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Rule Change Intent

Change wording on safety stirrups in DR rules to be compliant with USEF rule change on safety stirrups.

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Linked Rules

Comments

Human and Equine, Safety & Welfare

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 03/23/2026

Draft 1: The committee feels that the GR regarding saddle attachments should stand, and there is not a need to have additional language in discipline rules that just reiterates the rule/refers back to the rule.

Member Comments

DR121. Saddlery and Equipment. Change to read:

1.a. Stirrups. English-style stirrups without attachments or safety stirrups shall be used. Safety stirrups must have closed branches of metal or other breakaway material or mechanism. The foot must not be fully or partially enclosed and must in no way be attached to the stirrups (for example with magnets); however, a safety stirrup may have a magnetic mechanism that closes the breakaway branch. ***The closing mechanism for safety stirrups must not have an upward projecting hook or similar closure and must be in compliance with GR801.11.*** The stirrup leathers must hang freely from their anchor point without additional attachments to the saddle or girth.