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HORSE COLIC



Horse Colic is a very serious condition in hc and is the single most common killer of these animals

Colic is a potentially life-threatening disease. It is the single most important cause of death in horses.

When a horse is showing signs of colic it requires immediate attention and a treatment.

Mild pain

- Lip curling
- Flank watching
- Restlessness
- Pawing at the ground

Moderate pain

- Straddling as if to urinate
- Lying down and getting back up again
- Prolonged periods of lying on side
- Occasional rolling

Severe pain

- Violent rolling
- Sweating
- Rapid breathing
- Intense pawing at ground
- Swollen eyes and grazing of the body due to rolling

Moderate Colic (pain)



Severe Colic (pain)



All cases of colic must be taken seriously because in the early stages all colics are similar. Seek veterinary advice early.

Categories of Colic

Colic is another name for abdominal pain. Painful swelling of the intestines (e.g. enteritis) or contractions against a rigid "object" (e.g. gas, impactions) cause colic

Gas: When excessive gas accumulates, usually in the large intestine or caecum stretches the intestine, causing pain. It is easy to treat, however, make sure there is no ongoing underlying problem.

Spasmodic: When there is abnormal intestinal contractions, these may be accompanied by painful spasms. It is fairly common and easily treatable. However, make sure there is no ongoing underlying problem.