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Rule Change Intent

Recent competitions have highlighted issues where competitors were not permitted to put their martingales on after the flat. The Equitation Task Force believes this poses a significant safety risk and strongly recommends that the rulebook be amended to require that competitors be allowed to put back on all tack/equipment that was used in the preliminary over fences round before proceeding to test.

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Linked Rules

Comments

Arabian

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Council - Natl Breed & Discipline

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National Hunter Committee

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Member Comments

EQ106 Appointments
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5. Tack. Judges may penalize but not eliminate a horse or pony that competes in unconventional tack. Judges must eliminate a horse or pony that competes in illegal tack. ***Following the flat portion of a class, judges must allow competitors to replace all tack/equipment that was used in the preliminary over fences round prior to testing.***

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