

## Fieldshelter Buildings

Fieldshelters offer a quick and economical method of providing accommodation, and enable you to meet the RSPCA/BHS Horse Care Code established in 1995;

*"A horse must be kept in a field with sturdy fencing (not barbed wire) and must have access to shelter at all times"*

Fieldshelters are usually erected without planning permission and can be erected either on a full concrete base (like looseboxes) or a concrete rim approximately 300mm (12") wide. An alternative method, widely favoured on cost grounds is to level the ground area with graded or crushed stone and lay a base of heavy timbers to match the walls. The building is then secured with coachscrews and steel pins which prevent uplift and horses pushing walls out of line.

Whichever method is used, we strongly recommend that after erection, fencing posts are placed in each corner before the next winter to provide additional wind protection. As a fieldshelter often has substantial openings for access, getting the location right is critical. Openings act to catch the wind, and while we include rear wall ventilators to lower the potential for damage, it is essential that prevailing winds hit the rear or sides of the building, usually giving a south facing front.

Following overleaf, we have shown a number of potential layouts, but we can offer complete flexibility in terms of openings and sizes. One of the most popular sizes is 7.2m (24') wide, which has the advantage of being dividable into two good size stalls or convertible later on into fixed Looseboxes, a bonus for customers who currently rent their land. We offer our shelters in sizes from 3.6m to 10.8m (12-36') and you can also add gates, sliprails and all the options applicable to Looseboxes (eg guttering, lining etc) to arrive at the ideal building for yourself and your budget.

We offer shelters with 3 different roof styles, all constructed like our looseboxes with kiln dried structural framing, pressure treated maintenance free weatherboarding and Onduline roofing system. Far and away, the most popular model is the **CROMARTY**. This has a 1.2m (4'0 nom) overhang and looks exactly the same as our Looseboxes. This looks good, gives added weather protection and is popular with horses in summer - they can escape the sun and dreaded flies! The simplest structure is the **BEAULY**, with a flat pent roof sloping front to back and the **DORNOCH** differs only in that it has an apex roof without an overhang.

## Towable Shelters

Following customer requests, we are pleased to introduce the **"ERISKAY" & "COLONSAY"** - our new towable field shelters. Sized to suit several horses and designed to fit through standard field gates with ease, these shelters offer durable protection to all stock, with the ability to be moved with standard 4 x 4 or tractor. The design is ideal for summer / winter grazing paddocks or for farms where field rotation means horses are moved from year to year. Customers have the choice of quality castor wheels within a strong steel chassis or heavy duty wooden skids with metal protectors.

The **ERISKAY**, with a steel chassis is aimed at mixed use farms where the building needs towed on farm roads over limited distances to get between fields. The **COLONSAY** has timber skids, rather like a big sledge, and is aimed at movement between and around fields where road travel is not necessary.

Both building styles are available as standard 16 x 9' sizes but Colonsay Models are available in other sizes up to a maximum of 20 x 12 if moveable. Colonsay shelters may also need towing by tractor. Because both models are not "fixed" in location, no planning permission is required. Front Canopies are a popular option.

