

B. **1 week post foaling . . .**

1. To reduce milk flow in *the mare that is milking normally*, drastically reduce the grain intake for the next week.
2. **If you are tempted to breed her back on foal heat:**
  - a. Bring the mare in for uterine examination, flushing
  - b. Then, 9 days after foaling, introduce the mare to the stallion
  - c. 10 days after foaling . . .
    - (1) Breed the mare (if she cooperates)
    - (2) Administer oxytocin 12 hours after breeding (if she did cooperate)
  - d. 12 days past foaling . . .
    - (1) Tease the mare, to see if she will stand for another breeding
    - (2) If she will stand again, repeat the procedure above in “10 days after foaling . . .”

C. **14 days post foaling . . .**

1. Start increasing grain rations to the mare again.
2. Use her body condition to guide you concerning the amount of grain she receives over the next three months.

D. **30 days post foaling . . .**

1. deworm the foal with a paste wormer
2. evaluate the foal's . . .
  - a. body condition
  - b. attitude
  - c. posture
  - d. and gait

E. **60 days post foaling . . .**

1. have a creep feeder available
2. deworm the foal with a different paste wormer, starting it on Strongid C
3. start on vaccinations: tetanus, sleeping sickness, influenza, rhinopneumonitis, strangles (Potomac Horse Fever)
4. trim feet to correct any crooked legs, regardless how minor the deviation
5. prepare the family for surgery on stud colts, which should give you 30 more days of “preparation time” for the 90 days post foaling procedure
6. booster vaccinations, as well as initial rabies vaccination
7. *if not on Strongid C . . .*
  - a. deworm the foal with **a different paste wormer**
  - b. continue this at monthly intervals, alternating different paste wormers
8. You may wean the fillies and lucky stud colts at this time if . . .
  - a. the foals weigh 300 lbs.,
  - b. and if the foals are eating grain (the mares' milk is decreasing at this time, just as the foals' needs are increasing)
9. schedule castration for stud colts, and plan to wean them two weeks after that time