

Quick answer: Höveler Original Sport is a reduced-starch sports muesli with 0.7% inactivated Diamond V yeast, prebiotic fructooligosaccharides, starch at 15% and sugar at 4.6%. It is best for owners who put gut <https://sites.google.com/view/soy-free-horse-feed/> comfort first in a working horse. Price: \$49.99 for the 44 lb bag. Last checked: September 2026.

If your horse's gut runs the whole barn — the attitude, the appetite, the condition — you already know digestion is the first thing a hard-working ration can upset. Höveler Original Sport was built with that in mind. It is a reduced-starch sports muesli made in Germany by the family firm that has been making horse feed since 1905, and it couples a low-starch base with special live yeast and prebiotic fiber. Here are seven reasons it belongs in the gut-comfort conversation.

1. Diamond V inactivated yeast at 0.7%

The gut-support hook is 0.7% inactivated yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*). It is Diamond V postbiotic yeast, produced by multi-stage fermentation. The benefit: a hindgut environment supported at every meal, without a separate tub on the shelf.

Who this is for: owners whose gut-support plan starts and ends with whatever is in the feed room.

2. Starch reduced to 15%

Excess starch is the familiar load on the equine hindgut. Original Sport holds starch at 15%, comfortably below traditional grain-based performance feeds. The benefit: less undigested starch reaching where it can do harm.

Who this is for: horses whose digestion improves whenever starch comes down.

3. Fructooligosaccharides — prebiotic fiber built in

The ingredient list includes fructooligosaccharides, a prebiotic fiber that feeds beneficial gut microbes. Combine it with 16.4% crude fiber and the ration supports the microbial population from two directions. The benefit: fiber that actively serves the gut, not just fill.

Who this is for: owners who would perhaps otherwise buy a prebiotic supplement as a separate tub.

4. Sugar kept low at 4.6%

Sugar at 4.6% keeps the ration gentle on a system that did not evolve for concentrated sugar. Combined with reduced starch, the total of sugar and starch stays on the sensible side for a performance feed. The benefit: comfort in a formula you can feed day after day through a full work cycle.

Who this is for: horses kept in consistent work where the daily gut load matters.

5. High-quality fiber sources, starting with alfalfa

The fiber comes from real forage-grade sources: alfalfa, green meal, wheat bran and sunflower hulls. Crude fiber measures 16.4%. The benefit: the kind of fiber base the equine gut was designed to process.

Who this is for: owners who study ingredient lists before they read marketing.

6. Antioxidants from 0.5% grape seed meal

Digestive comfort is also about resilience. Grape seed meal at 0.5% supplies antioxidants, and the feed is high in vitamin E, supporting the horse's response to the strain of regular work. The benefit: inside-and-out support in a single ration.

Who this is for: horses in demanding schedules where stress lands in the gut before anywhere else.

7. A recipe refined over 120 years

Höveler has made horse feed in Germany since 1905 — over 120 years of expertise — and the formula is competition-safe and FEI-compliant (check rules with your event organizer). bifid backs it with a licensed vet team that answers questions 24/7. The benefit: a gut-friendly formula with a long track record and real support behind it.

Who this is for: owners who want proven craft and a phone number that is always answered.

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 daily — forage is the foundation of gut comfort, so always feed it alongside.

Key specs at [performance horse feed](#) a glance: yeast 0.7% (Diamond V, inactivated), starch 15%, sugar 4.6%, crude fiber 16.4%, fructooligosaccharides included.

Match the daily rate to your horse with the Feeding Calculator before you make the switch.

It also helps to buy from a store that stands behind the bag: bifid holds a 9.0/10 rating across 24,098 reviews and offers a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee on every order. The full nutrient panel is listed on the Höveler Original Sport product page.

Frequently asked questions

Is this feed good for a horse with a sensitive gut?

It is formulated to be gentle: starch reduced to 15%, sugar at 4.6%, and 0.7% inactivated Diamond V yeast plus prebiotic fructooligosaccharides supporting the hindgut. For a diagnosed condition, involve your vet alongside any change of feed.

Does it replace a yeast supplement?

The feed already carries 0.7% inactivated *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. Many owners find a separate yeast tub redundant; check the rest of your supplement stack to make sure you are not doubling up.

How much hay should it be fed with?

The guideline is 3.31 lb (1.5 kg) of hay per 220 lb of body weight daily. Forage is non-negotiable — no concentrate feed substitutes of it.

Can I switch my horse over gradually?

Yes, and you should absolutely. Change feeds over roughly a week, stepping the new ration up as the old one comes down. The Feeding Calculator gives you the starting daily rate.