

CertiCarb Program for Commercial Horse Feeds



Program for Independent Testing of Horse Feeds for Carbohydrates

What is 'low carb'? Lower than what?
Whose definition of NSC does your horse
feed company or testing lab use? NSC= NFC?
Starch? Sugar + starch? Which test for sugar?
Whose definition of sugar? Is the test sample an
average, with a large variation between bags?

Our horses eat THIS bag, not a theoretical
average. There are too many definitions, too
much variation, too much confusion and our
horses are suffering because of it.

To eliminate all the guessing, Safergrass.org will
provide a service to horse feed companies and
hay producers to test feeds for carbohydrates all
at the same, approved professional laboratory¹
and post results for the consumer.

Features of the CertiCarb Saferfeed program:

- 4 feed samples per year will be pulled from single, individual bags of feed randomly around the region where the feed is being sold.
- Samples will be collected at the consumer level by Safergrass.org approved persons.
- Each sample will be tested for Water Soluble Carbs, Ethanol Soluble Carbs and starch by the same approved laboratory¹.
- Safergrass.org will pay for feed purchase (if necessary), sample shipping and analysis.
- Feed companies will pay for the service and the advertising on Safergrass.org and any appropriate publications / presentations by Safergrass.org.
- Results will be posted on www.safergrass.org listing number of sample collected to date with sample dates, results, and a link to manufacturer's website.
- No qualification or judgment will be made of the products. The consumer will be provided the data to make their own informed opinion.
- Once agreement to participate is made, no results may be removed from the database. If the feed company refutes the test results, a retest of the collected sample may be done (at the expense of the feed company) which is held up to 30 days after original testing by the testing laboratory¹.



¹Dairy One, Ithaca, NY

CertiCarb Program for Hay Producers and Brokers



CertiCarb Saferhay Program

- Hay grower will provide a cored sample from 15-25 bales of hay.
- The hay stack will be labeled in some fashion and a digital photograph provided to insure the consumer which stack is represented by the sample.
- The full tests results, from an approved laboratory¹ will be available to the public on www.safergrass.org
- The price of the hay, location and contact information of the grower will be posted along with the sample data on www.safergrass.org



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