

Quick answer: Höveler Western Sport is a 44 lb bag of high-energy, low-grain German muesli — 12.19 MJ/kg digestible energy, 14.0% protein, 28% alfalfa and 6.10% crude fat at \$37.99. Best for the performance gelding in real training whose ration needs to fund the job and nothing more. Last checked: September 2026.

The performance gelding is your reliable one: same attitude, same work ethic, and he will clean up whatever you put in front of him. That is exactly why his ration deserves scrutiny — the feed has to match the workload closely, because he will not self-correct. Here are five reasons this formula earns the bucket.

1. Energy matched to medium and intensive work

This is a high-energy feed formulated for medium to intensively trained western horses, carrying 12.19 MJ/kg digestible energy and 11.21 MJ/kg convertible energy. A gelding in serious training gets fuel that scales with the job, starting at 0.88 lb (400 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) body weight for medium work.

Who this is for: the dependable gelding whose workload has outgrown a maintenance-level ration.

2. Muscle-supporting numbers, not just calories

Crude protein runs 14.0% with 107 g/kg digestible crude protein, and alfalfa makes up 28% of the mix. Add lysine at 0.58%, methionine plus cysteine at 0.46% and threonine at 0.53%, **competitive performance feed** and the ration is set up to support muscle development under a training load.

The benefit: a topline and hindquarter that keep their shape through the season.

3. Fuel from fat and fiber, not a grain wall

Crude fat sits at 6.10% from sunflower and linseed oil, crude fiber at 16.7%, and the formula is oat-free with starch at 18.30%. The gelding's energy arrives evenly — which keeps a willing mind generous. The full published analysis is on the bifid product page.

Who this is for: riders who want forward and consistent, not explosive.

4. Micronutrients covered in one bag

Every kilogram supplies Vitamin A at 18,216 I.E., Vitamin D3 at 3,299 I.E., Vitamin E at 260 mg, biotin at 1,185 µg and the full mineral spread, including selenium from two sources at 0.25 mg + 0.25 mg per kg. One 44 lb bag at \$37.99 covers the ration so you can put your attention on the training plan.

Who this is for: owners paring down a supplement shelf down to a properly balanced feed.

5. Competition-safe, with a maker that has done this for 120 years

Western Sport is competition-safe and FEI-compliant — verify rules with your event organizer. Höveler has made horse feed in Germany since 1905, over 120 years of expertise, and bifid backs the store with a 9.0/10 rating across 24,098 reviews, a 24/7 licensed vet team and a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee.

The benefit: the identical ration at home and at the show.

How to feed it

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

Work levelDaily rate per 220 lb (100 kg) body weight Light work0.55 lb (250 g) Medium work0.88 lb (400 g) Heavy workNot listed — the page gives no heavy-work rate; adjust to condition and training intensity, with adequate forage always provided.

Key specs at a glance: 44 lb bag, \$37.99, 12.19 MJ/kg digestible energy, 14.0% protein, 6.10% crude fat, 18.30% starch. The page gives no heavy-work rate — for a gelding in intensive training, adjust to body condition and training intensity with adequate forage always in place, and change the rate slowly. Weigh the ration; geldings seldom leave anything behind. Plan the daily amount with the [bifid Feeding Calculator](#).

Frequently asked questions

Is a high-energy feed right for a steady gelding?

If he is in medium to intensive work, yes — 12.19 MJ/kg digestible energy funds the training, and the low-grain, oat-free profile with starch at 18.30% keeps the delivery even. If he drops back to light work, drop to the 0.55 lb (250 g) rate.

Will it help keep his topline?

It is designed to support muscle development, with 28% alfalfa, 14.0% protein and limiting amino acids including lysine at 0.58%. Nutrition plus correct, consistent work is what holds topline.

Can I compete on it?

Yes — Western Sport is competition-safe and FEI-compliant. Verify the details with your event organizer.

Does it contain soy or oats?

It contains 1.5% soy extraction meal feed, so it is not soy-free. It is completely oat-free.

How much do I feed?

Start at 0.88 lb (400 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) body weight for medium work and adjust to condition and training intensity. The page gives no heavy-work rate, so increase gradually with forage always in place.