### ERISKAY only

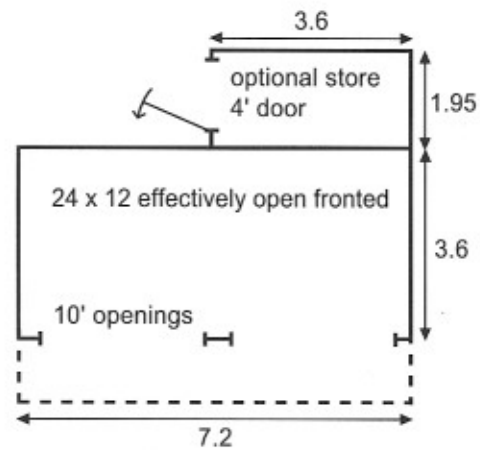
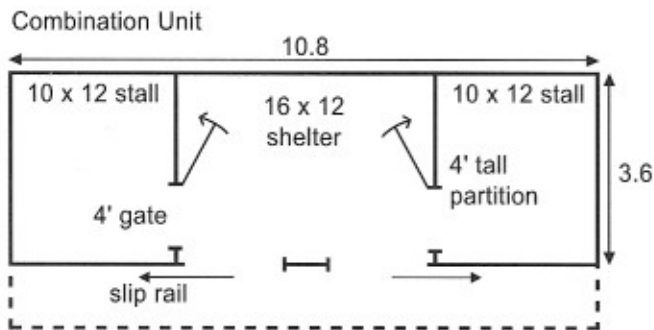
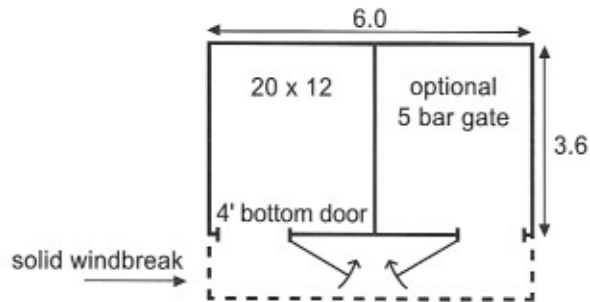
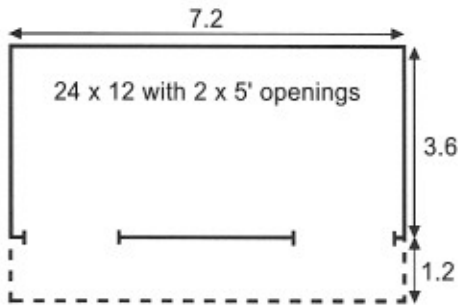
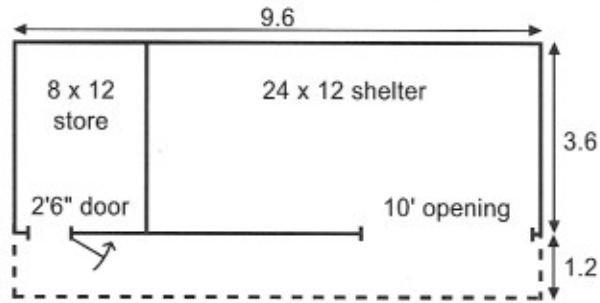
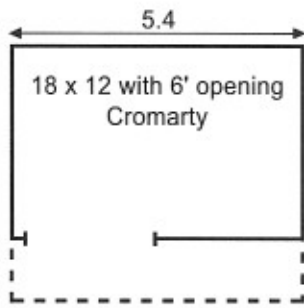
- # tough welded steel chassis with diagonal corner plates and adjustable doorway support frame
- # integral A frame towing arm with choice of agricultural pin or 50mm socket coupling.
- # quality rollerball solid rubber/steel 250mm deep castors with 1 tonne rated bearings

### COLONSAY only

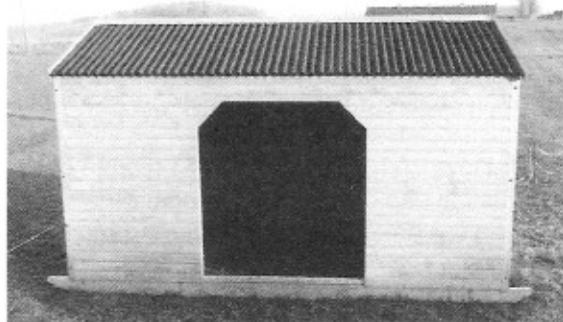
- # 63 x 175 treated heavy duty skids with angled toes and metal faced protectors
- # Bolted through heavy duty rings for towing eyelets and 3 x 3 corner post brackets.

### Both ERISKAY & COLONSAY

- # heavy duty 3 x 2 nom (38 x 63 act) dressed structural CLS framework, cross braced for rigidity
- # CCA pressure treated 19 x 125nom (16 x 121 act) Swedish Cladding for long life, maintenance free
- # substantial 6 x 2 purlins with Black ONDULINE roofing system & clear roof sheets
- # Chewstrip protection to door jambs and sliprail for temporary closure
- # multislatted louvre vents for generous air circulation
- # kicklined inside to 4' and fitted with 6 internal lugs and optional securing pins
- # standard size 16' x 9' x 7'10 (eaves) (4.8m x 2.7m x 2.4m) 6' (1.8m) opening with apex roof



Eriskay - Steel Framed



Colonsay - Timber Chassis