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Rule Change Intent

Effective December 1, 2023 (Tracking #156-22), Annex 1 was re-written to include saddlery information for all three phases of eventing. The proposal moves the reference from the dressage section to the top of the subchapter to calrify Annex 1 should be consulted for all three phases. Additionally, the language is updated as the Annex outlines all saddlery, not just bits and nosebands.

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Comments

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SUBCHAPTER EV-10 SADDLERY

See also Annex 1 posted on the Federation website for additional information on permitted saddlery for national Events.

1. EXERCISE AREAS. The following restrictions begin at 3:00 p.m. of the day prior to the start of the entire competition and continue throughout the duration of the event.

2. DRESSAGE TEST

d. It may have a cavesson noseband, dropped noseband, crossed noseband, or flash noseband.

1. The noseband must be made entirely of leather or leather like material, except for a small disc of sheepskin, which may be used in the intersection of the two leather straps of a crossed noseband.

e. A breast plate may be used. ~~For drawings of permitted bits and nosebands see Annex 1on the Federation website for Approved Bits for National Competitions. Permitted bits for a particular test are specified on each test.~~

f. Martingales, bit guards, any kind of gadgets (such as bearing, side, running or balancing reins, etc.), reins with any loops or hand attachments, and any form of blinkers, including earmuffs, earplugs, hoods, fly masks, goggles, and seat covers are, under penalty of elimination, strictly forbidden.