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Much more than just straw
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Straw enhances intestinal activity
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Broken up and used in mixed rations
Straw is also ideal in mixed rations, for example in restorative forage, or with grain. It has been shown that it is very useful to chop up the straw to get a homogeneous mixture. But the length of the chopped straw should be at least 5 cm to prevent injury or colic. Excellent quality straw must always be used in stud farms for both bedding and forage. Straw with evident signs of mould or viral damage must not be used. The same goes for highly polluted straw containing dust, earth, mould or weeds take out. The quality parameter used for choosing hay should be applied to straw as well.

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Straw bedding for horses instead of wood shavings and sawdust?
Yes, but chopped up short, because:
• short straw gives bedding of a uniform thickness
• the animals move short straw about less with their legs (comfort)
• chopped straw absorbs urine better (straw saving)
• droppings are easy to remove (time saving)
• wet straw is easy to remove (straw saving)
• ammonia binds better thanks to the straw’s absorbing power (enhanced air quality)

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The chopped straw is ideal when used in mixed rations. It is recommended that at least 40% of the ration is made up of chopped straw. When used in this way, it has a positive effect on the animal’s digestive function, for example, it stimulates chewing and saliva production. It is particularly helpful for animals who eat too much straw as they tend to get constipated. It also helps to maintain and improve the animal’s eyesight.

Straw used as a food supplement
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The bale is fed into the hopper, drops by gravity and is chopped up by cutters. Rotary blades pick up the stalks, break them up and convey them to the screen. The size of the holes determine the grade of the chopped material. Fans located under the blades blow the shredded straw through a pipe to the storage area, up to a distance of 12 metres.
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More absorbent than longer straw

Soft and dry for the horses to lie on

Enhanced comfort better performance

Cleaner air and less liquid manure in the boxes

Much less manure

Dung easy to remove

Fixes nitrogen without acidifying the soil

If long straw is used for the bedding, the TPF STRAW CHOPPER can be used to shred the dung as well, thereby improving composting and spreading in the fields.
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