

SILVER WHINNYS® WOUND/SORE PROTECTION INSTRUCTIONS

When using Silver Whinnys to protect wounds, scratches, mud fever, summer sores, or dew poisoning on the legs this protocol regarding the use of our socks will guide you to the greatest success. PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE BACK OF THE INSTRUCTIONS PAGE "PUTTING ON SILVER WHINNYS".

With wound/sore protection It is important to change the socks every day with clean socks. The silver in the socks can finally be over-whelmed by the dirt in the environment so changing them every 24 hours will keep the silver at optimum power in the socks.

For acute dermatitis or broad surface wounds, change the socks twice daily, if possible. Read the article on our website "THE FOUR STAGES OF HEALING" in "ARTICLES" on the main menu bar. If in doubt about the appearance of a wound, call your vet.

To avoid dragging the socks over very painful or large wound areas, place a telfa pad over the wound and tape lightly before you begin to put on or take off the socks. Once the sock is on, adjust the sock on the leg. Remove the telfa pad and gently lay the sock over the damaged tissue. Repeat this process when removing the socks and you will avoid any damage to the new granulation tissues. If any wound surface is sticking to the socks, spray clean warm water on the area and give the socks a few minutes to gently release from the tissue. Then place the telfa pad over the wound and continue to remove the sock and replace with a clean sock.

Along with pain, there may be a itching, a side effect of healing. If the socks aren't staying up the horse might be rubbing the socks to relieve the itching. Call us if you need help with ideas for keeping the socks up and over the sores, wounds or injury. It may take some extra taping. We recommend electrical tape as it is inexpensive and does not leave adhesive on the socks. Contact us for instructions on how to tape. Your vet will also have a medication to relieve the itching.

Be careful around your horse if he is not safely tolerating wound management. Call us. We have Silver Whinnys in other forms of bandaging that can be utilized more safely until pain is alleviated. Your horse may need medications to relieve the pain when your horse is putting you at risk by changing the socks.

Your veterinarian can help with medications to manage pain and itching and today, these medications do not slow healing.

SERIOUS MEDICAL EMERGENCIES REQUIRING IMMEDIATE VETERINARY ATTENTION:

Symptoms

1. Sudden and unexpected swelling
2. A high fever
3. Pain, to touching or palpating
4. A three legged lameness, where the horse can't put the leg down on the ground and is avoiding your touching him.

Your response in minutes , NOT hours can make a difference between permanent damage or a positive recovery outcome for your horse.

If you are riding your horse, remove the socks unless you can put a performance boot over the socks to maintain their position on the legs. Check the position of the sock often as you ride. Change the socks with clean socks after a ride or exercise.

Use the plastic bags provided in the packaging to apply the socks. Do not use the same bags more than once as you would surgical gloves. This provides clean application of the socks. "Hefty Baggies" one-gallon size bags work best. They come on a roll and are very inexpensive. Recycle Please!

Call us at 850-907-5724 or e-mail to soxforhorses@gmail.com if you have any difficulties, Include your phone number.