



# TACOMA EQUINE HOSPITAL

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## Foaling Kit

Listed below are some important items to have on-hand when your mare foals. It is best to have a kit prepared ahead of time, kept in a closed container, in a readily accessible area. Foaling is a quick event & you don't want to be scrambling around for important items when the time comes!

### For the Mare:

- Halter and Lead
- Tail wrap\*
- String/baling twine to tie up placenta
- Ivory dish soap and wash cloth/cotton
- Bucket or trash bag for placenta

### For the Foal:

- Towels for drying
- Diluted Chlorhexidine to dip the umbilical stump\*  
(diluted to 1 part chlorhex : 4 parts water)
- Dip cup (ex: pill bottle, etc)\*
- Umbilical tape/clamp, clean shoe lace or cotton string\*
- Enema, ready-to-use\*

### Miscellaneous:

- Watch
- Scissors
- Thermometer\*
- Stethoscope\*

We also recommend that mares foal out on straw, not shavings, as it won't cling to the damp foal and is typically less dusty.

\* These items are available through Tacoma Equine Hospital.