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Breeding without an ultra-sound

As a rule for breeding without ultra sounding here are some pretty good guide lines.

1. Mare foals

If everything appears to be normal in the foaling and cleaning I breed those mares on days 9, 11, & 13. On day 13 only if the cervix is still soft and pliable otherwise I pass.

2. On mares you have tracked their cycles (lasting 6 to 7 days every 21 days) I breed on days 5 and 7. You need to track a cycle first so you get your calendar marked.

Keep in mind every time you AI you are depositing a foreign substance directly into the ultras and to evade that any more times than what is absolutely necessary in exposing her to infection. When a stallion does his thing the only things that get where you are depositing is what can swim that far everything else is discharged. I cannot stress this enough CLEAN AND STERILE when doing AI If you get careless you are asking for problems THAT includes your processing methods.

One of the reasons we process and discard such a high percentage is we know 90% of what we then use is an antibiotic sterile fluid which helps reduce problems.

We have been doing this longer than anyone in the State and that includes the University so if you are in doubt, just call first. It is better to ask me than make a mistake.

Will keep you posted on our end.