

Written Prescription Requests

Prescription Only Medicines, Category V, (POM-V)

Hospital Clients - You may request a written prescription for POM-V medicines that are prescribed for your horse at discharge. This will enable you to obtain medicines from another veterinary surgeon or a pharmacy. A fee is charged for each individual drug's written prescription. We will only prescribe POM-V products following a clinical assessment and/or treatment of horses referred to us and are under our care. A prescription may not be appropriate if immediate treatment is necessary. You will be informed, on request, of the price of any medication that may be prescribed for your horse.

First Opinion Practice Clients – You may obtain Prescription Only Medicines - Veterinary (POM-Vs) from your veterinary surgeon or ask for a prescription and obtain these medicines from another veterinary surgeon or a pharmacy. POM-V medicines can only be dispensed or prescribed to patients under our care. Consequently, we need to re-assess all patients requesting repeat prescriptions at least every 6 months, but this period may be shorter due to individual medical circumstances. The cost of a re-examination is £25 plus a visit fee of £35. When ordering repeat prescription medications, we request at least 48 hours' notice. A fee of £10 is charged for each individual drug's prescription, and this needs to be done every 3 months if repetition is required.

Further information in RCVS Code of Conduct:

<https://www.rcvs.org.uk/setting-standards/advice-and-guidance/code-of-professional-conduct-for-veterinary-surgeons/supporting-guidance/fir-trading-requirements/>.