



CASTRATION CONSENT FORM

- **Closed Castration Procedure**

Procedure Description: in a closed castration, the vaginal tunic surrounding the testicle is not incised, which reduces exposure of internal tissues and lowers the risk of contamination. This technique is associated with fewer post-operative complications such as infection, excessive swelling and prolonged drainage

- **Open Castration Procedure**

Procedure Description: Please be aware that this procedure has an increased rate of post-operative complications compared to the closed castration procedure. In open castrations, there is very often the discomfort of draining incisions, fly infestations, contamination with sand, secondary bacterial infections, etc. The closed technique however causes less inflammation and therefore less opportunity for complications. This all eventually leads to a faster return to normal life. Therefore, we strongly recommend the performance of a closed castration, especially in horses older than 1 year of age.

- **Risk and Considerations**

As with any surgical procedure, there remains a small risk of complications, including but not limited to:

- * Adverse reaction to sedation or anesthesia
- * Hemorrhage
- * Swelling or discomfort
- * Rare chance of post-operative infection or herniation

Owner Name: _____

Horse Name: _____ Stable: _____

Microchip No: _____ Passport No. _____

I, the undersigned, confirm that I authorise Sharjah Equine Hospital to perform a _____ (open or closed) castration procedure on the above referenced horse. I have been informed of the nature, purpose and possible risks of the surgery and I agree to the proposed treatment plan.

Signature: _____

Date: _____