

MACLEAY VALLEY VETERINARY SERVICES

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Semen Collection Information Sheet

This is an information sheet that explains our protocol for semen collection for chilled semen insemination. Successful insemination requires accurate timing & depends on semen collection, packaging & transport. In order to co-ordinate all parties involved in this process it is essential that you understand what we require.

Macleay Valley Veterinary Services manages The Mid North Coast Equine Reproduction Centre at Kempsey on the mid north coast of NSW. The facility is designed for the short term agistment of mares for insemination as well as collection of semen for chilled semen insemination.

Stallions are not agisted at The Mid North Coast Equine Reproduction Centre. On the day of collection the stallions are transported to The Centre for semen collection using one of our "jump" mares. Some of the stallions must travel for over an hour to be collected which poses time restrictions on the stallion owner who will need to get the stallion to us for collection before noon so that we can meet the couriers to allow overnight delivery.

In order for the staff of Macleay Valley Vets to ensure that your semen order is filled & freighted to meet your needs it is essential that you follow our protocols listed below. Please read them carefully & contact us if you have any questions. Failure to accurately follow the procedure will not only make your collection more expensive it will risk the late arrival of your mare's insemination dose & compromise conception rates.

Ordering a Semen Collection from Macleay Valley Vets

1. Contact Macleay Valley Vets and fill out a "semen collection booking form". This form can be found on the website.
2. Freight is normally with TNT. A freight route and quote will be organised once the collection form is received. If you prefer an alternate freight method we are happy to look into it before the mare is prepared. Please remember that organisation of freight can be time consuming & is not possible after the mare is ready for insemination.
3. Get your Vet or AI Technician to contact Macleay Valley Vets **before commencing preparation of the mare. This means BEFORE THE MARE IS BROUGHT INTO SEASON.**
4. Collections are possible Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays.
5. On the day of collection order may be placed by phone on 0429 329 097 ANYTIME AFTER 6AM.
6. **The phone call for semen collection and a faxed order (0265 631482) must be received before 9.00am**
7. Payment must be received before semen will be freighted. A quote will be possible once freight costs have been calculated.

If you have any further questions please contact Andrew Bennett at Macleay Valley Vets on 0265 62 7391 during business hours or send an email to andrew@mvvs.net.au.