

HORSE BLANKETING GUIDE

It's especially tricky with changeable temperatures and conditions. Combined with which blanketing is very different for every horse as it depends on breed, weight, climate, his work load, and even their coats themselves. Horses that are used to the colder weather and have spent most of their time outside, tend to cope better with cooler temperatures than horses that are stabled all the time. It also depends on the actual weather, for example - is it just cold or is it cold and raining or even snowing?

TURNED OUT HORSES (those who do not come inside at night)

TEMPERATURE	Turned out/Unclipped	Turned out/Clipped
15°C or warmer	Nothing - or a flysheet	Nothing - or a flysheet
10-15°C	Nothing - or rainsheet if wet & windy (0g fill)	Nothing or light weight (100g) or zero fill if wet & windy
5-10°C	Nothing or light weight (100g)	Light weight (150g) plus neck cover
0-4°C	Rainsheet or light/ medium weight (150-250g)	Medium weight (200g) with neck cover
0°C to -10°C	Light or medium weight (150-300g) with neck cover	Medium or Heavy weight (300g-400g) with neck cover
-10 to -20°C	Heavy weight (300-400g) plus neck cover (use liners to get extra warmth)	Heavy weight (300g-500g) plus neck cover & liner (to get the max 500g if needed - especially if no shelter)
-20°C & Colder	Heavy weight (400-500g) plus neck cover. Weight is likely achieved with 300g plus liner)	Heavy weight (300g-500g) plus neck cover & liner (to get the max 500g if needed - especially if no shelter)

STABLED HORSES (who are going out for the day)

TEMPERATURE	Stabled/Unclipped	Stabled/Clipped
15°C or warmer	Nothing - or a flysheet	Nothing - or a flysheet
10-15°C	Nothing - or rainsheet if wet & windy (0g fill)	Nothing or light weight (100g) or zero fill if wet & windy
5-10°C	Light weight (100-150g)	Medium weight (250g)
0 to 4°C	Medium weight (150-250g)	Heavy weight (300g) with neck cover
0°C to -10°C	Medium weight (200-300g)	Heavy weight (300g-400g) with neck cover
-10 to -20°C	Heavy weight (300-400g) plus neck cover (use liners to get extra warmth)	Heavy weight (300g-500g) plus neck cover & liner (to get the max 500g if needed - especially if no shelter)
-20°C & Colder	Heavy weight (400-500g) plus neck cover. Weight is likely achieved with 300g plus liner)	Heavy weight (300g-500g) plus neck cover & liner (to get the max 500g if needed - especially if no shelter)