when feed regimes alter due to seasonal or workload changes.
7. Care should be taken when filling bowls not to spill foodstuffs onto the floor.
8. All surfaces and floor should be thoroughly swept after feed bowls distributed.
9. Horses/ponies ideally should be in stables when given feed. If unavoidable, care must be given to evenly space our feed using hooked buckets on the fences.
10. During the winter months, adequate forage must be available at all times. Hay is stored in the Hay Barn. Each horse/pony to have access to at least one large slice of forage in the evenings with one extra slice down for the number of ponies in the field.
11. Haynets must be replenished every day in the stables and secured properly on baler twine. Care should be given to avoid putting out dusty/mouldy roughage.
12. Any horses/ponies with respiratory/dietary issues must have soaked hay.
13. Any waste feed is to be disposed of in the shown area at Site 5. This is for burning/disposal without attracting vermin.
14. Daily checks of water troughs undertaken, twice daily for winter/icy weather and frozen troughs/buckets to be broken through to allow access.
15. All water buckets in stables to be replenished daily and covered by bucket lid.
16. All feeding to be administered by an adult unless supervised in a stable management lesson.