

Health & Maintenance:

Regular health & maintenance checks need to be done.

They include:

- 5 in 1 Vaccinations
- AD & E Vaccinations
- Toenail trimming
- Weights and Body Scores
- Drench (if necessary)

Vaccinations: All drug or vitamin applications should be checked with your veterinarian.

5 in 1 = Cria require an initial 2 doses of 5 in 1 4 weeks apart

- First dose = 6 weeks of age
- Second dose = 10 wks of age (or 4 wks after first)

= All alpacas require 2 doses per year – eg. December & June.

AD&E = Cria born between May & September should receive their first dose at 4 wks (And then continue with the growing animal doses thereafter)

- = Growing animals require doses in May, July and September.
- = Pregnant or Lactating females require doses in May/June and then 2-3 mths later
- = Other Adult animals require 1 dose in May/June

Some animals can be susceptible to Rickets and therefore may require doses other than the aforementioned – always seek your veterinarian's advice.

Drench = As alpacas do not tend to graze their dung piles, they rarely require drenching. If your alpacas do have a worm count or are running with other livestock you can use the following.

Cydectin – now has alpacas listed on label so can be used legally.

Ivomec – has been used safely with alpacas and is also successful in treating ear mite.

Other vaccines that are useful to have on hand.

- Vitamin B1 - Assists if you get Rye Grass Staggers (calming agent)
- Vitamin C - Is believed to be of assistance with Snake bite
- Penicillin - Used to treat infections.