

FIELD GUIDE TO THE RULES FOR LUNGEING HORSES AT DRESSAGE COMPETITIONS

DR120.20. Lungeing. Longeurs must use a single lunge line that goes directly from the hand of the longeur and attaches to a halter, a lungeing cavesson, or the snaffle bit of the bridle (either on the same side as the handler or across the head or under/around the chin to the snaffle ring on the opposite side from the handler). A double bridle may not be worn while lungeing.

21. Single direct side reins, which are affixed to the bit and to the girth, saddle, or surcingle on the side of the horse (not between the legs), or double sliding side reins (triangle reins) are permitted only when lungeing (mounted or unmounted). Double sliding side reins may be attached to the saddle, surcingle and/or girth as pictured in Figure 121.12. Driving and long lining are prohibited.

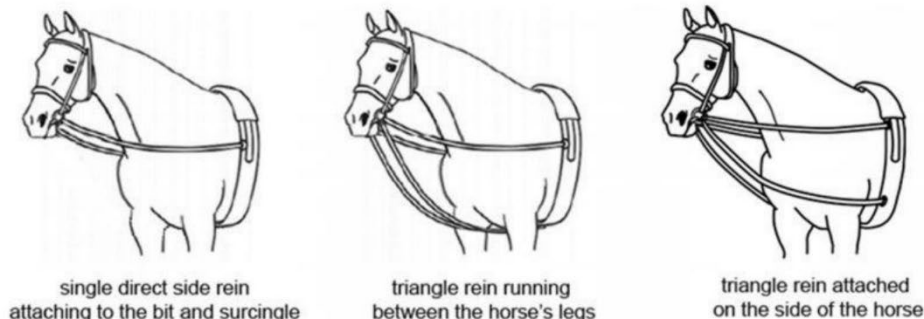
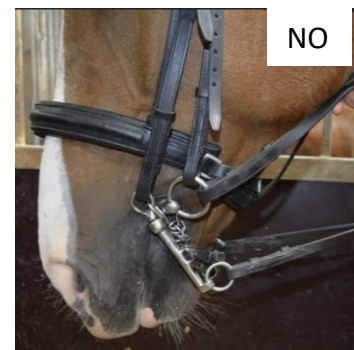


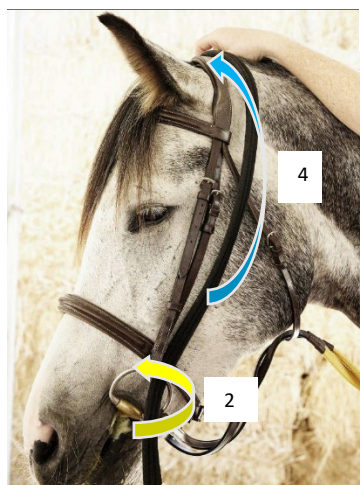
Figure 121.12: Side reins permitted during lungeing. Left to right: single direct side rein, triangle rein attached between the legs, and triangle rein attached on the side of the chest.

A horse can wear a snaffle bridle, a halter or a lungeing cavesson (third). **Double Bridles are not allowed.**

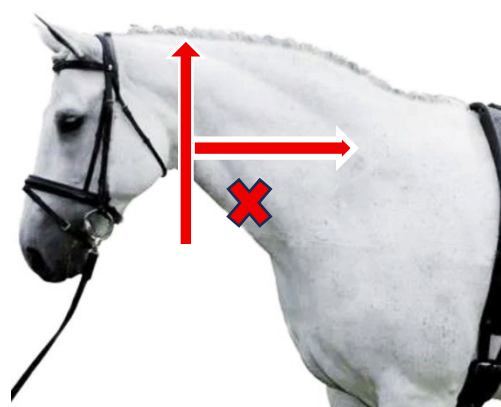


The lunge line must run to the horses' head and be attached there. It can attach to any standard place on the head but cannot be run from the head back to anywhere behind the throat of the horse.

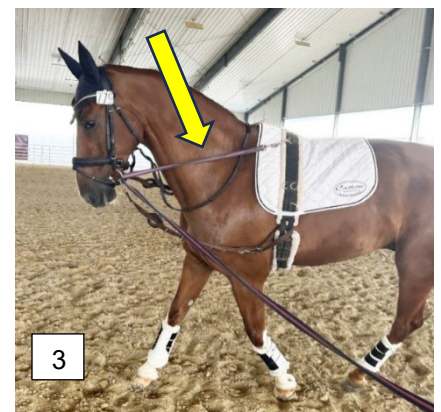
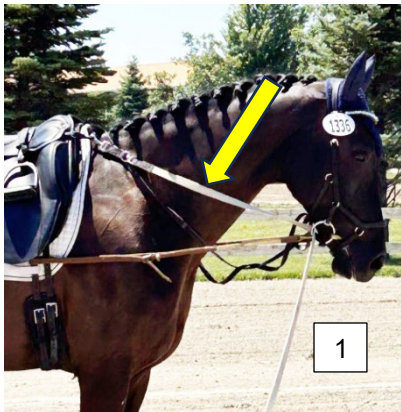
1. The lunge line can run to the bit/halter ring/cavesson ring on the near side and stop.
2. It can run to the bit/halter ring, through the ring and under the chin to attach to the ring on the off side.
3. It can run through the ring and up over the head to attach to the opposite ring.
4. From #4, it could then run from the opposite ring under the chin and hook to the near side ring.
5. It can run to the halter ring, over the nose and attach to the opposite ring.



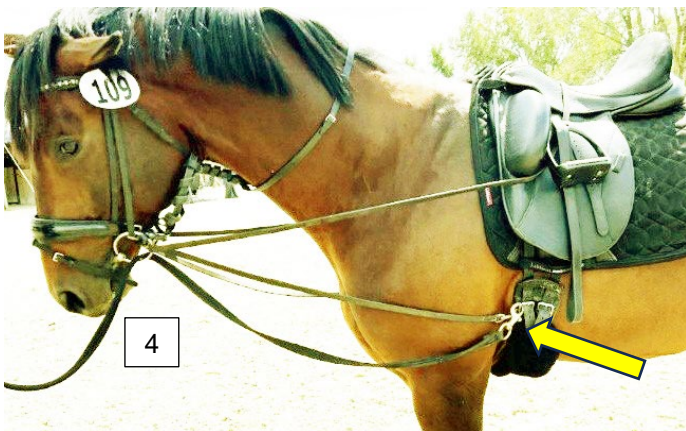
The lunge line **cannot** run back from the head.



Some examples of the improper use of lungeing equipment



1. Line runs through the bit ring to the saddle.
2. Line runs through bit ring to girth.
3. Line runs through bit ring to surcingle.
4. The line has been run through the bit ring, back to the girth and the snap of the line is at the girth.
5. This is a not allowed configuration/use of triangle reins.



BELOW ARE EXAMPLES OF SOME NOT ALLOWED ITEMS:



6. Lunging a horse while it is wearing a double bridle is not allowed.
7. Long Lining a horse is not allowed. Note the two lines being utilized.
8. This is a head setting device that runs as a side rein would but it does not stop at the bit ring. It goes up over the horses' head. Some of these run between the front legs and up over the head.