

First Aid Kit (Equine)



The following would be a suggested list of contents for a full equine first aid kit:

- Clean bowl or bucket
- Clean towel
- Large roll of cotton wool
- Round-ended curved scissors for trimming hair from wound edges
- Anti-bacterial scrub eg Hibiscrub or Povidine
- Pack of sterile saline — very handy when on the move
- Ready-to-use poultice eg Animalintex, Poultex
- Wound gel eg Intrasite Gel
- Non-stick dressings eg Melolin, Rondopad
- Gamgee and large scissors for cutting it to size
- A selection of bandages including:
 - Stretch cotton bandages eg Knit-firm, K-band and crepe bandages
 - Adhesive bandages eg Elastoplast
 - Elastic conforming self-adhesive bandages eg Vetrap, Co-plus
 - Tubular bandage eg Tubigrip
 - Synthetic orthopaedic bandage eg Soffban
 - A set of stable bandages
- A roll of electrical insulating tape 2cm wide
- A roll of black PVC tape or silver duct tape 7.5 or 10cm wide
- A gentian violet or antibiotic spray
- Petroleum jelly eg Vaseline
- Wound powder containing fly repellent
- Wound gel such as Dermagel, intrasite gel or vetalintex
- Small pair of tweezers
- Thermometer
- Paper and pencil
- A bright torch for inspecting wounds in poor light