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### **Mud Fever**

With this wet weather and set to get colder, it is prime season for Mud Fever. The cause is the bacteria Dermatophilus Congolensis and often mixtures of different bacterial species. They get into horse's legs when the skin is softened due to being wet and cold and then compromised by rubbing - and infection can get in.

Avoid hosing legs down: If you feel you must, use a dry, soft towel to make sure they warm up quickly.

Leave mud where it is: When you bring your horse in, put on padded wraps and leave to dry. Then brush off with soft bristled brush in the morning.

Use a barrier cream:

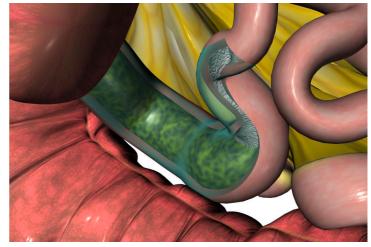
Pig oil, or a good quality nappy cream - we also offer a cream so just ask!

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# Help Prevent Impaction Colic

When the weather turns colder, horses must adapt to changes in feed and lifestyle, which can have a negative impact on their digestive health. Reduced water intake, lower quality forage and less movement may all contribute to a very



dangerous type of colic called impaction colic.

Impaction Colic is an accumulation of feed or other dried indigestible material that obstructs the horse's colon. More or less, this is constipation.

To help keep your horse happy and healthy in the colder months, follow this plan:

✓ Provide constant access to water. Make sure it is clean and fresh and provide electrolytes and a mineral block to help encourage your horse to drink. Be sure to monitor your horse's hydration level to ensure he is drinking enough; don't just count empty buckets.

Embrace the great outdoors. Try to maintain an exercise routine as much as you can. If your paddocks are in decent shape, turn your horse out when possible and provide accessible water. A horse with his winter coat or rug can live happily outside even in low temperatures, especially with shelter. If full-time turnout isn't an option, still try to keep your horse outside as much as possible.

☑ Keep them moving. Set up your paddock in a way that encourages your horse to walk around. Try spreading out piles of hay, treats and their water so they have to move around to get them, as this regular movement helps to keep your horse's digestion moving as it should. If time at pasture isn't feasible, seek an alternative like a few hours in an indoor or outdoor ring, where the footing will likely be better. The extra movement will help kickstart the digestive system and reduce boredom during these darker months.

Unfortunately, colic can happen no matter our best efforts. But thinking ahead to manage risks and keep your horse happy and in a healthy routine is the least we can do for our equine friends - even if it is cold, dark and wet!