

## Absorbine® Equine Products FAQs

### Top 5 General Questions:

#### Can I use Vet Liniment / Vet Gel on myself?

Although we cannot recommend use of our products other than what the labels states, we do know that several of our customers have been using this on themselves for many years with wonderful results!

#### Does Absorbine get into the blood stream?

No, it does not get into the blood stream.

#### Can products be used on pregnant mares?

We cannot recommend use of Absorbine products on pregnant mares because we have not tested these products during pregnancy. We suggest consulting your Veterinarian.

#### Are your products guaranteed?

Yes, we stand behind all of our products 100%. Contact our Customer Service reps with any issues or questions by phone during core hours of operation, or via email anytime.

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### Absorbine® Veterinary Liniment

#### Does Absorbine Veterinary Liniment cause my horse to "test" in competition?

No, at the time of this post (January 2019) US Equestrian has advised us that when used in accordance with the label (i.e. externally), Absorbine liniments will not cause a horse to test for a banned substance.

#### Does Absorbine Veterinary Liniment contain DMSO?

No, it does not contain DMSO.

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### Absorbine® Bigeloil Quilted Poultice

#### What are the wraps and pads made of?

The powdered mixture contains Kaolin clay, Epsom salt and guar gum. This dry poultice mixture is encased in a fiber paper matrix. Guar gum is a binding and thickening agent; it creates a thin gel over the wraps after soaking, which helps them stay in place during application.

#### Do the pads and wraps have Bigeloil in them?

No, Bigeloil is the brand name, the poultice wraps and pads do not contain the same ingredients as the liniments.

#### How long do I soak the wraps and pads for before use?

20 seconds. You will know they are ready because the quilted squares will puff up slightly when the enclosed poultice is soaked through.

#### Are the hoof pads and leg wraps reusable?

No, they are single use only "once they are soaked they cannot be re-soaked for a second use, but they will

remain wet for at least 12 hours. Once the wraps begin to dry out the ingredients cannot be re-activated, and the Epsom salt will have dissolved.

**When would I use the leg wraps?**

You can use the leg wraps with cool water any time heat in the leg is of concern and with warm water any time stiffness is a concern. The leg wraps are ideal for use after a hard workout or any competition. Use them with ice cold water as an alternative to cold-hosing.

**When would I use the hoof pads?**

The hoof pads are a great alternative to hoof soaking. They can be used with warm or cold water depending on the situation, as you would when soaking a hoof. They are ideal for use after a hard workout or any competition, and can be used when stone bruising or an abscess is of concern.

**How do I use the leg wraps?**

First, submerge the wraps in warm or cold water for 20 seconds until the quilted pockets puff slightly, drain excess water back into the pail. Second, wrap the wet poultice wrap around the leg as you would a standing wrap, press against the leg for a snug fit – the wet poultice wrap will lightly stick to itself and stay in place after wrapping. Third, cover with standing wraps.

**How do I use the hoof pads?**

First, submerge the pad in warm or cold water for 20 seconds until the quilted pockets puff slightly, drain excess water back into the pail. Clean hoof thoroughly, then apply the wet pad to the sole of the hoof and cover with self-adhering bandage wrap. Finally, cover with duct tape.

**How long should the hoof pads and leg wraps stay on my horse?**

The wraps and pads typically remain wet for at least 12 hours and should be checked within 12 and 24 hours. Remove before turnout.

**What should I do with the used pads and wraps after removal?**

Simply throw them in the trash or compost pile.

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**Absorbine® CoolDown™ Natural Liniment****What is Absorbine® CoolDown™ Liniment Rinse?**

CoolDown is a natural, gentle liniments created by Absorbine® to soothe, pamper and relax your horse. The formula is based on a pleasing, aromatic blend of these 12 herbs and essential oils: Arnica Extract, Celery Root Extract, Canadian Willow Herb, Camphor, Aloe Vera Juice, Lavender Oil, Rosemary Oil, Clove Leaf Oil, Lobelia Oil, Peppermint Oil, Oil of Sassafras and Oil of Spike. Use it to gently clean, cool, relax and refresh your horse after a workout or anytime you want to pamper your horse.

**Does CoolDown remove dirt and sweat?**

When applied according to directions, it will help to rinse away dirt and sweat.

**Can this formula be used under wraps?**

Yes, it can safely be used under wraps, magnets and bandages.

**Can I use CoolDown in my own bath tub?**

No, these products are not labeled for human use, although the formula utilizes natural herbs and essential oils that can be found in some topically-applied human products.

**Is it OK to use CoolDown on dogs?**

No, these products have not been tested on dogs and so are not labeled for dogs at this time.

**Will CoolDown "test" in competition?**

No, at the time of this post (January 2019) US Equestrian has advised us that when used in accordance with the label (externally), Absorbine liniments will not cause a horse to test for a banned substance.

**Can the CoolDown be used on an area that is injured?**

Consult with your veterinarian before treating any injury.

**How does CoolDown compare to Absorbine® Veterinary Liniment (AVL) and Absorbine® Veterinary Liniment Gel (AVL Gel)?**

AVL and AVL Gel are topical analgesics intended to relieve muscle and joint pain. CoolDown is intended to soothe, calm and relax the horse after exercise and are designed to be gentle on a horse's sensitive skin.

**How does CoolDown compare to Sore No More?**

Like Sore No More, both versions use arnica, but the Absorbine® Botanicals™ products are more aesthetically pleasing, with relaxing aromatherapy and 12 herbs and essential oils.

**Absorbine® Flex+® Max Pellets****Why add Absorbine®Flex+ Max® to your horse's daily supplementation regimen?**

All the ingredients in Flex+ Max® have optimal bio-availability and palatability to the horse to support joint health and the connective tissue . All the ingredients are good for the whole horse, not just the joints. Upon maturation, cartilage starts to become brittle, synovial fluid loses its viscosity, and horses start to lose muscle mass. Horses reach maturity around the ages of 7 to 9 years. This is when many horses are reaching higher performance levels after many years of intense training. Flex+ Max® gives the body the building blocks to help support healthy joints, synovial fluid and connective tissue with Glucosamine HCl, Chondroitin Sulfate, Hyaluronic acid, MSM, and Boswellia.

