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NORMAL VITAL SIGNS FOR HORSES AND FOALS

What are the normal vital signs of an adult horse?

Heart rate, 44 bpm (36-50); respiration rate, 12 (10-20); capillary refill time, 1 sec.; mucous membrane color, pink; rectal temperature, 99-101F; gut sounds should always be present.

What are the normal vital signs of a foal?

Temperature: will increase the first four days, then plateau at 100-102F; heart rate, 60-110 bpm; respiratory rate, 25-60 bpm.