

# Knowing What's Normal: Vital Signs

## Normal



## Vital Signs

**BAR:** Bright, Alert, Responsive

**E/D/U/D:** Eating, Drinking, Urinating, Defecating Normally

**Temperature:** 99-101<sup>0</sup> F

**Pulse:** 25-40 beats/minute

**Respiration:** 8-24 breaths/minute

**Gum Color:** Pink and moist

**Capillary Refill Time:** 1-2 seconds

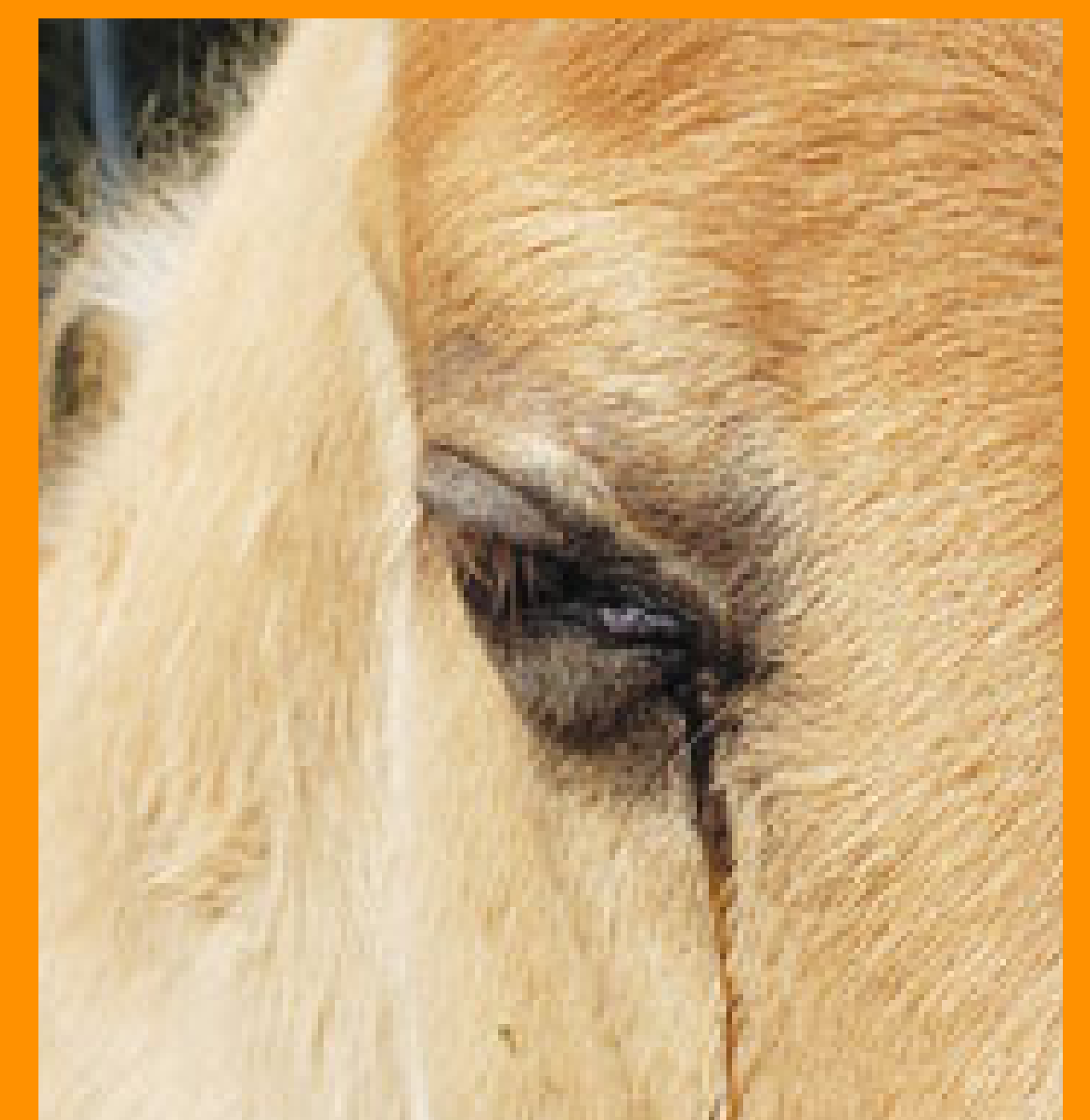
**Gut Sounds:** occasional long rumbles and short gurgles

**Secretions (Nasal/Eye):** Minimal, clear and watery

## Abnormal



Dehydrated horse with drawn up flank area



## More information:



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