**Another Joint Supplement? What makes Absorbine® Flex+ Max® different?**

Flex+ Max® is the one of the most palatable joint supplement on the market. 100% of the horses that try it, love it. It also has the highest levels of active ingredients compared to major competitors. It is available in both pellet and powder forms in 30 and 60 day supply.

**What is the difference between Flex+® and Flex+ Max®?**

Flex+ Max® has increased levels of glucosamines as well as several additional active ingredients such as chondroitin sulfate, hyaluronic acid and Boswellia.

Flex+ Max® Actives Ingredients Per Serving:

Actives	Flex+ Max® Pellets	Flex+
Glucosamine Sulfate		1,230 mg

Glucosamine HCl	10,000 mg	
N-Acetyl Glucosamine		390 mg
Methylsulfonylmethane (MSM)	5,000 mg	390 mg
Yucca		1,650 mg
Rice Bran	5.6 g	28.7 g
Chondroitin Sulfate	1,200 mg	
Hyaluronic Acid (HA)	150 mg	
Flaxseed	11 g	
Boswellia Serrata	210 mg	

**Where does the Glucosamine HCl in Flex+ Max® come from? (10,000 mg/scoop)**

The Glucosamine HCl in Flex + Max is derived from crustacean shells.

**How is the glucosamine in Flex+ Max® put into the product?**

Absorbine® Flex+ Max® Pellets are made with a special cold pellet process to ensure that the quality and efficacy of all of the ingredients are maintained. As a member of NASC and under our own quality guidelines, we are responsible for meeting the Guaranteed Analysis on the label. Before the ingredients are combined they are pre-inspected. After the product is made, each of the active ingredients are tested to prove that the levels stated on the label match the product inside. Not all manufacturers follow these standards but in order for us to proudly display the Absorbine® name on our products, we make sure that the quality processes and procedures are in place to exceed our customer's expectations.

**What does Absorbine® Flex+ Max® do?**

The optimized formula helps support joints and connective tissue and helps maintain strong bones. Research demonstrates that Omega 3's may help discomfort associated with normal daily exercise and activity.

**What forms does it come in?**

Absorbine® Flex+ Max® is available in 30 and 60 day buckets in both pellet and powder forms. Flex+ Max® Pellets are also available at SmartPak.

**Absorbine® Flex+ Max® contains 5,000 mg/scoop of MSM (Methylsulfonylmethane). Does MSM help with DJD (Degenerative Joint Disease)?**

As an animal health supplement, we can not make drug claims that the product is for DJD.

**What is MSM?**

MSM has been shown in independent studies to reduce inflammation in horses with DJD. MSM is known to aid in faster recovery from soft tissue injury. MSM works by offering sulfur donations to the body, which helps the body turn glucose into glycosaminoglycans, the building blocks of healthy connective tissue.

**Does Absorbine® Flex+ Max® test?**

No. Flex + Max does not test and can be used prior, during and after competition.

**How long will it be before I see results with Absorbine® Flex+ Max®?**

Flex+ Max® helps to support joint function. Horses should experience improved range of motion within 21 days.

**Does Absorbine® Flex+ Max® contain preservatives?**

Yes. Absorbine Flex+ Max® contains Calcium Propionate, an approved ingredient to maintain shelf life.

**Why is Boswellia Serrata in Absorbine® Flex+ Max®? (210 mg/scoop)**

Boswellia is a natural herbal ingredient that is known to support joint function and connective tissue.

**Should I be concerned about the calcium / phosphorus ratio with both rice bran and flax in Absorbine® Flex+ Max®?**

No. On average, horses consume about 25 lbs. of food daily. Based on the daily dosage of Flex+ Max® Pellets at 75g (2.6 oz.) it is a very small percentage and therefore will not affect the CP ratio that your horse consumes.

**What is the dosage?**

One serving scoop of Absorbine Flex+ Max® Pellets equals 75 grams. The serving scoop measures 75g of pellets to the top.

One serving scoop of Absorbine Flex+ Max® Powder equals 25 grams. The serving scoop in the powder measures 25g of powder to the top.

**Can Absorbine® Flex+ Max® be used with pregnant mares?**

Because this product has not been tested with pregnant mares or with foals, we recommend that you consult your veterinarian.

**What is the shelf life of Absorbine® Flex+ Max®?**

When stored in a cool dry place out of direct sunlight, in the manufacturer's original sealed container, the shelf life is 3 years.

**What if I am not satisfied with the product results, or if the horse will not eat it?**

Absorbine® stands behind all of our products. 100% satisfaction is guaranteed, including palatability. If you are not satisfied, please contact us. We gave Flex+ Max® pellets to some of our pickiest horses and they loved it.

**What are the benefits of Stabilized Rice Bran? (5.6 g per 75g pellet scoop)**

Absorbine Flex+Max contains rice bran which is high in Omega 3's and antioxidants. It provides improved muscle tone, coat condition and body mass. It will not make a horse "bulk-up". There are no fillers or sugar in Absorbine Flex+ Max®. When administered to horses in hard training, stabilized rice bran supports lean muscle mass and contribute to a great hair coat.

**What does Flaxseed do?**

Flaxseed is nature's richest source of omega-3 oils. Omega-3 oils are known to help discomfort associated with normal daily exercise and activity.

**What is Fenugreek?**

Fenugreek seed is used to flavor the product and was found in an independent study to be one of the most popular flavors by horses.

**Can I combine Absorbine® Flex+ Max® with other supplements?**

Yes

**What happens if I administer too much of the Absorbine® Flex+ Max®?**

If you are concerned about a supplement overdose or adverse reaction, please consult your veterinarian.

**Can dogs also be given Absorbine® Flex+ Max®?**

Yes. Please follow the directions on the label based on pound weight. For example, administer 3.7g (1/2 tsp) once daily for every 100 lbs. up to 1,200 lbs.

**Can people consume Absorbine® Flex+ Max®?**

Flex+ Max® is labeled for animal use only.

