



Mas Ass Acres

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REMADE IN THE SHADE "RITS" 2006 Breeding Contract Cooled Semen Contract for Mares

- 1) Rits' 2006 stud fee for Mares is \$450. This includes a \$300 Non-refundable Booking Fee. Additionally, there is a Collection/Shipping Fee of \$150. All fees must be paid in full before the first order of semen is sent. If subsequent shipments are necessary, a Collection/Shipping Fee of \$150 must be paid prior to each additional shipment.
- 2) We cannot ship semen on Saturdays or Sundays. The Mare's ovulation must be timed to fit this schedule. It is imperative for the Mare owner to coordinate the Mare's cycle with Mas Ass Acres (MAA). It is necessary on my end to have a Jennet cycling with your Mare.
- 3) A breeding soundness exam is required, certified by a qualified veterinarian. This exam must include, but not limited to, a recent (within 30 days) negative culture and a uterine biopsy (not necessary for maiden Mare). Said certificate is to be issued no later than 5 (five) days prior to date semen is ordered. This can be waived and Mare Owner accepts full responsibility for the Mare's conception.
- 4) ***Do you waive the above paragraph? Yes or No (circle one)***
- 5) Two photos, one of each side, are required for colored Mare and one photo of a solid Mare.
- 6) **ALL FEES, PHOTOS AND PAPERWORK ARE DUE PRIOR TO ANY SHIPMENT.**
- 7) Mare Owner must get permission from MAA prior to inducing heat cycles and must coordinate all semen shipments in advance to ensure the availability of semen at MAA.
- 8) MAA must be notified when Mare comes into heat.
- 9) Mare Owner must notify MAA 48 hours before anticipated time of ovulation.
- 10) Order must be confirmed by 5 PM PST on the day before shipment is sent.
- 11) Semen will be collected and sent overnight via FedEx.
- 12) Mare Owner agrees that MAA shall not be held liable for delays in delivery of semen that is lost or mishandled in any manner after it leaves the breeding farm. Furthermore, Mare Owner hold MAA harmless from any claim or harm, of any kind, that might be associated, in any way, with the transported cooled semen. All terms and conditions of shipping agent will apply to Mare Owner.
- 13) MAA guarantees that the semen has been analyzed and tested and is free from infectious or contagious disease. The sperm count, motility, collection and packaging meets or exceeds industry standards. MAA assumes responsibility only to ship enough extended semen (in viable condition at the time of collection) that the Mare Owner will receive at least 500 million progressively motile sperm, within a 24 hour delivery time.
- 14) After receipt and use of the semen, the container must be shipped back to MAA using overnight delivery. We recommend that you insure the container for \$300.00. There will be a late container fee of \$25.00 per day for every

day the container is gone past 2 days. If container is lost in return shipping, Mare Owner is responsible to replace the container at the cost of \$250

- 15) If the Mare fails to settle for any reason, the Mare Owner will hold MAA harmless. The burden of conception is placed on the Mare Owner, veterinarian, technician or insemination station. The Mare must be bred immediately, on the same day as semen is received and proper methods of handling must be used.
- 16) This contract contains a Live Foal Guarantee (LFG). A live foal is described as a newborn foal that stands and nurses without assistance. If a foal is stillborn, there is a return privilege for the year the Mare has foaled only. A LFG will only apply if all conditions of this contract are met. A Collection/Shipping Fee will be charged for each shipment of semen.
- 17) All requirements of applicable breed registries must be fully complied with and there are no color guarantees concerning Paints, Appaloosas, etc. Mare Owner will pay all costs for DNA testing of their Mare and foal, registration fees, any permits of miscellaneous fees that are applicable.
- 18) Mare Owner guarantees that Mare designated in this contract is the only Mare inseminated with the shipped semen and she will carry her own foal, unless prior arrangements are made. A Breeder's Certificate will be issued following the birth of the foal, providing all bills are paid.
- 19) Mare Owner agrees to have an ultrasound exam between days 14 and 16 following the last insemination and notify MAA of her pregnancy status. It is suggested that she have a pregnancy check by manual palpation or ultrasound exam at 45 days.
- 20) In the event of a death or incapacity of the Mare, the Mare Owner shall be allowed to breed a substitute Mare to the jack provided MAA has given advanced approval of Mare in writing and all pictures and paperwork have been submitted. No refunds shall be permitted for any reason. In the event that the Rits becomes unfit for breeding or dies, the breeding fee will be refunded, minus the booking fee which is non-refundable.
- 21) Mare Owner certifies that they are the sole owner of the Mare or have full authority to enter into this contract on half of the owners. This contract is non-transferable. Any disputes arising out of this agreement will be arbitrated under the laws of Washington State and arbitrated in Jefferson County, WA.

