

Quick answer: Höveler Pur.Muskel is a supplementary feed added to a complete ration, built around 15.0% raw fat and 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy — the slow-burn profile endurance work rewards — with starch at just 5.8%. Competition safe and FEI-compliant, \$52.99 for a 44 lb bag. Last checked: September 2026.

Endurance owners know the issue well: miles in the legs demand dense calories, but a starchy feed burns fast and leaves a drained, gut-sensitive horse. Pur.Muskel was designed to add fat-based energy and muscle support to a full ration in small amounts. Seven reasons it suits distance work.

1. Fat is the fuel distance horses run on

Pur.Muskel carries 15.0% raw fat, with linseed oil in the ingredient list. Fat [Click to find out more](#) delivers 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy (11.9 MJ metabolizable) in a form the working horse draws on steadily over hours.

Who this is for: distance horses that fade when the starchy portion of the ration runs out.

2. 5.8% starch keeps the metabolic picture calm

Starch sits at 5.8% and sugar at 4.1% — a profile designed for metabolically sensitive breeds and for horses whose gut comfort counts over a long ride. That is part of why the mix is gentle on the stomach.

The benefit: energy that does not spike, dip, or stir up the hindgut.

3. Protein to hold muscle across a season

Miles wear down muscle. Pur.Muskel supplies 20% raw protein with 160 g/kg digestible crude protein and 0.85% lysine; its rated Functionality is Muscle Building, and it is a supplementary feed added to a complete ration.

Who this is for: horses coming off a long ride that need condition to bounce back between events.

4. Amino acids counted, not assumed

Lysine 0.85%, methionine 0.25%, methionine plus cysteine 0.5%, and threonine 0.6% come from named sources — soy flakes, pea flakes, and sweet lupine flakes, with no alfalfa in the mix.

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

5. No added vitamins or minerals — build your own endurance plan

Endurance programs are highly individual. Pur.Muskel contains no added vitamins or minerals, so it fits into a custom ration without repeating electrolytes, balancers, or forage minerals.

The benefit: a clean slot in a plan you already trust.

6. Competition safe and FEI-compliant

Ride-day rules are strict, so the ration has to be clean. Pur.Muskel is competition safe and FEI-compliant, made in Germany by a house that has made horse feed since 1905 — over 120 years of expertise.

The benefit: the same ration at home, at camp, and at the vet gate.

7. Small rates, real calories, real backup

Because the mix is energy-dense, even heavy work takes only 0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g) per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight daily. The product rates 4.55 from 2 reviews, and bifid stands behind the purchase with a 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee, a 24/7 licensed vet team, and a store rating of 9.0/10 across 24,098 reviews — US operation in Florida. \$52.99 for a 44 lb bag; the product page has the full label.

Who this is for: owners planning a full season who would like the trial covered.

How to feed it

Pur.Muskel is a supplementary feed mixed into a complete ration — not a complete feed on its own, with forage always the foundation. Rates per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight per day:

Work level	Daily rate per 220 lb (100 kg) body weight
Light work	0.07–0.11 lb (30–50 g)
Medium work	0.11–0.18 lb (50–80 g)
Heavy work	0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g)

Example: a 1,000 lb horse in medium work gets 50–80 g daily. The rates are small gram-scale amounts — measure them, and adjust to condition and mileage. The feeding calculator works out the daily amount in seconds.

Key specs at a glance: 44 lb bag, \$52.99, raw fat 15.0%, digestible energy 14.1 MJ/kg, starch 5.8%, raw protein 20% — a supplementary feed added to a complete ration.

What an owner said

"Excellent performance 9" — Jessica, May 21, 2024 (9/10). Her comment notes the horses maintain stronger muscle condition.

Frequently asked questions

Is Pur.Muskel suitable for endurance horses?

Yes — its 15.0% raw fat and 14.1 MJ/kg digestible energy suit steady work, while starch stays at 5.8%. It is a supplementary feed mixed into a complete ration.

Will it keep my distance horse calm at the ride?

Energy comes from fat, not starch — starch is 5.8% and sugar 4.1%. That profile is designed for metabolically sensitive breeds.

Can I use it under competition rules?

Yes — Pur.Muskel is competition safe and FEI-compliant, German-made with over 120 years of expertise.

Does it contain soy or alfalfa?

It contains soy (soy flakes), so it is never soy-free; it is alfalfa-free, with no added vitamins or minerals.

How much do I feed for distance work?

Per 220 lb (100 kg) of body weight: 0.11–0.18 lb (50–80 g) in medium work, up to 0.18–0.22 lb (80–100 g) in heavy work. A 1,000 lb horse in medium work gets 50–80 g daily.