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**Leather Therapy®****In what order do I use these products?**

1. Wash
  2. Restorer & Conditioner
  3. Water Repellent\*
  4. Finish\*
- \*Optional

**I am an individual consumer who used to order directly, how do I order now?**

Please reference the "Where to buy" section of LeatherTherapy.com for online dealers and local tack stores. Some of the online retailers:

- SmartPakEquine.com
- HorseLoverz.com
- tateLineTack.com
- JeffersPet.com
- Horse.com
- DoverSaddlery.com
- SSTack.com
- EquestrianCollections.com
- KVSupply.com Also available at Tractor Supply and most local tack stores.

**I am a dealer who used to buy directly, how do I order now?**

Now you will need to order through a distributor. We sell through two tier distribution, which means we are not set up to sell to dealers directly.

Distributors carrying Leather Therapy:

- BCI
- Ivesco
- RJ Matthews
- AHI
- VSI
- Canadian Distributors: *Canadian Saddlery & Cavalier Saddlery*

**What is the difference between Horseman's One Step and Leather Therapy?**

Horseman's One Step is an easy all-in-one tack cleaning solution for everyday use at an economic price point. Leather Therapy products are for thorough leather cleaning and restoration. It is a complete line of high-end products for every aspect of leather care, including specialty items.

**How should I use the Restorer & Conditioner?**

Shake well before using.

Apply to clean leather with sponge. Use sparingly for best results.

Allow to dry thoroughly. Leather will absorb what it needs to restore suppleness. Drying time and number of applications will vary depending on thickness and dryness of leather.

Restorer & Conditioner may bring old, imbedded oils and soaps to the surface as it dries-simply wipe down with a damp sponge.

Regular maintenance with Restorer & Conditioner will inhibit mold & mildew from returning.

Test in a hidden area first. Do not use on suede. Restorer & Conditioner will not stain clothing.

**The Restorer & Conditioner liquids have separated, is it still ok to use?**

Yes, just shake it well before using.

**How do I clean synthetic leather?**

Use Leather Therapy Wash to clean synthetic leathers. Spray the Wash on a clean sponge or soft cloth for normal maintenance. Lightly spray the Wash on dirty leather but do not saturate, wipe away the excess Wash - no need to rinse. Test in a hidden area first.

**How do I clean suede?**

Use Leather Therapy Wash to a lightly damp sponge and apply evenly over the item. You can use a stiff-bristle brush to lift the nap as it dries if flattens. You can wash suede apparel in the washing machine using Leather Laundry Solution. Do NOT use Restorer & Conditioner or Leather Laundry Rinse with suede because of suedes porous nature.

**Are the laundry products ok to use in High Efficiency washing machines?**

Yes, all four laundry products are HE:

- Leather Laundry Solution
- Laundry Rinse and Dressing
- Saddle Pad and Blanket Wash
- Saddle Pad and Blanket Rinse

**Is it ok to use multiple products on leather at one time?**

Yes but always start with the Leather Therapy Wash to clean embedded dirt and grime from the leather. Be sure to let each application absorb and dry before applying the next layer. If you plan to use the Restorer & Conditioner, apply that second. If you plan to use either the Finish or the Water Repellant apply it third - use one or the other depending on your needs.

**How do I clean moldy leather?**

Start by cleaning the item with Leather Therapy Wash. Then follow with Leather Therapy Restorer & Conditioner, which inhibits mold and mildew and also conditions dry leather. Regular maintenance with Leather Therapy Restorer & Conditioner will inhibit mold and mildew from returning.

**How should I use the Leather Therapy products to care for new leather items?**

Condition the leather well with the Restorer/Conditioner, this may take two applications. Then simply maintain your leather with Leather Therapy Wash and use Restorer & Conditioner periodically.

**How do I clean suede?**

Since suede is very porous, use all products listed below sparingly.

Suede Clothing: Use Leather Laundry Solution.

Use a very small amount of Leather Therapy WASH on a slightly dampened sponge and, using a light "lifting" motion, clean the surface of the suede. Repeat as necessary. Rinse the sponge as it gets dirty. Be sure to test a small area first. After completion, brush up the nap with a bristled brush and let the item dry thoroughly.

To further protect the suede, ensure the item is completely dry and free of heavy soils or oils, then spray a very light coating of Water Repellant on the surface. Always test on a small hidden area first. Brush up nap with a soft bristled brush when it's thoroughly dry.

**Do not use Leather Finish on suede**, as it adds a sheen that does not work with the nap of suede.

**Do not use Restorer & Conditioner on suede** - because suede is so porous it will soak up the product and may darken the suede item.

**Do not use Laundry Rinse and Dressing on suede** because of suede's sponge-like properties.

### **How do the leather laundry solution and rinse work together?**

The Leather Laundry Solution is a pH neutral, biodegradable wash for leather, suede and sheepskin items - such as chaps and saddle pads. Rinse & Dressing is an anti-static leather conditioner, and can be used on all the same items *except for suede*.

The Leather Laundry allows leather to absorb the conditioning agents of the leather rinse as it is being cleaned.

The conditioning rinse is important when laundering very dry leathers. It may be hand or sponge applied directly to the smooth leather item as it dries to maintain suppleness and flexibility.

### **Important:**

- ☒ The Rinse & Dressing should not be used on suede because of its sponge-like properties
- ☒ Always use delicate, cold wash cycle - medium to high spin settings
- ☒ Make sure to dry leather away from direct heat or sun

**Care tip:** While the garment is drying, "pat" and gently stretch it once in a while to help maintain leather flexibility and provide a softer feel. When still damp put the garment on and continue to gently re-shape, especially important for chaps. Finish allowing the garment to dry on a towel-padded hanger.

### **How do I care for light hued leather, will the Restorer & Conditioner darken them?**

Leather Therapy Restorer & Conditioner is not petroleum based and therefore will not significantly darken leather. For very pale leathers, you can expect a slight deepening of the natural tones. Always test on a small hidden area first.

Restorer & Conditioner should be applied on the underside of the saddle panels to effectively condition the saddle while retaining the surface 'look'. Apply to tight areas with a clean, soft bristled paintbrush - be sure to clean the paintbrush with soap and water afterwards.

Leather Therapy Wash (non-darkening) should be used as the maintenance cleaner/conditioner to prevent sweat and dirt build-up on leather bridles and saddles. This product will not darken but it should be sprayed on a sponge so only a minimum amount of product is used.

