



# HOOF MATE ®

# WHITE LIGHTNING ®

Guide to product use.

Can assist with management of:

White Line, Seedy Toe, Greasy Heel & Other bacterial and fungal infections of  
the hoof.

## CHLORINE DIOXIDE

- Hoof Mate is a powerful and economical weapon against topical fungal and bacterial infections of the hoof and lower leg – such as Thrush, White Line disease and scratches. Hoof Mate is a self activating chlorine dioxide tablet that will create an activated Chlorine Dioxide solution. Chlorine Dioxide is an antifungal and antibacterial which has a long history of use in human medicine as a topical disinfectant.

Use the supplies and instructions listed below to manage your horses' hooves with Hoof Mate.

- **WHAT SUPPLIES WILL I NEED?** For cleaning and soaking horses' feet: Water, liquid dish soap, 1 litre trigger spray bottle, stiff bristled brush, hoof pick/knife, farrier nail, Hoof soaking boots or buckets or rubber pans.
- **FOR MIXING AND MEASURING THE SOAKING SOLUTION** - Clean empty 1 litre bottle, Hoof Mate tablets.

## DIRECTIONS:

Clean the hooves thoroughly. Prepare your horses hooves for soaking by cleaning them thoroughly, top and bottom. Scrape away packed in and caked on mud and dirt with a hoof pick. Use a hoof knife to trim away flaps of loose tissue from the frog and to open up cracks and crevices in the white line and hoof wall. Brush to remove dirt and caked on mud below the fetlock.

NB: Its important to clean thoroughly so soaking solution can reach the affected tissue.

Add some soap to a spray bottle and fill with water to blast dirt and debris out of the central sulcus of the frog and its close up into a crevice from heel bulb contraction.

Use the spray bottle and a nail to blast and pick dirt and debris out of the cracks and crevices in the white line and hoof wall.

Run the nail all the way around the frog to clean out the dirt line and collateral grooves of the frog. Remove as much packed in dirt and loose tissue as you can so the soaking solution can flow easily to the areas affected by fungal and bacterial growth.

Finally, use a brush and spray bottle to scrub feet thoroughly top and bottom with liquid dish soap and water. Put a soaking boot on each hoof as you finish scrubbing so that it stays clean. If your horse is not used to wearing soaking boots, let him wear them for a while before adding any liquid.

Add plain or soapy water to the boots and again let him wear them for a while. It will help clean his hooves and get him used to the feeling of liquid inside the boots.

Pour the water out of the boots before mixing the solution in the next step.

Place your horse in a stall or yard with plenty of grass or hay to keep him quiet and happy.

Prepare the soaking solution. The solution created by Hoof Mate is an activated Chlorine Dioxide solution. It is fast acting but may bleach or discolour hair and may irritate open wounds or sensitive tissue if instructions are not carefully followed.

Note: Use Hoof Mate solutions in a well ventilated area. Read and understand label information and cautions about activated Chlorine Dioxide solutions.

**DO NOT BREATHE IN THE GAS.**

#### **HOOF MATE ZYDOX ® FACT SHEET**

A 1 litre bottle holds just the right amount of solution to fill 2 average size soaking boots. Choose a bottle with a small opening which makes it easy to pour soaking solution into a boot while your horse is wearing it. You'll want to mix a bigger batch of solution if you're using buckets or pans instead of soaking boots.

**Directions for One Litre of Hoof Mate:** Fill a clean bottle with 1 litre of potable drinking water. Add 2 Hoof Mate tablets to the bottle. Seal the bottle and allow 10 minutes for the tablets to dissolve, the solution will turn yellow.

**Soak the hooves:** Pour the solution into the soaking boots, pans or buckets and soak for 20-30 minutes. Repeat this process 3 times per week until the infection is under control.

**SUCCESS TIPS:** - • You can pour the liquid out of soaking boots without removing them from your horse's foot. Pick up your horse's booted foot, then curl the foot up and back toward the horse's belly to drain the liquid. Avoid splashing clothing as it will bleach.

- For an extra boost, empty the soaking boots halfway through the soaking time and refill with a second batch of fresh solution.
- To maximise the effectiveness of the solution, you need to supply copious amounts of fresh solution to the affected areas.
- Do NOT use metal utensils or containers for mixing, measuring, or storing chlorine dioxide solutions as it is corrosive.
- REMOVE horseshoes before soaking your horse's hooves in a chlorine dioxide solution. Chlorine dioxide corrodes most unprotected metals losing efficacy as it is oxidising.
- Sunlight breaks down chlorine dioxide, the active ingredient in Hoof Mate.

**Store Hoof Mate solutions out of direct sunlight**