

Quick answer: Höveler Western Sport is a high-energy, low-grain muesli mix for medium to intensively trained western horses, competition-safe and FEI-compliant. It delivers 14% crude protein and 12.19 MJ of digestible energy per kg, with 28% alfalfa for muscle development, in a 44 lb bag at \$37.99. Best for a show horse in the middle of a busy competition season. Last checked: September 2026.

Competition season is when feeding mistakes cost you the most. Your horse travels, stables away, and works harder than it does the rest of the year, and you need a ration that keeps energy and condition steady without a starch rollercoaster. Western Sport is formulated for exactly that stretch of the calendar. Here are nine reasons it suits the show season.

1. Competition-safe and FEI-compliant, so one feed works home and away

Western Sport is competition-safe and FEI-compliant, so the identical bucket can travel to every show. You do not swap feeds between home and the grounds, which is one less variable on a weekend that already has plenty. Always verify the specific rules with your event organizer. Made in Germany with over 120 years of expertise since 1905, it is a formula built for the show pen.

Who this is for: competitors who want one ration for the whole season, not a special show-day mix.

2. 12.19 MJ/kg of digestible energy for multi-day shows

Each kg of Western Sport carries 12.19 MJ of digestible energy, plenty to carry two or three classes in a day without grain-heavy feeding. Energy arrives from a low-grain muesli rather than a starch bomb. Your horse finishes the weekend working, not flat.

The benefit: class-day fuel from a mix designed for peak performance.

3. 18.30% starch keeps the fizz in check

Starch sits at 18.30% and sugar at just 5.30%. For a horse that needs to be keen without being explosive in the warm-up pen, that balance helps preserve rideable energy. You get go without the blow-up.

Who this is for: owners of a horse that gets hot on traditional grain rations.

4. 28% alfalfa to hold muscle through the season

Alfalfa makes up 28% of the mix, supporting muscle development across a long run of shows. Condition is hardest to hold in week six of the season, not week one. A forage-based protein foundation helps hold topline when the work keeps coming.

Who this is for: riders whose horses look great in April and tired by July.

5. Oat-free formula for the sensitive show horse

This muesli contains no oats. If your horse gets hot or loose on oat-based feeds, oat-free removes a common trigger while keeping energy at 12.19 MJ/kg. That matters even more on the road, when travel and stabling already add stress.

The benefit: steady energy for oat-sensitive horses in a demanding calendar.

6. Inactivated brewer's yeast for a gut under travel pressure

Inactivated brewer's yeast is in the ingredient list, alongside 16.7% crude fiber. A horse that stalls away from home eats less and frets more; digestive support in the bucket helps maintain appetite across the weekend. A horse that cleans its tub keeps its condition.

Who this is for: the horse that goes off feed the first night at a new venue.

7. Feeding rates that flex with the show schedule

Per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight, the guide is 0.55 lb (250 g) daily at light work and 0.88 lb (400 g) at medium work. You can step the rate up for a show weekend and back down for an easy week without changing feeds. The page gives no heavy-work rate — adjust to condition and training intensity, always with adequate forage.

Who this is for: owners [website](#) juggling show days, school days, and rest days in one week.

8. A vitamin package that covers the whole season

Each kg carries 260 mg of vitamin E and both sodium selenite and selenium yeast at 0.25 mg each, supporting muscle function through a heavy workload. Add biotin at 1,185 µg per kg and the ration covers basics a hard-working show horse burns through faster. No separate bucket-stack required for a basic program.

The benefit: season-long micronutrient coverage in the daily feed.

9. The 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee makes a mid-season switch low-risk

Bifid, whose US operation is based in Florida, backs orders with a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee and a 24/7 licensed vet team, and the store rates 9.0/10 across 24,098 reviews. If the feed does not suit your horse mid-season, you are not stuck with the bag. At \$37.99 for 44 lb, trying it costs little. The full nutrition panel is on the Höveler Western Sport 44 lb bag product page.

Who this is for: owners who want to try a premium show-season feed without the gamble.

How to feed it

Daily rate per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight:

Work level	Daily rate
Light work	0.55 lb (250 g)
Medium work	0.88 lb (400 g)
Heavy work	Not listed on the page — adjust to your horse's condition and training intensity, always with adequate forage. Ask bifid's 24/7 licensed vet team for a starting rate.

Key specs at a glance: 14.0% crude protein, 12.19 MJ/kg digestible energy, 6.10% crude fat, 16.7% crude fiber, 18.30% starch, 5.30% sugar, 28% alfalfa, oat-free muesli in a 44 lb bag.

You can build the exact rate for your horse with the Feeding Calculator.

Frequently asked questions

Is Höveler Western Sport safe to feed at FEI-level competitions?

Yes, it is competition-safe and FEI-compliant. Always check the specific rules with your event organizer, since some classes run under additional local conditions. One feed then covers both home training and show day.

How much should I feed on a show weekend versus a rest week?

The guide is 0.88 lb (400 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight at medium work and 0.55 lb (250 g) at light work. Step between those rates with the schedule. The page gives no heavy-work rate, so adjust to condition and training intensity with forage always alongside.

Will it make my horse hot before a class?

Starch is 18.30% and sugar only 5.30%, and the formula is oat-free and low-grain. That profile is designed to support steady rather than explosive energy. Individual horses differ, so watch your own horse across the first weeks.

Does it support muscle through a long season?

The mix contains 28% alfalfa with 14% crude protein and lysine at 0.58%, formulated for muscle development and peak performance. Combine it with consistent training and adequate forage. Muscle is built by the program, and the feed backs it up.

Can I get my money back if it does not suit my horse?

Yes, bifid offers a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee and a 24/7 licensed vet team for feeding questions. The store rating is 9.0/10 across 24,098 reviews. A mid-season trial stays low-risk.