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**Magic Cushion®** [Magic Cushion PDF](#)

### **What ingredients are used in Magic Magic Cushion®?**

Magic Cushion® uses natural ingredients; the formula is proprietary. [Ingredient Statement](#)

**Does Magic Cushion® contain Capsaicin?**

Any Magic Cushion® with WFY's label (Hooflex Magic Cushion®) does NOT contain capsaicin. We cannot vouch for the product made before we purchased.

**Do any of the Magic Cushion® ingredients enter the bloodstream?**

There are no ingredients that enter the bloodstream if used according to label directions.

**Can Magic Cushion® be used during competition?**

Yes. Magic Cushion® contains natural ingredients and can be used before, during and after competition.

**What is the difference between Magic Cushion® and Magic Cushion® Xtreme?**

Magic Cushion® Xtreme uses a higher concentration of ingredients than original Magic Cushion® to provide faster, stronger relief for performance horses.

**How does Magic Cushion® work?**

When Magic Cushion® is applied properly to a clean hoof it has a two-part effect. First, it provides a cushioning layer to relieve soreness. Secondly, the ingredients penetrate through the sole of the hoof and start reducing soreness, inflammation and reducing hoof heat within one hour.

**Does Magic Cushion® test?**

Magic Cushion® does not contain any ingredients that are on the USEF or FEI Prohibited Substances List. Magic Cushion® and Magic Cushion® Xtreme contain a proprietary blend of rosin, turpentine, natural leather fiber and iodine. Magic Cushion® Xtreme uses a different concentration of these ingredients than original Magic Cushion® to provide faster, stronger relief for performance horses.

Please note that W. F. Young, Inc., marketers of Absorbine® products, can only verify the ingredients for Magic Cushion® and Magic Cushion® Xtreme produced after we purchased the Magic Cushion® brand from parent company, Premier Equine Health, in late May 2012. All Magic Cushion® and Magic Cushion® Xtreme produced by W. F. Young, Inc. have the Absorbine® logo and HOOFLEX® on the label. We may not be able to verify the ingredients in any product manufactured prior to our acquisition.

**How is Magic Cushion® applied?**

To effectively apply Magic Cushion®, the product must come in direct contact with the sole. Use a hoof pick, and stiff brush if necessary, to remove all debris from the hoof. When applying, use an amount that will sufficiently cover the sole and sulci of the frog, ½ inch in depth. It is important to apply packing evenly over the entire sole. For optimum results, wrap the hoof and sole with self-adhering wrap or duct tape to keep the hoof packing in place. The product is very sticky, so wearing gloves is highly recommended.

**What is the best material to use for wrapping the hoof?**

Use a material which will allow liquid to be absorbed through the sole. A combination of wax paper and either vet wrap or duct tape works well. Absorbent materials such as diapers are ineffective, as they take liquid away from the sole.

**How long can Magic Cushion® be left on the hoof?**

If Magic Cushion® is being used to treat a disorder in the hoof, the application should be changed every 24 to 48 hours for maximum effectiveness. To prevent sore feet during an athletic event, Magic Cushion® can be applied the day before, during, and the day after the event. It is safe to leave Magic Cushion® in place under a pad and shoe for 6 to 8 weeks.

**Should Magic Cushion® be applied to the outside of the hoof?**

Magic Cushion® is only effective when used on the sole of the hoof. Applying elsewhere is not recommended.

**Can Magic Cushion® be used on pregnant and nursing mares, and on foals?**

The natural ingredients in Magic Cushion® should be safe for pregnant and nursing mares and foals. However, it's always best to ask your veterinarian before administering ANY products to broodmares and young horses.

**How is Magic Cushion® removed from the hoof?**

Any unwanted product can easily be removed by saturating the area with isopropyl alcohol.

**What can I use to remove Magic Cushion® from fur?**

As noted on our label the Magic Cushion® may be removed with isopropyl alcohol. Also, we have heard from some of our customers that mineral oil and baby oil will remove Magic Cushion® that gets stuck to the horse. If you use shavings after you apply, it will help to keep the Magic Cushion® in place.

**Does Magic Cushion® freeze?**

It's going to be very "stiff" but doesn't actually freeze.

**What sizes is Magic Cushion® available in?**

Magic Cushion® and Magic Cushion® Xtreme are available in four sizes to suit your hoof packing needs:

- ☒ 2 pound tub : 6-7 applications
- ☒ 4 pound tub: 12-14 applications
- ☒ 9 pound bucket: 30-32 applications
- ☒ 28 pound bucket: 100+ applications

**How much does Magic Cushion® cost?**

The cost per application varies depending on the size of the container, but on average each application costs about \$3.50.

**Where can I find more information on Magic Cushion®?**

For more information, please visit our website at [www.absorbine.com](http://www.absorbine.com).

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**Absorbine® Pro CMC®****How long before you see results using Pro CMC on a horse?**

Depending on your horse's condition, we have seen positive results in one to two weeks.

**Why do horses get ulcers?**

The primary reason so many horses have ulcers is traced to the modifications horse owners have placed on the way horses eat. Nature intended horses to graze free range all day or night, keeping food in the stomach at all times. For this reason, the horse's digestive system produces and secretes hydrochloric acid, pepsin and bicarbonate to help break down the ingested food around the clock. However, today we tend to feed 2-3 large grain based meals a day. Therefore, during long periods in between, potent acids are secreted and have nothing to digest. These acids then irritate the stomach lining.

**How does Pro CMC work?**

Pro CMC buffered formula containing calcium and magnesium soothes and coats the stomach lining protecting it from damaging stomach acids.

**Can I use Pro CMC to prevent my horse from getting ulcers?**

A daily regimen of ProCMC soothes and coats the stomach lining. Using ProCMC daily will not interfere with your feeding regimen and can help protect the horse's digestive tract against irritation due to stress, relocation training, weaning or drug therapies.

**Can a horse with ulcers use this product?**

Yes, it is safe to use this product.

**After starting ProCMC, how long before I see improvement?**

Pro CMC soothes and coats. Results are usually seen within one to two weeks. Typical symptoms of ulcers are:

- That your horse just isn't acting right
- Doesn't seem to feel good
- Changes in the way your horse eats
- Loss of weight
- Change in attitude

Many horses suffering with ulcers do not show any symptoms. Always alert your veterinarian if you suspect stomach distress. Only your veterinarian will be able to determine for certain if your horse has ulcers and their particular state or condition.

