

### **Quarantine protocol**

### ONLY ENTER QUARANTINE AREA/YARD WITH PERMISSION OF YARD MANAGER

#### When entering quarantine area:

- Use designated entry point.
- Only take in things you will need. Anything that comes back out will need disinfecting i.e., caps, jewellery, mobile phones etc
- DO NOT ENTER UNLESS YOU ARE WEARING CLEAN OVERALLS. Make sure they are the right size for you. They need to cover your clothes underneath, including shirt cuffs and bottoms of trousers.

# When in the quarantine area:

- Only use allocated quarantine tools and equipment.
- Limit contact with horses in quarantine. Strangles spreads through touching.
- When cleaning out the horse's water container, tip any remaining water into a bucket and add neat disinfectant to it before disposing of it as it will be contaminated.
- Feed bowls need to be washed out with neat disinfectant after each use.
- Any nasal or abscess discharge on the floor needs to be covered with neat disinfectant before washing or sweeping away.
- Ensure you follow the correct procedures for the disposal of muck from quarantine yard.
- ALL equipment, including empty hay nets and head collars, needs to be dipped and thoroughly soaked in disinfectant before removing from the area.

# On exit of the quarantine area:

- Use designated exit point.
- Remove your overalls at the quarantine area exit point. Avoid rubbing your clothes on the outside of the
  overalls. Peel overalls off inside out and do not turn back the correct way until they have been
  disinfected and washed. Place the dirty overalls in the provided disinfectant solution ensuring they are
  completely submerged.
- Before leaving the quarantine area, disinfect hands by using hand sanitiser and dip your boots in the
  disinfectant provided to cover the sole and exposed part of the boot. Disinfectant will not work if it is
  contaminated with mud or muck, so make sure dips are clean and any mud on boots or equipment is
  cleaned off before disinfecting.
- Foot and overall dips will be changed every two days by the yard manager or allocated person. Check disinfectant instructions to see dilution rates.