## PLEASE READ BEFORE PUTTING WHINNY WARMERS® ON YOUR HORSE.

Thank you for purchasing Whinny Warmers®. Your horse will thank you too. View the video on our website "Whinny Warmers On/Off" located under the menu tab "How To" and then under "How to use our socks" This is a very helpful video and will make your first experience with them a breeze. Practice putting them on and taking them off a sound horse first if your the intended horse is ouchy when bending its legs.

Whinny Warmers® stay up for many hours on most horses but as with any horse wear, check them twice a day, in the morning and evening to make any needed adjustments. If you don't see your horse twice a day, make arrangements with other dependable people to check and adjust the socks for you. If you can't do this, then please don't use our socks. For the safety of your horse, all horse clothing requires an owner or other experienced person to observe that any clothing is correctly placed, and functioning on the horse at all times. Whinny Warmers® slump on the legs. These layers of yarn provide the warmth. They are meant to warm the lower leg, and if warmth is needed for the knees or hocks, we recommend the Hock/Knee Extensions thatoffer extra length of sock and add coverage to those joints.

**REMOVE SOCKS IF THEY BECOME WET. THE IDEAL IS TO HAVE ONE SET ON AND ANOTHER DRY AND READY TO REPLACE THE WET ONES.** Though you can use great products like *Nikwax Tech Wash and TX Direct* to add water resistance to the socks, they are a knit and won't be waterproof. The best way to keep legs warm out in pasture are our Celliant Lined Whinny Wellies. They are waterproof leg protection gear that have a warm and therapeutic lining of Celliant fleece. At night when you bring your horse in, you can take off the Wellies and put back on the Whinny Warmers® for indoor wear. Most cold temps occur when there is no precipitation, but when it's wet and cold, keep a good eye on the socks so that your horse remains warm and dry.

\* Horses that were having trouble moving due to pain induced by the cold temps will begin to feel better as a result of improved circulation and warmth, and the socks may becme challenged at staying up. There are ways of adding some tape support to the Whinnys when that happens. (learn more at "Support") This is a time to Celebrate! If the socks are down your horse is MOVING again! You may need to support them more. We didn't make them to offer compression. We made them to pile on warmth.

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. WASH THE WHINNY WARMERS® IF YOU FIND THEM TOO LOOSE ON THE LEGS. USE WARM WATER ON GENTLE CYCLE IN YOUR MACHINE. USE "FREE AND CLEAR DETERGENTS" ABSENT OF FRAGRANCES. DO NOT USE FABRIC SOFTENER OR FABRIC SOFTENING DRYER SHEETS. DRY ON MEDIUM HEAT IN THE DRYER. WASHING WILL GIVE YOU A GOOD FIT AND A WONDERFUL SOFT SOCK. Wash Whinny Warmers® every 3-4 days to restore elasticty and fit.
- 2. THE SOCKS ARRIVED TO YOU IN A PLASTIC BAG. PICK UP THE HOOF. PUT THE BAG OVER THE HOOF. FOLD THE SOCK NEARLY IN HALF SO THAT YOU CAN STILL DISTINGQUISH THE TOP FROM THE BOTTOM. PULL THE SOCK ON OVER THE BAG. AS SOON AS THE SOCK IS ON THE LEG AND OVER THE HOOF, REMOVE THE BAG. PUT THE HOOF DOWN. THEN ADJUST THE SOCK ON THE LEG. IF YOU ARE USING A HOCK/KNEE EXTENSION WITH THE LOWER LEG SOCK, PUT THE EXTENSION ON THE LEG FIRST. PULL IT UP AND OUT OF YOUR WAY. THEN PUT ON THE LOWER LEG SOCK. ADJUST THEM BOTH ONCE YOUR HORSE'S HOOF IS BACK ON THE GROUND.
- \* Plastic bags make putting the sock on easy and protect the sock contruction. The antimicrobial yarn is the white yarn that is lining the inside of the sock. Using the plastic bag protects the valuable aspect of your socks. If the hooves are very rough, use duct tape over the rough spots when removing the socks. This will offer you the same protection when taking the socks off.

**DON'T LEAVE THEM ON THE LEGS IF TEMPERATURES ARE TO GO ABOVE 50-55 DEGREES!** These socks are too hot for warm temperatures.

We've never had a horse hurt or injured because of our socks. Please note that because of the theoretically possible risk of a sock coming off or falling down and panicking the horse while being ridden, we must state that riding your horse while it's wearing Summer Whinnys™ must be at your own risk. If you have any questions, call us at 850-907-5724. We are happy to talk with you about your experience with the socks. You can also drop us an e-mail at info@socksforhorses.com.

*Silver Whinnys*® provide a breathing and antimicrobial barrier against bacteria carrying insects and the filth of the barn environment. They belong in your barn all year around for when critical protection of leg conditions may be needed.