**How does the formula of ProCMC compare to Gastro-Guard?**

ProCMC is a calcium & magnesium feed supplement that coats and soothes.

ProCMC is a nutritional supplement, while Gastro-Gard is a drug.

**My veterinarian has been giving Tagamet to my horse; will Pro CMC work the same way?**

No. ProCMC is a feed supplement that soothes and coats. We cannot recommend changing your veterinarian's recommended treatment. Contact your veterinarian before changing the method of treatment.

**Zantac worked really well on my horse, he had always been bothered with ulcers, will Pro CMC work as well?**

Pro CMC is a feed supplement that coats and soothes. Unfortunately we cannot make comparisons with other products. We recommend you contact your veterinarian.

**How does Pro CMC work compared to Pepto Bismal?**

Pro CMC is a feed supplement that coats and soothes. ProCMC is formulated for horses. You need to feed 1-2 Qts of Pepto daily to a horse. ProCMC is 1-4oz daily.

**Can I use Pro CMC instead of my prescription?**

We cannot recommend changing your veterinarian's recommended treatment. However, we do recommend you contact your veterinarian. Your veterinarian is the best person to decide your horse's dietary and supplement changes.

**Is it OK to use Pro CMC in conjunction with a prescription?**

We cannot recommend changing your veterinarian's recommended treatment. However, we do recommend you contact your veterinarian before adding to his or her regimen of treatment.

**I'm not sure if my horse has an ulcer could you tell me the signs and symptoms of ulcers in horses?**

- Your horse just isn't acting right
- Doesn't seem to feel good
- Change in the way your horse eats
- Loss of weight

#### ☐ Change in attitude

Many horses with ulcers do not show any symptoms. Always alert your veterinarian if you suspect stomach distress. Only your veterinarian will be able to determine for certain if your horse has ulcers.

#### **What happens if you overdose your horse with Pro CMC?**

Pro CMC is safe and effective when used as directed. Administer this product as directed on the label.

#### **What does propylparaben and methylparaben do?**

They are preservatives and are present in small amounts in the formula

#### **What is the source of calcium and magnesium in ProCMC?**

Calcium is a mineral & comes from calcium carbonate. Magnesium is a mineral & comes from magnesium oxide.

#### **What is the flavor of ProCMC?**

Pro CMC is flavored with natural apple flavor.

#### **What are the ingredients in Pro CMC?**

Calcium Carbonate, Magnesium Oxide, Xanthan Gum, Natural Apple Flavor, Methylparaben Propylparaben, Water, Propylene Glycol, FD&C Red No. 40, and FD&C Blue No.1.

#### **What are the concentrations?**

Guaranteed Analysis: Calcium (Min.) 1.5%, Calcium (Max.) 2.0%, Magnesium (Min.) 1.5%, Total Solids (Min.) 8.0%. Each ounce supplies 0.45 g of Calcium and Magnesium.

#### **How long will a Gallon of ProCMC last?**

Normally feeding 1 ounce twice a day, one-Gallon (64 oz.) should last about 32 days, a little more than 1 month.

#### **What happens if my horse doesn't eat Pro CMC mixed in his feed?**

Sometimes finicky horses need to slowly get used to supplements added to their feed. It may be necessary to add small amounts gradually for a few days until your horse gets used to the flavor.

#### **My horse doesn't like anything in his feed - what options do I have.**

Pro CMC can be administered by a dose syringe: placing the oral syringe on the back of the horses tongue, and dispense the contents.

#### **Does Pro CMC come in any other form other than a liquid?**

No, Pro CMC is only available in a palatable liquid suspension.

#### **How is Pro CMC manufactured?**

Pro CMC is formulated with the highest quality standardized USP (United States Pharmacopoeia) and food-grade ingredients and is manufactured with the utmost regard to sanitary conditions under recognized good manufacturing practice. This care is taken so we can guarantee to our customers the best possible product, which is what the horse world has come to expect from Absorbine.

#### **Can Pro CMC be used with pregnant mares?**

Pro CMC is safe and effective when used as directed. Contact your veterinarian for recommendation. {As long as the dosage is followed, it's OK.}

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## **Absorbine® ShowSheen® 2-In-1 Shampoo**

### **How is ShowSheen® 2-In-1 Shampoo different from other shampoos on the market?**

ShowSheen® 2-in1 Shampoo + Conditioner is a shampoo plus conditioner that deep cleans and revitalizes hair all in one easy step. ShowSheen® 2-in1 Shampoo + Conditioner is specially developed for the sensitive skin of horses and is sulfate and paraben free. The shampoo is enhanced with pro-vitamins to nourish the coat and strengthen the hair.

### **Is ShowSheen® Shampoo approved for use on all animals?**

It is safe to use for your horse, dog, cow, llama and camel.

### **Is ShowSheen® 2-In-1 Shampoo approved for use on cats?**

This product is not labeled for use on cats.

### **Can I use ShowSheen® 2-In-1 Shampoo on my own hair?**

ShowSheen® 2-In-1 Shampoo is not labeled for human use. However, the ingredients in ShowSheen® 2-IN-1 Shampoo can be found in human shampoo's.

### **Why are there no directions for use on people?**

This product was developed for use on horses, dogs, ponies, cattle, llamas and camels.

### **Do I need to avoid the saddle area when using ShowSheen® 2-In-1 Shampoo?**

No, the conditioners in the shampoo do not produce slippage.

### **What is the best way to get a shiny coat?**

For best results, shampoo and rinse the animal thoroughly. Remove excess water with a sweat scraper. Follow up with ShowSheen® hair polish to coat and stroke hair flat with palm of hand, a towel or a fine brush.

### **Can I use this to detangle a tail?**

ShowSheen® 2-in1 Shampoo + Conditioner is a shampoo plus conditioner that deep cleans and revitalizes hair all in one easy step. ShowSheen® 2-in1 Shampoo + Conditioner is specially developed for the sensitive skin of horses and is sulfate and paraben free. The shampoo is enhanced with pro-vitamins to nourish the coat and strengthen the hair. It is not designed as a detangler. Use the new ShowSheen® Mane & Tail detangler for this purpose.

