

Quick answer: Höveler Western Sport is dosed by weight, not volume — 0.55 lb (250 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight at light work, 0.88 lb (400 g) at medium work. The rates only mean something if the portion is weighed in weight. The 44 lb bag costs \$37.99. Best for households where accuracy beats guesswork. Last checked: September 2026.

Muesli mixes are particularly easy to misjudge by eye. Flakes, alfalfa, **pre-competition feed** and oil-coated particles rest loosely in a scoop, so two scoops from two different bins can vary by a surprising margin. The feeding rates printed on Höveler Western Sport are in weight for a reason. Here are five reasons to meet them with a scale.

1. The published rates are in weight, so the portion should be too

Light work means 0.55 lb (250 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight daily; medium work means 0.88 lb (400 g). Those figures are weights, not volumes. A kitchen or luggage scale turns them from intentions into portions in about ten seconds.

The benefit: the rate on the bag and the rate **performance horse feed** in the bucket become one and the same.

2. Scoops measure air as readily as feed

Muesli's mix of barley flakes, corn flakes, and 28% alfalfa does not settle uniformly, so a heaped versus a struck-off scoop can swing the portion by a real margin. Over weeks, that swing compounds into condition changes nobody can explain.

Who this is for: households where several people feed and no two scoops look alike.

3. Body-weight math only works with an accurate unit

The rate is per 220 lb (100 kg) of horse. A 1,100 lb horse gets five portions of 0.55 lb (250 g) — about 2.75 lb. If the "0.55 lb" scoop actually holds 0.75 lb, the error multiplies by five across the ration. Weighing once corrects every day after.

The benefit: five small accurate units instead of five compounding guesses.

4. Adjusting between work levels needs a trustworthy baseline

Moving a horse from light to medium work means adding roughly 60% more concentrate — 0.55 lb (250 g) to 0.88 lb (400 g) per 220 lb (100 kg). You can only control an increase like that accurately if the starting point was weighed, not eyeballed.

Who this is for: owners stepping a horse up in training and wanting the change intentional.

5. Weighed feeding makes condition adjustments auditable

The feeding guidance says to adjust to condition and training intensity. Adjustments only count if the before and after amounts are known — 0.88 lb (400 g) yesterday, 0.80 lb today. A scale makes the whole program auditable, and the 24/7 licensed vet team can work with actual figures instead of recollections.

Who this is for: anyone who has ever told a vet the horse gets "about two scoops."

How to feed it

Daily amounts per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight, measured by weight:

Work levelDaily amount 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 your horse's condition and training intensity, with adequate forage always provided.

The page gives no heavy-work rate, so tune to your horse's condition and training intensity with adequate forage always provided. Key specs at a glance: 14.0% crude protein, 6.10% crude fat, 16.7% crude fiber, 18.30% starch, 5.30% sugar, 12.19 MJ/kg digestible energy, 28% alfalfa.

Work out the right daily amount with the [bifid Feeding Calculator](#).

Frequently asked questions

Why is Western Sport's feeding rate given in weight instead of scoops?

Because weight is the only measure that is identical in every barn. The rates — 0.55 lb (250 g) and 0.88 lb (400 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight — are exact, and a muesli's airy mix makes volume a bad proxy for mass.

How do I convert the weight into scoops?

Weigh one level scoop of the feed once, then divide by that figure. The whole exercise takes a minute, and the numbers stay valid as long as the scoop and the feed do not change.

Does weighing really change anything for a horse in light work?

It raises the floor under every decision. At 0.55 lb (250 g) per 220 lb (100 kg), even a small scoop error shifts the ration noticeably for a small horse — and for a multi-horse barn the errors pull in every direction.

Should I weigh the forage too?

The product page gives no hay ration, so forage amounts rest on your own plan. Weighing hay helps there as well, and the 24/7 licensed vet team can help define a forage target if you want one.

Is a scale necessary if I feed the same amount every day?

Consistency is worth a great deal, but being consistent and being correct are different things. One weighing confirms the daily amount matches the intended rate; after that, the scale can rest in the drawer.