



Kings Bounty Equine Practice Environmental Policy

Who we are

Kings Bounty Equine Practice is an equine ambulatory practice based in Hampshire, UK. We have 2 full time vets and our aim is to offer a caring, dedicated and bespoke service to our clients. We have a specific interest in orthopaedics and sports horse medicine and are well equipped with a range of high quality mobile diagnostic and therapeutic equipment.

Our commitment

At Kings Bounty Equine Practice, we are striving to reduce our environmental impact and improve the sustainability of our work. We acknowledge that our practice has an impact on the environment in terms of the use of raw materials, greenhouse gas emissions and waste generation.

Implementation

We have identified areas where our day-to-day actions have an impact on the environment, and we continue to work towards improving our sustainability in all areas. Our team is committed to working with clients, suppliers, contractors and colleagues to reduce our environmental impact. We strongly believe that by making small changes we can make a big difference, and have brought into effect the following objectives:

- Appointed a practice sustainability champion who is responsible for promoting and improving environmental sustainability
- Reduce our use and waste of non-recyclable materials where possible
- Implement the use of TerraCycle bins for recycling of soft plastics and PPE (personal protective equipment)
- Improve our vehicle fuel emissions by efficient organisation of ambulatory visits to reduce mileage and maximise fuel efficiency
- Monitoring our in-practice use of finite resources to promote water and energy conservation, reduce wastage and minimise use of fossil fuels
- Implementing a paper-free system wherever possible and using FSC certified supplies
- Undertake an annual waste survey to identify further opportunities for waste reduction
- Work closely with suppliers who are committed to reducing their impact on the environment to maximise sustainable procurement
- Practise and promote responsible veterinary use of antimicrobials and anthelmintics to reduce the impact we have on the development of resistance
- Introducing green spaces to our workplace and earning recognition as a 'Bee Friendly Practice'

We will have annual reviews and updates of our environmental policy accounting for changes within legislation and within our organisation. This policy will be shared with all our employees and environmental sustainability will be discussed regularly to update employees and to increase awareness of environmental sustainability.

Responsibility

It is the responsibility of all employees, visitors and contractors to fully support this policy through active participation and cooperation. The sustainability champion has designated responsibility for the day-to-day implementation of this policy. A copy of this policy is available on the Kings Bounty Equine Practice website. Any questions or suggestions can be sent to admin@kingsbountyequine.co.uk.

Signed:

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