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## **Absorbine® ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener**

### **What is Absorbine ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener?**

ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener is a fast-acting spot remover enhanced with Oxi-Lift Stain erasers for color-safe.

### **How do I use ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener?**

Spot clean/ spray on the stain or discolored area. Allow to sit for a few minutes and then rinse off. The oxi-stain lifters lift the stain up As the hair dries it whitens more.

### **Do I need to rinse my horse with water after using ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener?**

Yes.

**What is in ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener?**

The ingredients are listed on the back of the label and include green tea and fruit extracts.

Ingredients include:

*Water, Sodium C14-16 Olefin Sulfonate, Urea, Hydrogen Peroxide, Cocamidopropyl Betaine, Cocamide DEA, Panthenol, Hydroxyethylcellulose, Phosphoric Acid, Meadowfoam Delta Lactone, Sodium Stearate, Polysorbate 20, DMDM Hydantoin, Fragrance, Hexapeptide-11, Betaine, Hexylene Glycol, Camellia Sinensis (Green Tea) Leaf Extract, Pyrus Malus (Apple) Fruit Extract, Citrus Medica Limonum (Lemon) Fruit Extract, and Saccharum Officinarum (Sugar Cane) Extract*

**Is ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener safe to use on other pets?**

Yes, ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener is safe to use on dogs, horses, llamas, cattle etc.

**Is ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener safe to use on myself?**

There are no harmful ingredients in Miracle Groom Touch-ups, so if you wish to use them on yourself, there should be no problem.

**Can I clean my whole horse with ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener?**

Yes, but using the Stain Remover in combination with the ShowSheen® 2-in-1 shampoo provides the best results.

**Will ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener clean manure, grass, sweat lines/marks, urine splash, latigo?**

Yes, ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener has been shown to be effective on all of the above during field test trials.

**Can I use ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener on any color horse?**

Yes, ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener will effectively clean any color horse, brightening the coat. It does not cause fading.

**Can I use ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener on foals?**

Yes, there are no harmful ingredients in ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener.

**Can I use ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener on pregnant mares?**

Yes, there are no harmful ingredients in ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener.

**Will ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener dry out my horse's skin or coat?**

No, ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener contains Meadowfoam to help condition the skin.

**My horse has very sensitive skin; will ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener affect him?**

No, ShowSheen® Stain Remover & Whitener contains Meadowfoam to help condition the skin.

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**Absorbine® ShowSheen® Hair Polish & Detangler - New & Improved****How is ShowSheen® New & Improved different from the original ShowSheen®?**

ShowSheen® Hair Polish & Detangler contains the same ingredients as original ShowSheen® with the addition of Pro-Vitamins to nourish the coat and Silk Proteins to strengthen the mane and tail.

**Is ShowSheen® approved for use on all animals?**

It is safe to use for your horse, dog, cow, llama and camel

**Is ShowSheen® approved for use on cats?**

This product is not labeled for use on cats.

**Can I spray ShowSheen® directly on my skin?**

ShowSheen® is not labeled for human use. However, the ingredients in ShowSheen® can be found in various cosmetic products.

**Why are there no directions for use on people?**

This product was developed for use on horses, dogs, ponies, cattle, llamas and camels.

**Can I use ShowSheen® in conjunction with fly repellents?**

Yes, ShowSheen® will not interfere with fly repellent action.

**Do you make ShowSheen® in a refill size?**

ShowSheen® is available in 16oz, 32oz sprayer and 32oz refill, gallon( 128oz) and a 15oz continuous spray.

**How often can I apply ShowSheen®?**

As often as needed.

**Is the product oily or greasy?**

No. ShowSheen® leaves a nice shine on the horse and will not gather dust. In fact the ingredients in ShowSheen® help to repel dust.

**Do I need to avoid the saddle area when using ShowSheen®?**

Yes. ShowSheen® leaves a high polish shine and slippage may occur.

**Can I apply ShowSheen® to the horse's face?**

Yes, you may apply ShowSheen® to the horse's face; however, avoid application in and around the eyes and mucous membranes.

**What is the youngest horse or dog you can apply ShowSheen® to? Foals? Puppies?**

ShowSheen® can be used on horses and dogs at any age.

**Are there VOC's in the new aerosol container?**

No, there are no VOC's (volatile organic carbons) in the new aerosol container. We actually call the container a non-aerosol aerosol. The liquid is contained in a plastic bag within the can and surrounded by pressurized nitrogen. The pressure is what makes the product come out when you press the sprayer.

**What is the best way to get a shiny coat?**

For best results, shampoo and rinse the animal thoroughly. Remove excess water with a sweat scraper. Apply ShowSheen® to coat and stroke hair flat with palm of hand, a towel or a fine brush.

**How do I use this to detangle a tail?**

To detangle a tail, apply ShowSheen® to the tail and hand stroke into the tail. Allow the tail to dry before combing. When dry, start at the bottom of the tail with a comb and slowly work your way up. The snarls should easily detangle.

**Can I braid or band with ShowSheen®?**

ShowSheen® is not designed for braiding or banding.

**How often should I apply?**

ShowSheen® produces the finest showring shine that lasts a full week. You may use it as often as you find necessary.

**Can I use ShowSheen® on my dog?**

Yes

**Aerosol Container****Are there VOC's in the new aerosol container?**

No, there are no VOC's (volatile organic carbons) in the new aerosol container. We actually call the container a non-aerosol aerosol. The liquid is contained in a plastic bag within the can and surrounded by pressurized nitrogen. The pressure is what makes the product come out when you press the actuator.

**Can the container be recycled?**

Yes, the metal can will be accepted by recycling centers.

**Is there any special package handling that I should be aware of?**

Yes, please be aware that the contents are under pressure. Do not puncture or incinerate. Store in a cool area above 32°F and below 120°F. Protect from freezing.

