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How to Wrap a Horse's Foot

There are two reasons to wrap a horse's foot: 1) to provide cushion or support and 2) to hold medication in place to treat the foot

Supplies

4x4 gauze squares

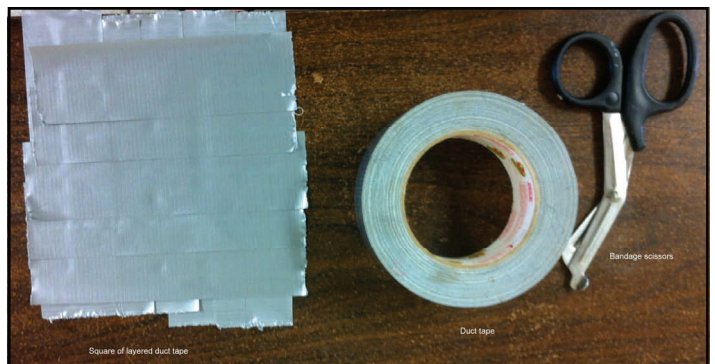
4" Vetwrap

MagnaPaste, Ichthammol or other medication
(if necessary)

Duct tape

A square of duct tape slightly larger than the
bottom of the foot

Scissors



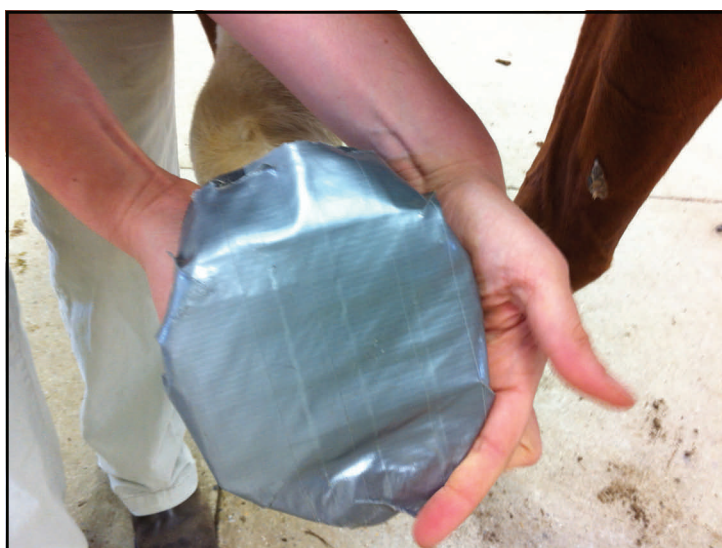
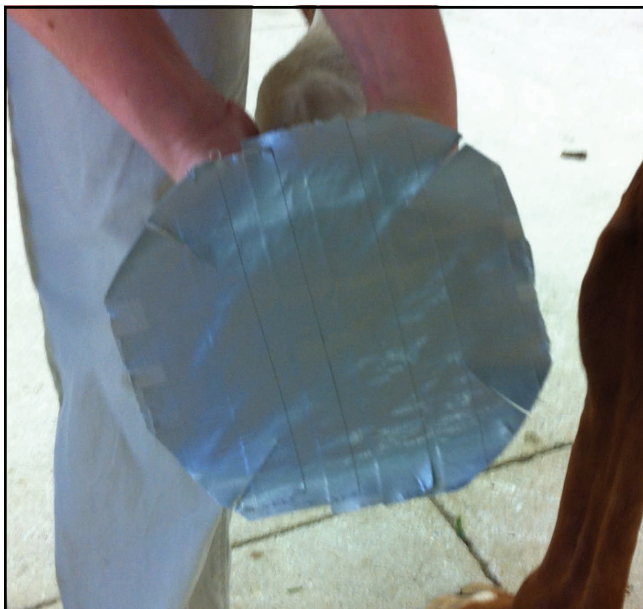
Clean the bottom of the foot. Apply any medication to a few 4x4 gauze squares. Cover the area of the foot that is being treated.



Wrap the foot with 4" Vetwrap to keep the gauze in place. Wrap the Vetwrap above the coronary band in the front and above the heel bulbs in the back.



Place the square of duct tape over the sole. You can cut slits in each corner so that it wraps around the hoof more easily. Fold the edges over to secure the square.



Use strips of duct tape along the hoof wall to keep the square of duct tape more secure. *Duct tape should not be applied over or above the coronary band because it can restrict blood flow.*

Foot wraps can be left in place for a few days at a time. Any worn edges can be re-covered with duct tape as needed.