



Buying and selling natural horse products

Keeping your business, customers and animals safe



If a product claims to have a therapeutic affect or is promoted for use ‘in’ or ‘on’ an animal then it may require registration with the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA).

Some ‘natural’ horse products claim to provide a therapeutic benefit or enhance physical qualities of your horse, but if these products aren’t registered with the APVMA they may not be safe or work as claimed.

Actions you can take to ensure you buy registered veterinary chemical products:



- » Flip the pack and check the back for the APVMA or NRA approval number
- » Search the APVMA chemical database for the product name and to confirm the registration details: portal.apvma.gov.au/pubcris
- » Be aware that veterinary chemical products for sale in other countries are not always legal to sell or use in Australia
- » If you’re not sure about a veterinary chemical product contact the APVMA or speak to your veterinarian.

WHY DO VETERINARY PRODUCTS NEED TO BE APVMA REGISTERED?

It is illegal to manufacture, import, possess, advertise, supply or sell unregistered veterinary chemical products in Australia. In addition to financial penalties for breaking the law, unregistered products can have harmful effects on treated animals and fail to deliver the benefits claimed.

APVMA registration not only provides assurance of a product’s safety and effectiveness, it also helps protect you and your business.

UNSURE IF A PRODUCT IS APVMA REGISTERED?

If you have bought a product that you think should be registered but doesn’t have an APVMA approval number on the label, please contact the APVMA.

Reports of possible non-compliance are treated confidentially and help ensure possibly unsafe or ineffective products do not continue to be offered for supply in Australia.

The APVMA is the Australian Government regulator of agricultural and veterinary (agvet) chemical products.



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