**Do I need to shake the container?**

No

**Is the container refillable?**

No

**Is the product inside the same as the non-aerosol?**

Yes

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**Absorbine® UltraShield® EX****Can UltraShield EX be used on goats or other livestock?**

We can only recommend this product for the species listed on the label, which are horses, ponies and foals over 12 weeks of age, and dogs and puppies over 12 weeks of age. We recommend [Flys-X For Livestock](#), which is approved for goats and several other species of livestock.

**Is UltraShield EX oil or water based?**

All UltraShield products are water based. They do have repellent and conditioning oils suspended in the water base.

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**Absorbine® UltraShield® EX Aerosol Container**

**Are there VOC's in the new aerosol container?**

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**Is the container refillable?**

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**Is the product inside the same as the non-aerosol?**

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**Absorbine® UltraShield Fly Mask**

**Are these masks UV rated, do they protect from the sun?**

Yes, our masks have special materials and coatings to give them the highest UV rating of any over the counter masks at 80%. New Removable Nose model lengthens the protection over pink or sensitive noses.

**Are the masks guaranteed?**

Yes, UltraShield Fly Masks are guaranteed to last a full year or your money back.

**What sizes are available?**

- **Cob:** for Cob, Large Pony, Small Horse\*
  - **Horse:** for Average Horse, Small Warmblood\* - available with removable nose
  - **Warmblood:** for Warmblood, Small Draft, Draft Cross\*
  - All with & without ears
  - \*For best results, follow your horse's halter size
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**Absorbine® UltraShield® Green**

**How is UltraShield® Green different from other natural fly sprays?**

UltraShield Green has been clinically tested and proven by an independent university study that it works up to 8 hours.

It contains 7 natural oils. It is safe for your horse, your dog and for you.

**Is this approved for use on all animals?**

It is safe for your horse and your dog.

**Is this approved for use on cats?**

No, cats lick themselves and they may ingest geraniol, which comes from the geranium plant and is toxic to cats.

**Does UltraShield Green repel Ticks?**

Yes, it is proven to repel ticks including Black Legged or Deer Ticks.

**Can I spray this directly on my skin?**

Ultrasield Green is not labeled for human use, but the natural oils are eco safe for the entire family and the environment.

**Why are there no directions for use on people?**

This product is specifically marketed in the tack shops for use on horses, dogs, and ponies.

**Can I use this in conjunction with other chemical based sprays?**

Yes, but there is no need. Ultrasield Green is effective for up to 8 hours.

**How long is the product supposed to last?**

Up to 8 hours

**Can I use ShowSheen with this product?**

Absolutely.

**Do you make this in a refill size?**

Not at this time, but stay tuned.

**How often can I apply this product?**

As often as needed. The product is effective for up to 8 hours, but depending on the fly population and weather, re-application may be necessary.

**Is the product oily or greasy?**

No. The product leaves a nice shine on the horse and will not gather dust. The 7 oils are great for conditioning your horse's coat.

**Do I need to avoid the saddle area when using this product?**

No. There are no silicones in this product. Slippage will not occur.

**What does Eco-Safe mean?**

Environmentally friendly alternative. Ultrasield Green is an environmentally friendly alternative to chemical fly sprays.

### **How does this compare to SuperShield Green?**

Supershield Green is not labeled as a fly repellent. Ultrashield Green meets all of the EPA's requirements as a natural fly repellent.

### **Can Ultrashield Green be used with Fly Predators?**

Yes.

### **Can I apply Ultrashield Green to the horse's face?**

Yes, you may apply Ultrashield Green to the horse's face, but do not get into the eyes.

### **Can I apply Ultrashield Green in conjunction with other fly products?**

Yes, Ultrashield Green may be used in conjunction with other fly products.

### **What is the youngest horse you can apply to? Foals? Puppies?**

We recommend that you wait to use Ultrashield Green until the baby is at least 3 months of age.

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## **Absorbine® Bute-Less®**

### **What is Bute-Less®?**

Bute-Less is an alternative to the commonly used "Bute" (phenylbutazone) for relieving pain and utilizes botanical ingredients. Two of the main ingredients are Devils Claw and Yucca. Honey (0.05%) is another ingredient.

**Devil's Claw** is a natural herbal anti-inflammatory and analgesic. Harpagoside and harpagide are generally considered the primary active components of Devil's Claw. Although it is unclear precisely how Devil's Claw functions, it is generally believed to help alleviate pain and reduce inflammation. There are several placebo controlled trials showing benefit. It has been shown to be an effective replacement for phenylbutazone ("bute") in horses and ponies.

**Yucca** contains saponins (a precursor of steroids) and polyphenols. Research suggests that yucca has anti-inflammatory and antioxidant properties.

### **At what age can Bute-Less® be given to a horse?**

The label states: "Not to be used by pregnant or nursing mares." Since it shouldn't be given to nursing mares, the inference is that it is not suitable for young horses that are still nursing.

### **How do I choose between the different forms of Bute-Less®?**

For Daily Pain Relief:	Bute-Less® <b>Pellets</b> - 350 mg of Devils Claw and 2mg Vitamin B12
For Daily Chronic Relief:	Bute-Less® <b>Paste</b> - 726 mg of Devils Claw and 0.9mg Vitamin B12
For Acute Pain Relief:	Bute-Less® <b>Liquid</b> - 954 mg of Devils Claw and 1.9mg Vitamin B12

Also, some horses will consume certain forms of a supplement more readily than other forms.

### **What is the difference between Bute-Less and Bute-Less Performance?**

The active ingredients are different in each formula. Bute-Less uses Devil's Claw, Bute-Less Performance uses an optimized and patented form of curcumin (from Turmeric) called Longvida SD.

Bute-Less Performance is show safe, regular Bute-Less is not. Bute-Less performance uses a patented ingredient developed by neuroscientists and has more testing, though regular Bute-Less has been on the market longer.

