

## Feeding Senior Horses—A Quick Reference

Condition	Need	Feed	Feed notes*	Forage
<ul><li>Poor dentition</li><li>Quidding hay</li><li>Choke</li><li>Poor BCS</li></ul>	<ul><li>Ease of chewing</li><li>Ease of digestion</li><li>Hay built in</li><li>Added calories</li></ul>	• Equine Senior® (ES)	<ul> <li>Soak with warm water</li> <li>Minimum 6.0 lbs/1000 lb BW with hay</li> <li>Minimum 13.5 lbs/1000 lb BW as complete feed</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use ES as complete feed</li> <li>Feed soaked hay cubes if tolerated</li> </ul>
<ul><li>Exercising</li><li>Can eat hay</li><li>Poor BCS</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Support activity with calories and added fat</li> </ul>	• Equine Senior® Active (ESA)	<ul> <li>Minimum 3.0 lb/ 1000 lb BW</li> <li>Minimum 6.5 lb/1000 lb BW for light exercise</li> </ul>	Good quality forage,     1.2% BW minimum
Immunity and Inflammation Issues	Balance immune system, control inflammation	Equine Senior® or Equine Senior® Active	<ul> <li>Minimum 6.0 lbs/1000 lb BW (ES)</li> <li>Minimum 3.0 lbs/1000 lb BW (ESA)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Good quality forage, 1.2% BW minimum if tolerated. If not, feed Equine Senior® as complete feed</li> </ul>
<ul><li>Insulin resistance</li><li>Equine Metabolic Syndrome</li></ul>	Control glucose/ insulin response to feeding	WellSolve L/S®	Minimum 3.5 lbs/1000 lb BW	<ul> <li>Good quality forage, 1.2% BW minimum, tested for sugar content and soaked to reduce sugar if needed</li> </ul>
PPID (insulin controlled)	Balance immune system, control inflammation	Equine Senior® or Equine Senior® Active, add SuperSport® with muscle loss	<ul> <li>Minimum 6.0 lbs/1000 lb BW (ES)</li> <li>Minimum 3.0 lbs/1000 lb BW (ESA)</li> <li>0.5 lb/1000 lb BW SuperSport®</li> </ul>	Good quality forage, 1.2% BW minimum if tolerated. If not, feed Equine Senior® as complete feed
<ul><li>Obesity/Easy Keeper</li><li>Can eat hay</li></ul>	Prevent obesity	• Enrich Plus®	• Minimum 1.0 lb/1000 lb BW	Good quality forage, 1.2% BW minimum- use small hole hay nets, grazing muzzles

<sup>\*</sup> For horses not meeting the minimum feeding rates of products, Enrich Plus™ can be used to help balance the ration. Be sure to work with a Purina® specialist to balance rations appropriately for older horses.



