

Quick answer: Höveler Original Sport is a premium, soy-free performance muesli with digestible energy of 12.6 MJ/kg DM, 9.0% crude fat, 0.7% inactivated Diamond V yeast and carrots at 0.5% for palatability. It is best for working horses that need to hold condition. Price: \$49.99 for the 44 lb bag. Last checked: September 2026.

Holding condition on a horse in serious work is harder than building it. The weight that took all spring to add can be lost in three hard weeks. Höveler Original Sport is a premium, soy-free performance muesli formulated for horses in consistent work, with the nutrient density — and the gut support — that condition-keeping demands. Made in Germany with over 120 years of expertise, it earns its spot in the feed room for precisely this job. Here are nine reasons why.

1. Digestible energy of 12.6 MJ/kg DM

Condition is an energy equation, and this ration brings 12.6 MJ/kg DM digestible energy with 11.0 MJ/kg DM metabolizable energy. The benefit: enough fuel in the bowl to keep weight through a demanding program.

Who this is for: horses that lose ground the moment the workload rises.

2. Crude fat at 9.0% for dense, calm calories

Crude fat measures 9.0%, carried by linseed oil and sunflower oil — calorie-dense fuel that do not bring starch-driven fizz with them. The benefit: **performance horse feed** condition calories that leave alone the temperament.

Who this is for: horses that need weight support without going sharp in the mind.

3. Amino acids so condition lands as muscle

Condition is not just weight; it is composition. Lysine 1.0%, threonine 1.0% and methionine plus cysteine 0.93% support muscle function, with digestible crude protein of 122 g/kg DM. The benefit: weight put on where it matters — over the back and hindquarters.

Who this is for: owners who want the mirror to show muscle, not just size.

4. 0.7% inactivated Diamond V yeast for feed efficiency

A horse can only hold condition on what it breaks down. The formula carries 0.7% inactivated Diamond V yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*), a postbiotic from multi-stage fermentation. The benefit: extra value from every measured helping.

Who this is for: horses that eat well yet find it hard to keep the weight on.

5. Fructooligosaccharides and 16.4% fiber for the hindgut

Fructooligosaccharides nourish the beneficial gut population, while crude fiber at 16.4% from alfalfa, green meal and wheat <https://sites.google.com/view/soy-free-horse-feed/> bran keeps the hindgut engine running. The benefit: the gut stability that condition relies on week after week.

Who this is for: horses whose condition is the first casualty when gut upset strikes.

6. Sugar at 4.6% and starch at 15% — condition without the spike

Sugar measures 4.6% and starch 15%, so the condition calories arrive without sharp carbohydrate spikes. The benefit: a ration you can use more boldly for weight without pushing the horse over the edge in the head.

Who this is for: combinations of easy work and sharp temperament.

7. Palatable at every meal — carrots in the mix

Condition demands the bucket to be licked clean, every single day. Carrots at 0.5% make the muesli genuinely tempting. The benefit: an appetizer built in, which matters most in hot weather or busy stables where appetites dip.

Who this is for: horses that nibble at their feed when life gets busy.

8. Antioxidants for horses under constant demand

Vitamin E is generous in the formula and grape seed meal sits at 0.5%, supporting horses whose bodies are in almost constant work. The benefit: keeping the horse that keeps the schedule.

Who this is for: horses in lesson, training or multi-day programs with little true downtime.

9. Competition-safe continuity

Original Sport is competition-safe and FEI-compliant (verify rules with your event organizer), so the condition program never breaks for a show. With Höveler making feed since 1905, the formula has stood the test of long seasons. The benefit: one ration, kept steady, through the whole year.

Who this is for: owners whose horses never really stop working.

How to feed it

Rates are given per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight per day:

Work level	Feed per day per 220 lb (100 kg)
Light work	0.55 lb (250 g)
Medium work	0.88 lb (400 g)
Heavy work	1.32 lb (600 g)

Hay ration: 3.31 lb (1.5 kg) per 220 lb body weight each day — forage is the foundation of condition, always alongside the feed.

Key specs at a glance: digestible energy 12.6 MJ/kg DM, crude fat 9.0%, starch 15%, sugar 4.6%, yeast 0.7%, carrots 0.5% for palatability.

Work out the exact rate for your horse with the Feeding Calculator, then hold it steady.

Condition programs run on consistency, and so does a good supplier: bifid is rated 9.0/10 across 24,098 reviews, offers a licensed vet team 24/7, and backs orders with a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee. The full nutrition breakdown is on the Höveler Original Sport product page.

Frequently asked questions

Will this feed help my horse hold weight in hard work?

It is built for that: 12.6MJ/kg DM digestible energy and 9.0% crude fat supply calorie density, while 0.7% inactivated Diamond V yeast supports the gut that puts them to use. Feed the correct rate for the workload and keep forage at 3.31 lb per 220 lb body weight daily.

Does it work for horses that go silly on weight-gain feeds?

The condition calories here come from fat and fiber, with starch at just 15% and sugar at 4.6%. That is the profile owners of sharp horses look for.

What if my horse is a picky eater?

Carrots at 0.5% are in the formula for exactly this reason, and the muesli format tempts most fussy mouths. Persistent appetite problems warrant a vet discussion too.

How should I adjust the rate through the season?

Start from the work-level table, watch condition, and step the rate up or back within it. The Feeding Calculator turns your horse's weight and work into a daily figure.