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### Absorbine® Maximize - Ingredients and Their Benefits

INGREDIENT	GUARANTEE (PER 2 OZ )	BENEFITS
CREATINE	2,800 MG	ENHANCE ENERGY; BUILD MUSCLE; MADE FROM A COMBINATION OF 3 AMINO ACIDS - ARGININE, GLYCINE AND METHIONINE; MAIN FUNCTION TO PROVIDE ENERGY TO MUSCLE {INCREASE THE ENERGY OF MUSCLES BY INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ATP (ADENOSINE TRIPHOSPHATE), THE INITIAL FUEL FOR MUSCLE CONTRACTIONS}
LYSINE	1,900 MG	ONE OF THE ESSENTIAL AMINO ACIDS THAT THE BODY NEEDS FOR BUILDING PROTEINS; {ESSENTIAL MEANS THE BODY CANNOT CREATE IT, SO IT MUST COME FROM FOOD OR SUPPLEMENTS}; NEED LYSINE FOR PROPER COLLAGEN PRODUCTION; COLLAGEN IS THE ABUNDANT PROTEIN THAT MAKES UP THE BONES, CARTILAGE, LIGAMENTS AND TENDONS; ALSO HELPS THE IMMUNE SYSTEM BY AIDING IN THE PRODUCTION OF ANTIBODIES.
METHIONINE	600 MG	ONE OF THE ESSENTIAL AMINO ACIDS THAT THE BODY NEEDS FOR BUILDING PROTEINS; ESSENTIAL FOR THE PRODUCTION OF CREATINE; NECESSARY FOR THE ENERGY NEEDED FOR SHORT, INTENSE WORK, AND TO PROTECT THE MUSCULAR SYSTEM.
GAMMA ORYZANOL (RICE BRAN EXTRACT)	500 MG	A MIXTURE OF FERULIC ESTERS AND PLANT STEROLS DERIVED FROM CORN, RICE AND BARLEY COME TOGETHER TO FORM GAMMA ORYZANOL; HELPS TO BUILD MUSCLE; STIMULATES THE RELEASE OF "FEEL GOOD" ENDORPHINS; STRONG ANTIOXIDANT, PREVENTING TISSUE DAMAGE DURING WORKOUTS
CALCIUM PROPIONATE		PRESERVATIVE TO KEEP PRODUCT FRESH
CHERRY FLAVOR		FLAVORING TO MAKE PALATABLE
DEHYDRATED YEAST CULTURE		IMPROVES DIGESTION; PROBIOTIC
DIATOMACEOUS EARTH		THE REMAINS OF MICROSCOPIC ONE-CELLED PLANTS (PHYTOPLANKTON) CALLED DIATOMS THAT LIVED IN THE OCEANS AND LAKES; NATURAL WORMER; IMPROVES APPETITE; IMPROVES WEIGHT GAIN

DRIED FERMENTATION PRODUCTS		INCLUDES DRIED LACTOBACILLUS ACIDOPHILUS PRODUCT, DRIED LACTOBACILLUS LACTIS PRODUCT, DRIED LACTOBACILLUS CASEI PRODUCT, DRIED ENTEROCOCCUS DIACETYLACTIS PRODUCT, DRIED BIFIDOBACTERIUM BIFIDUM PRODUCT AND DRIED ENTEROCOCCUS FAECIUM PRODUCT PROBIOTICS; SUPPORT DIGESTIVE HEALTH AND IMMUNE SYSTEM
HYDRATED SODIUM CALCIUM ALUMINOSILICATE		ANTI-CAKING AGENT
KELP MEAL		FROM THE SEA PLANT ASCOPHYLLUM NODOSUM; CONTAINS OVER 100 MICRONUTRIENTS, FULFILLING THE REQUIREMENTS IN ANIMALS FOR TRACE ELEMENTS OFTEN LACKING IN PASTURES; IMPROVES FEED
MINERAL OIL		SMALL AMOUNT <1% FOR MIXING AID; WILL AID IN DIGESTION
RICE BRAN		CONTAINS ANTIOXIDANTS USED TO FIGHT OFF FREE-RADICALS PRODUCED WHEN MUSCLES WORK; HELPS TO PREVENT MUSCLE DAMAGE
SILICON DIOXIDE		PLAYS SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN BONE DEVELOPMENT; HELPS MAINTAIN HEALTHY BONES AND JOINTS

## The Missing Link Equine Supplements

### What results can I expect for my horse?

The Missing Link was designed to improve overall animal health, rather than to address specific medical conditions. Animal owners have reported many benefits from using The Missing Link after more conventional interventions, such as hormone, thyroid and cortisone therapies, failed to improve the conditions being treated. The most visible improvements cited are in the skin and hair. In older animals, less joint stiffness and increased energy levels are often observed within 30-60 days after the beginning of daily supplementation. More specific conditions that have been reported by our customers as improved or alleviated are outlined below.

#### *In Horses:*

- o Sheen on coat
- o Unseasonal shedding and dandruff
- o Respiratory distress
- o Poor hooves and lameness
- o Joint stiffness and arthritis
- o Sand colic
- o Tie-up tendency
- o Energy level and stamina
- o Recovery time in performance and working animals

### What is the correct dose of The Missing Link for the average size horse?

The average size horse weighs approximately 500 to 1,000 pounds and should receive 40 grams or 1/3 cup of The Missing Link. A 5 pound bag of The Missing Link should last approximately two months.

### How do I feed The Missing Link to my horse?

For hay, grain and pelleted food, lightly spray water on top of the food and then sprinkle The Missing Link on the top surface. Horses also like The Missing Link on their favorite moistened snack such as apples.

### GLOSSARY

<b>Antibacteria</b>	A substance that destroys bacteria or suppresses their growth or reproduction.
<b>Antifunga</b>	A substance that destroys fungus or suppresses fungal growth.
<b>Antimicrobia</b>	Killing microorganisms, or suppressing their multiplication or growth.
<b>Antiseptic</b>	A substance that inhibits the growth and development of microorganisms.
<b>Fetlock</b>	The "ankle" joint of each leg.
<b>Pastern</b>	The sloping bone in the lower leg which connect to the fetlock.
<b>Rainrot</b>	A fungus infection which occurs in wet conditions. Painful skin inflammation caused by the bacteria dermatophilus congolensis. Characteristics of rainrot include crusty patches of skin and hair loss. Also known as rain scalds.
<b>Ringworm</b>	Contagious fungal disease characterized by small circular patches in which the hair falls out. Also know as girth itch when found in the girth area.
<b>Scratches</b>	Infection of the skin which is causing scabby, oozing sores and inflammation on the back of the pasterns. This is also known as Mud Fever or Grease Heel.

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