

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
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Rule Change Intent

Chinks and chaps are closely related as Western attire and chinks are often included alongside chaps in many of the USEF breed chapters as options for attire in Western based classes. The Western committee recognizes the rise in popularity of chinks within the Western division, specifically in Ranch classes, and would like to add them alongside chaps to the personal appointments section of the WS chapter.

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Linked Rules	Comments
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Committee Actions

SUBCHAPTER WS-1 GENERAL

WS104 Personal Appointments

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2. Riders must wear a Western hat, long-sleeved shirt any type of collar, (exhibitors in National Show Horse, and Saddlebred divisions must wear a necktie, kerchief or bolo tie) trousers or pants and boots; (a one-piece long-sleeved equitation suit is acceptable provided it includes any type of collar). Chaps, shotgun chaps, **chinks**, and spurs are optional unless riders are showing in trail or pleasure class (riders showing at an Arabian, Half Arabian, Morgan or National Show Horse competition must wear chaps). A vest, jacket, coat and/or sweater may also be worn. Whips are not allowed except with side saddle. (See GR1310.2 Dispensations). Protective headgear may be worn without penalty; not required to be of Western style. Refer to GR801.