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## QEC RECIPIENT MARE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR EMBRYO TRANSFER

Owner of embryos have the opportunity to lease Quipolly Equine Centre Owned Mares as Recipients at an agreed rate as outlined in the schedule of fees.

In the case that the recipient mare is supplied by QEC then:

1. QEC will remain the owner of the Recipient Mare at all times.
2. After the 45 day pregnancy test the recipient mare should be collected from QEC. Owners will be notified of a positive pregnancy test. Agistment fees shall apply from this point @\$22/day( incl GST)
3. QEC does guarantee that the recipient mare is pregnant at 45 days but **does not** guarantee the recipient mare will produce a live foal. Please remember that 4-6% of pregnancies will not be carried to term for various reasons, many of which cannot be determined. This is a risk that horse breeders take with each pregnancy and is the reason that QEC does not offer refunds on embryo's transferred. In the unlikely event of the recipient mare aborting the foetus please notify QEC as soon as possible that this has taken place.
4. Care of your pregnant recipient mare- Proper care of your recipient mare will maximise the chances of the birth of a healthy foal from a recipient mare.

Guidelines include:

- pregnant recipient mare should be kept in an area separate from other non-pregnant mares, young stock, and geldings. Other horses could transmit viruses or other diseases causing abortion.
  - recipient mares should not be put into stressful situations (long transport, changing of herd, nutritional stress, etc)
  - recipient mare should be kept in a paddock with good feed and/or supplemented feed as needed especially during late-term pregnancy
  - Tetanus/Strangles/Salmonella vaccination is recommended 6 weeks before projected foaling date
  - If mare is caslicked, she needs to be opened about 3-4 weeks before estimated foaling date
  - foaling paddocks should be clean and safe with proper supervision.
5. Recipient Return- QEC recipients should be returned after weaning the foal, approximately 18 months after the embryo transfer date. It is expected that the recipient will be returned in similar condition to which it left QEC. Upon readmission to QEC lessees of the recipient mare will be asked to fill out a short questionnaire regarding the performance and reproductive health of the recipient mare. Failure of return of QEC owned recipient mare will result in a further \$500 being charged to client.
  6. QEC will not be held liable for any accounts payable for veterinary fees, transport fees or agistment due for the recipient mare– this is the responsibility of the person leasing the recipient mare.

**I have read the information above and am aware of QEC policy regarding the leasing of QEC owned recipient mares. I am also aware of the expectations regarding mare management during pregnancy. Please sign below and fax back to QEC (02) 6746 2474**

**Signed**

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(owner)

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(date)