Wild Tiger Health Centre Information Sheet

Guidelines for Tiger Rehabilitation: Consumables List

ITEM	PRIORITY	COMMENTS
Autoclave bags		Only necessary if using an autoclave
Bacteriological sample swabs	**High**	
Bandages: non-sterile		
Bandages: self-adhesive		Made from material which sticks to itself, but not tissue – eg "Vetwrap"
Biopsy punches		3 – 5mm diameter
Blood collection tubes with EDTA anticoagulant	**High**	For haematology
Blood collection tubes with heparin anticoagulant	**High**	For collection of plasma
Blood collection tubes with no anticoagulant	**High**	For preparation of serum
Butterfly needles	**High**	18, 20 & 22 gauge
Clinical waste bags	**High**	
Clipper spray		For lubricating clipper blades
Containers for pathology samples	**High**	Leak-proof, with wide mouthed, screw top. NOT GLASS
Cryo tubes	**High**	For frozen storage of biological tissues
Darts for blowpipe, pistol or rifle	**High**	3ml & 5ml volumes recommended
Dart needles	**High**	Different lengths and thicknesses are available. Suggest 38/40mm length, 2mm diameter for pistol & rifles darts

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Diff-Quick stain		
Disinfectant – general purpose	**High**	
Disposable aprons	**High**	
Disposable gloves	**High**	Various sizes
Ethanol – 80 – 90%		For preserving ectoparasites
Faecal floatation solution		For parasitology
Fly repellent	**High**	
Formal saline	**High**	For fixing tissues from biopsies or necropsies
Hydrogen peroxide solution		
Intravenous catheters	**High**	18 & 20 gauge
Intravenous drip giving sets	**High**	
KY or other lubricant gel	**High**	To lubricate endotracheal tubes
Marker pens and pencils	**High**	For labelling samples
Microscope slides and cover slips		
Miltons sterilising fluid		Available as liquid or dissolvable tablets
Mineral oil		For skin scrapes
Needles – sterile	**High**	Various sizes – suggest 23, 21, 19, 18 & 16 gauge
Scalpel blades – disposable	**High**	
Sharps disposal bins	**High**	
Silver nitrate pencils		
Soda lime granules		Only necessary for gas anaesthesia circle circuits
Surgeons gloves – sterile		
Surgical drapes and towels		

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Surgical spirit	**High**	
Sutures – absorbable	**High**	Various sizes
Swabs – non-sterile	**High**	
Swabs – sterile	**High**	Usually available in sealed packs
Syringes – sterile	**High**	1ml, 2ml, 5ml, 10ml, 20ml, 50ml
Tissue glue		Various tissue glues are available, but conventional liquid “Superglue” can be used
Urinary catheters		Small diameter
Urine dipsticks		For analysing urine
Whatmann filter papers	**High**	For whole blood storage
Ziplock bags	**High**	Double zip type preferably