



HORSE SOLUTIONS

Manage metabolism during fall grass flush: Adjusting calories and prioritizing gut health

Why fall feed transitions matter

As the days get shorter and pastures start to dwindle, horses often move from high-moisture forage (grass) to dry hay and higher concentrate rations. This change can cause:

- A drop in caloric intake levels, leading to weight loss or lack of energy
- Stress to the hindgut due to sudden fiber changes
- A reduction in digestive efficiency due to cooler weather and altered routines

Rethinking your feeding plan with intention will help keep your horse healthy, energized and thriving into the winter season.

What to watch for

- Declining body condition? Time to adjust the calorie density.
- Loose manure or gas colic? This is likely a sign of a gut flora imbalance.
- Sluggish behavior? Could be low energy from poor digestion.

The Cool Command and Summit solution

Cool Command Controlled Starch offers:

- Balanced energy from high-fat, low-starch ingredients
- Organic trace minerals and amino acids to build topline and fuel performance
- An ideal option for performance horses and those at risk for metabolic issues

Summit Active and Senior provide:

- Prebiotics and probiotics that support digestive health
- Multiple fiber sources for a smooth gut transition
- Consistent energy and nutrient density for horses of all ages

Together, Cool Command and Summit support the entire digestive tract — from the hindgut to the foregut — and help your horse adjust without undue stress.

Pro tip:

Introduce changes over seven to ten days and monitor your horse's manure, appetite and attitude. Don't wait until seeing visible weight loss before increasing the caloric density of the diet. Act now...[find a local Hubbard dealer](#).