(Please Print Clearly)

Mare Owner _____ Phone# _____

Name _____ Desired breeding date: _____

Mare Owner Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of Mare _____ Reg. # _____

Breed and Brief Description _____

Veterinarian: _____ Phone# _____

Address: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mare Owner

Date

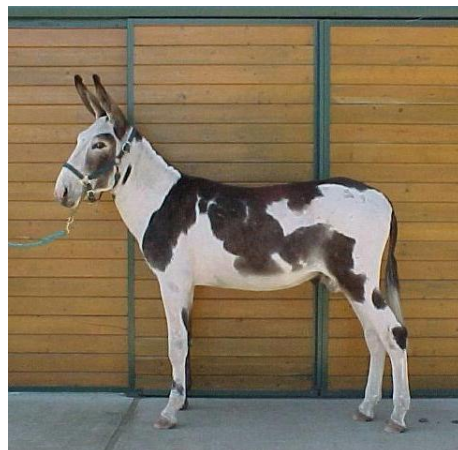
Patti Kyle, MAA

Date

MORE DETAILS FOR COOLED SHIPPED SEMEN FOR MARES

By using Cooled Shipped Semen (CSS), you have the option of breeding your Mare to many of the finest jacks nationwide with none of the risks or inconveniences involved with shipping, hauling or leaving your Mare at another barn. It is an easy way to find just the perfect match for your Mare.

FIRST AND FORMOST you must find a veterinarian who is **WELL VERSED** in this type of equine reproduction. The use of CSS can be expensive, so you will save money if your Mare settles quickly. The more often the CSS process has to be repeated, the higher your costs will be. **DISCUSS** a breeding management program with your vet. All Mares are required to have a breeding soundness exam. An experienced brood Mare specialist can spot any potential problems in your Mare. These could include uterine infections, inflammations, poor vulvar conformation or urine pooling. Treatment of these afflictions is imperative to ensure the good health of your Mare **PRIOR** to breeding.



FOCUS ON TIMING! Don't try to cut corners. Teasing alone is not adequate to pinpoint the correct time to breed when using CSS. To order semen, so it arrives with the narrow window for conception, your vet will need to monitor your Mare's cycle via ultrasound and palpation. For the best chance of conception, your Mare must be inseminated within the 24 hour period prior to ovulation. Semen should be used within 12 hours of receipt. Success with this method requires a **TEAM EFFORT** between you, as the Mare Owner, your vet and myself.

WHEN YOUR SEMEN ARRIVES, your vet should have your Mare clean and ready to be inseminated **BEFORE OPENING THE SHIPPING CONTAINER**. Occasionally semen will die in transit and inseminating your Mare with a dead load of semen can set her up for inflammation making it at best, harder to achieve conception, at worst, causing you to lose a breeding season. Therefore, ideally, the semen should be scoped immediately prior to being inseminated; however, timing is critical and no time should be lost in this process. **DO NOT** pre-warm semen before insemination. The best place for semen to warm up is **IN THE MARE**.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

After all paperwork has been sent, all fees have been paid in full, the process begins!

Day 1	Mare has approximately a 40 mm follicle, contact MAA no later than 5:00 PM PST to order semen for the next day
Day 2	MAA will collect and ship semen overnight via Federal Express
Day 3	Semen received and inseminated by veterinarian, by noon in most areas
Day 4	Inseminate second dose, if mare has not ovulated
Day 14-16	Required ultrasound exam to check for pregnancy and to verify not carrying twins. Notify MAA of results.
Day 45	Recommended manual palpation or ultrasound exam to verify pregnancy

EXPLANATION OF BREEDING EXPENSES

\$450 Stud Fee—Includes \$300 non-refundable Booking Fee.

\$150 Collection/Shipping Fee—Due prior to each shipment, covers the cost of collecting and shipping semen.

Initial Expense, \$600 for Mares. Subsequent shipments \$150