

RUDDICK STABLES BREEDING SEASON SEMEN / BREEDING SHED INFORMATION

The purpose of this memo is to acquaint our customers with the procedures, which will be in effect at Ruddick Stables, Scipio, Indiana, for the breeding season. If you are not handling your mare's daily care during the breeding season, please forward this information to the person who will be responsible. *Please note: Information is subject to change without notice.*

Breeding Days – Our breeding season will open **February 15** and will continue through **July 1**. Stallions will be collected on **Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday ONLY**.

For all stallions – It is preferred requests for semen be made the day before a collection, but will be accepted up until **10:00 AM** (Eastern Time) on collection days. Messages may also be left if no one is available to take your call. If you reach our voice mail, please leave your information, including your phone number and we will confirm with you as soon as the message is received. The time for haul in insemination or semen pick up will be given to you when you call and confirm your mare. Call in times will be **STRICTLY** enforced and are non-negotiable. *Requests will be processed on a first come, first serve basis. It is to your advantage to contact us early!*

We discourage multiple inseminations of a mare within a cycle, but we realize that sometimes a mare does not ovulate as expected and may need to be bred a second time. Please be aware, however, that priority of semen will be given to mares being inseminated for the first time each cycle. We appreciate your co-operation! All accommodations for leftover semen will be made.

If a mare is barren and/or does not get in foal after two (2) breedings, we reserve the right to require a clean culture prior to attempting another breeding.

Shipped Semen:

- Overnight shipment is permitted to all locations with restrictions as noted below:
- Shipments will be done within the U.S. and will be shipped via Federal Express, at the mare owner's expense.
- Shipments will be done on **MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, AND FRIDAYS ONLY!** (Federal Express will need to be contacted for the exact Priority delivery time in your area and the availability of Saturday deliveries.) We recommend FedEx delivery whenever possible, as inclement weather delays many services during this period.
- Same day shipments are done, but there are additional expenses for making the necessary arrangements for courier pick up.
- All mares are limited to two (2) breedings per heat cycle.

NOTE: If your mares are being boarded at a farm other than your own, please be sure that they are notified of the above schedule.

SEMEN SHIPMENT CHARGES (Other charges from transient farm and overnight shipper may be incurred.)

Option 1 - Semen Pick up. Pick up of semen at Ruddick Stables or agreed location*. est. \$200.00

A representative of the farm where mare is located arrives at the breeding shed to pick up semen to be used for insemination.

* We will accept exchanges on boxes only if boxes are in usable condition, which will be determined at our discretion.

Option 2 - Semen Shipment or Delivery. Overnight shipment of semen is available via **Federal Express**, as above.

**Courier services are also available to deliver semen to its destination. Both of these services incur additional charges.

Includes collection & packaging, as above.

Note that courier rates are higher on holidays and weekends. All estimated fees are subject to change according to the service provider's actual billing.

Ruddick Stables would like to thank you for your patronage and if you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to call us at (765) 215-6525 or e-mail hoosiercharm@gmail.com.

Please provide 24 hour notice of arrivals or departures to by phone or e-mail.