

2020 Foaling Kit Product List

For those clients with foaling mares at home, there are some essential tools and equipment that should be on hand to make your mare's delivery as smooth as possible. The following list is certainly not comprehensive, but should be used as a guide for discussion with your veterinarian to ensure that you and he/she have discussed important aspects of foaling and what to do in certain emergency situations.

A complete foaling kit is available through Animal Reproduction Systems (ARS) and available online at www.arssales.com.

Emergency Contact	<u>Phone Number</u>
SBS-Veterinary Services	(410) 885-3202

Foaling Kit	Use	Source
Item		
Thermometer (Fast-Digital)	Monitoring neonatal rectal temperature	Medical Supply
Stethoscope	Monitoring heart rate and respiration of both mare and foal	Medical Supply
Sharp Scissors "Mayo Scissors"	Many uses Opening "Red Bag Delivery," cutting umbilical tape, or removing foal-alert devices	Medical Supply
Flashlight	Helps in dark stalls or at night (Don't forget batteries)	Hardware Store
Milk Calcium Testing Kit	Monitors milk CaCO ₃ to help predict foaling	Predict-A-Foal Foal Watch
Tail Wrap, Brown Gauze, or Vet Wrap	Prevent tail hairs from interfering with foaling and limits cleanup of mare's tail	Medical Supply
Sterile Obstetrical Sleeves	Used to check position of fetus if needed	Reproduction Supply
Sterile Obstetrical Lubricant	Apply to sterile sleeve prior to use	Reproduction Supply
Bulk Exam Gloves	General Purpose Washing mare, drying foal, dipping navel, or handling placenta	Medical Supply
Liquid Soap (Ivory or other gentle hand soap)	Washing mares udder and perineum prior to foaling	Grocery Store Reproduction Supply
Umbilical Tape or Umbilical Clamp	To tie off or clamp umbilical cord post-foaling	Reproduction Supply
Umbilical cord disinfectant	1% Chlorohexidine is best. Dip umbilical stump 2 to 3 times per day for 2 to 3 days	Medical Supply Reproduction Supply
Towels	Dry off and stimulate neonate	Department Store
Sodium Phosphate Enema	Administer to foal at 1-2 hours of life to help prevent meconium impactions and to stimulate bowel movement	Medical Supply Reproduction Supply
Colostrum (Brix) Refractometer	Monitor and evaluate mare's colostrum at time of foaling. Optimal value is >20%	Amazon.com Reproduction Supply
Foal IgG test IDEXX Snap-Test	Semi-quantitative and stall-side test to determine IgG status of the foal	Contact your veterinarian
Foal IgG Test ARS Kit for Densimeter	Quantitative test for IgG levels in the neonate. Requires ARS "Blue Box" and program to perform this test	Animal Reproduction Systems
Measuring cup (2 cup version)	Makes colostrum collection and measuring easier	Grocery/Department Store
Clean empty plastic soda bottles (20 oz)	For storage of good-quality colostrum for colostrum bank in freezer. ½ bottle is a good goal to store from each mare	Grocery Store Veterinary Supply
Gauze 4x4 or cheesecloth	Filter colostrum prior to storing colostrum	Medical Supply Reproduction Supply

60 ml Catheter-	Small dose-syringe for administration of	Medical Supply
Tip Syringe	colostrum or oral medications if directed by	
	your veterinarian	
Oxygen Tank and	E-tank and regulator for administration of	Medical Supply
Regulator	Oxygen to foal	
Oxygen tubing	Used to connect regulator to nasal insufflator	Medical Supply
Nasal insufflator	Soft-rubber tubing for nasal placement in foal.	Veterinarian Supply
	Recommended size: Kendall urethral catheter	
	18 FR x 16"	
Foal resuscitation	Ambu-bag and large-animal nose-cone	Veterinary Supply
kit		Reproduction Supply
Emergency	Post nearby and in foal kit for quick reference	
contact list	for emergencies	