

FAQ for Product Manufacturers

How can I find out if our product contains any Prohibited Substances?

The Equine Prohibited Substances List (EPSL) can be downloaded in a [pdf format](#). The EPSL is also available as a [database](#) and a mobile phone application.

When using the database the chemical name of the substances must be entered, rather than colloquial names, trade names or other terminology. Metabolites and substances with a similar chemical structure or biological effect to the substances listed on the EPSL are also considered as Prohibited Substances.

Can natural products e.g. herbs and essential oils be used in FEI competition?

The constituent components of all herbs and essential oils must be checked against the FEI's Equine Prohibited Substances List. The FEI issues a [warning](#) against the use of natural products.

Can the FEI check that our product does not contain Prohibited Substances?

The FEI does not provide a service, or endorse any testing scheme for ensuring products are free from Prohibited Substances.

Does the FEI have a product approval system?

No. The FEI does not have a product approval process or any form of endorsement system. The FEI cannot be connected to equine feed products/supplements since this would create a false impression that the FEI has an approval system, which is not the case.

Can I use the FEI logo on my products?

No. The FEI name and logotype is a protected brand and use of FEI branding for marketing materials is strictly prohibited by anyone else but the FEI partners/sponsors.

Can I say that my product complies with FEI policies – either on the product itself or on my website?

We strongly advise not to declare your product complies with FEI policies. The FEI Approved Laboratories follow certain standards for testing against the FEI Prohibited Substance List, with specific methods and analysis. Such standards cannot be replicated in another laboratory. In addition, testing your product once does not ensure the product's compliance in the future since raw ingredients vary in concentration of substances, ingredients can be contaminated or contamination can occur further down the product line. Declaring that your product complies with FEI policies can therefore be misleading to the consumer since you can never 100% guarantee your product is



free from Prohibited Substances. We therefore recommend you to refrain from using FEI in any context in relation to your products.

Does the Equine Prohibited Substances List change?

Yes. The Equine Prohibited Substances List (EPSL) is reviewed on an annual basis, however changes can be made prior to the completion of the annual review. Notification of any changes are published on the FEI website 90days in advance of the new list becoming effective.