

WAC 16-250-082 Nonprotein nitrogen. (1) Urea and other nonprotein nitrogen products defined in the AAFCO *Official Publication* are acceptable ingredients only in commercial feeds for ruminant animals as a source of equivalent crude protein. If the commercial feed contains more than 8.75 percent of equivalent crude protein from all forms of nonprotein nitrogen, added as such, or the equivalent crude protein from all forms of nonprotein nitrogen, added as such, exceeds one-third of the total crude protein, the LABEL shall bear adequate directions for the safe use of feeds and a precautionary statement: "CAUTION: USE AS DIRECTED." The directions for use and the caution statement shall be in type of such size so placed on the LABEL that they will be read and understood by ordinary persons under customary conditions of purchase and use.

(2) Feeding or use directions for those feeds in which more than 50 percent of the protein content is derived from nonprotein nitrogen sources shall include recommendations as to providing adequate supplies of drinking water, sources of energy, forages being fed, minerals, adaptation ("warm-up") periods and stress conditions when necessary.

(3) Nonprotein nitrogen defined in the AAFCO *Official Publication*, when so indicated, are acceptable ingredients in commercial feeds distributed to nonruminant animals as a source of nutrients other than equivalent crude protein. The maximum equivalent crude protein from nonprotein nitrogen sources when used in nonruminant rations shall not exceed 1.25 percent of the total daily ration.

(4) On LABELS such as those for medicated feeds which bear adequate feeding directions and/or warning statements, the presence of added nonprotein nitrogen shall not require a duplication of the feeding directions or the precautionary statements as long as those statements include sufficient information to ensure the safe and effective use of this product due to the presence of nonprotein nitrogen.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.53.9012. WSR 25-13-018, s 16-250-082, filed 6/6/25, effective 7/7/25. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.53.9012, 15.53.9013, 15.53.9016, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 18-21-191, § 16-250-082, filed 10/24/18, effective 11/24/18.]