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## Rule Change Intent

Additional language is being proposed to the Ranch Division in the Saddlebred Chapter to note that it is appropriate to tie a tail up neatly during Ranch Competitions.

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## Linked Rules

## Comments

## Committee Actions

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## **SUBCHAPTER SB-22 RANCH RIDING**

Ranch Riding classes held in the Saddlebred Division to be conducted in accordance with SUBCHAPTER WS-6 RANCH SECTION, except as stated herein:

1. Hoof black is discouraged but will not be penalized.
2. Tongue Ties are permitted
3. For Saddlebred Ranch Riding, patterns found on the ASHBA website are preferred
4. Tail extensions are permitted and must not be penalized. ***A long tail may be tied up in a neat fashion to prevent the horse from stepping on and/or breaking it.***

## **SUBCHAPTER SB-23 RANCH RAIL PLEASURE**

Ranch Horse Rail Pleasure classes held in the Saddlebred Division to be conducted in accordance with SUBCHAPTER WS-6 RANCH SECTION, except as stated herein:

1. In addition to the Gaits rules found under WS138, for the walk, a horse should display a natural head carriage.
2. Saddlebred Ranch Horse Rail Pleasure will apply both Minor and Major penalties as seen below:
  - a. Minor Penalties are as follows:
    1. Too slow at any gait.
    2. Over-- bridled/ behind the bit.
    3. Break of gait.
    4. Wrong lead
    5. Out of Frame
    6. Wrong lead, out of lead, or cross-cantering
    7. Draped Reins
    8. Trotting more than two strides when taking lead
  - b. Major Penalties are as follows:
    1. Blatant disobedience
    2. Kick out, buck, rear
    3. Major disobedience or schooling by rider
    4. Failure to flat walk or halt.
    5. Schooling
    6. Spurring in front of cinch
  - c. Disqualification
    1. Use of either hand to install fear
    2. Lameness
3. In addition to the Tack/Equipment rules as seen in WS138.1, the following rules will apply for Saddlebred Ranch Horse Rail Pleasure:
  - a. Attire and tack should be clean and presentable.
  - b. Working tack is encouraged.
  - c. Hoof polish is not prohibited but is discouraged.
  - d. Split or romal reins are permitted.
  - e. Scarves or wild rags are allowed.
  - f. Tongue ties are permitted.
  - g. Only one hand may be used on the reins, except for junior horses shown two-- handed in a snaffle bit or hackamore/bosal. Hands must not be changed. For split reins, rider may place index finger between the reins. Romal reins shall be held with fingers around the reins, no fingers between the reins. Posting or standing at the extended trot is acceptable. Holding the saddle horn at any extended gait is permitted.
  - h. Tail extensions are permitted. ***A long tail may be tied up in a neat fashion to prevent the horse from stepping on and/or breaking it.***
4. [...]

## **SUBCHAPTER SB-24 RANCH TRAIL SECTION**

Ranch Trail Section classes held in the Saddlebred Division to be conducted in accordance with SUBCHAPTER WS-6 RANCH SECTION, except as stated herein:

1. [...]
8. Tail extensions are permitted. ***A long tail may be tied up in a neat fashion to prevent the horse from stepping on/breaking it.***
9. [...]