

Types of Feed

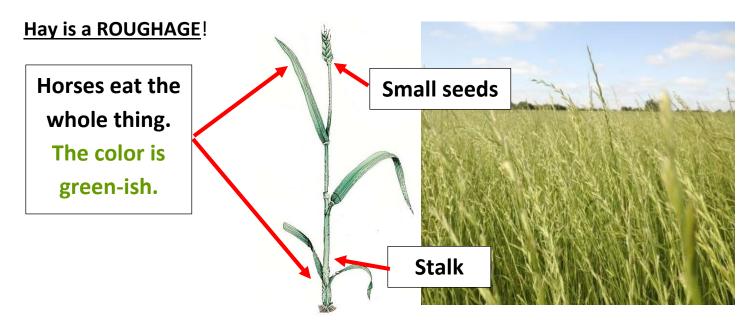


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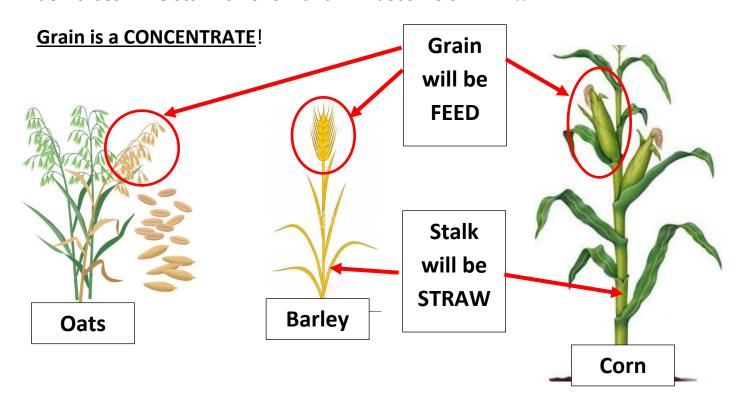
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#	Name	What	Examples	Picture
1.	Roughage	Bulky food, like grass and hay.	 Grass – The most natural for horses (NEVER feed grass clippings) Hay – most common source of roughage. Many kinds; timothy, clover, Bermuda, hay, and alfalfa. Alfalfa is the richest kind of hay Other – range cubes, hay pellets, beet pulp. 	
2.	Concentrate	Foods that have more food value 'concentrate d' in a smaller amount. Substitute for feed.	 Grain – Oats, corn, barley, and bran. Mixed feed and pellets – mixing different grains. Some are ground up and pressed into pellets. "Sweet Feed" is a type of mixed feed. Supplements – vitamins and mineral supplements (powder or pellets) added to the feed for extra nutrition. 	Race Horse Tours International Control of the Contr
3.	Succulents	Very juicy foods.	Apples, carrots, etc. Fresh green grass is both a Roughage AND a succulent.	
4.	Water		Make sure it is always AVAILABLE and CLEAN. Horses lose water when they sweat. They need water to replace it. Water helps with digestion. Animals can't survive without water.	
5.	Minerals	Salt. Need 2 keep nutritional balance.	Salt block in stall or large block in the pasture. They lose salt when they sweat, and can't get enough of it from their normal diet.	

What is Hay? Hay is <u>GRASS</u> that grew so long that seeds formed on the top. It is **not HAY until is it cut**. The stalk and the small seeds at the top **all have nutrition**. The stalk is **not hollow**. **The horse eats the whole thing**. Common types of grass that make good hay are clover, timothy, and alfalfa grass.



What is Grain? Grain comes from certain plants. Common grains are Oats, Barley, and Corn. Only the seeds have nutrition. Horses only eat the seeds. Horses do not eat the stalk. Would you eat a CORN STALK?? No, neither do horses. The stalk is hollow and will become STRAW!!



Flakes and Bales

Bales can be sectioned out by FLAKES





Bales can weigh 40 to 75 lbs



Flakes are 3"-4" thick and can weigh from 1 to 5 lbs



On **AVERAGE** a 2 string bale will have **9 to 14** Flakes



On **AVERAGE** a 3 string bale will have **13 to 17 Flakes**



Grain and Scoops



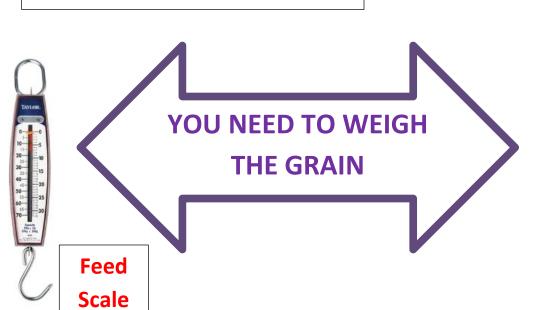








How much does a SCOOP weigh????





Feed Type Worksheet - What FEED group is it in?



USPC Rating Requirements, 2023:

D1 - • Know how to give feed a treat to a mount safely. Give 1 example of a succulent. Discuss why and how often water should be available.

Water: Available at <u>ALL times</u>. Why? Horses lose water when they sweat. They need water to replace it. Water helps with digestion. Animals can't survive without water.

- D2- Know 3-5 basic rules for feeding and explain feeding schedule for own mount.
- D3-• Know 5-7 basic rules of feeding.• Discuss the amount of roughage and the amount of concentrates per ration for own mount. Describe how feeds are measured and weighed.
- C1-• Discuss how much water an average horse drinks in a day and 2 reasons why water is important for horses. Describe 2 characteristics of bad hay. Explain why access to good quality roughage is essential. Name 1 legume hay and 1 grass hay
- C2 • Describe own mount's ration when developing fitness, maintaining fitness, taking day off, sick, roughed out. Look at a feed label and identify sources of protein, carbohydrates, and fat (can bring own label).

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