



Unlike other veterinary practices in the New Forest area, Seadown also offers an excellent ophthalmology referral service for horses taking both internal referrals from our own vets and external referrals from many surrounding practices.

This means that if your equine has a particularly challenging eye case, or one which requires specialised equipment or hospitalisation, your own vet may suggest you pay us a visit. It is important that such cases are referred to us direct from your own vet and we ask that you do not attend our referral ophthalmology clinic without their prior knowledge. This is because we need your horse's clinical history and to be able to report back and liaise with your own vet about further treatment options.

Our referral service offers a comprehensive and up to date range of diagnostic equipment, including ophthalmoscopes, slit-lamps and tonometers. We also carry out advanced ocular surgery including treatment of eyelid deformities and difficult corneal ulcers. Much of the surgery can be done under sedation rather than risking a full general anaesthetic although this is considered on a case-by-case basis.

We have on-site stabling for in-patient care, which makes it much easier to treat horses needing intensive medication, especially ones from some distance away.

This special ophthalmology referral service is run by two of the Seadown Directors: Kate McMorris (who has 5 horses of her own!) and Anna Jennings who are both Advanced Practitioners in veterinary ophthalmology. Nickie Collins, who became an Advanced Practitioner in Veterinary Ophthalmology in 2015 completes the full time Seadown ophthalmology team.

It's a highly respected and busy referral service undertaking both the everyday and also the more advanced surgical procedures.



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