

## CR APPENDIX 4: DRESS GUIDELINES - HORSE TRIALS AND FOTH CHALLENGE AND ARENA EVENTING

HORSE TRIALS & FOTH CHALLENGE		
<b>Hats</b> (Must be worn to at least this standard with a harness properly adjusted and fastened – Skull caps must be worn with a silk). <b>All Hats must be BRC, PC or BE tagged</b>	<b>British</b>	PAS 015: 1998 or 2011 provided they are BSI Kitemarked or Inspec IC Marked VG1 01.040: 2014-12 provided they are BSI Kitemarked or Inspec IC Marked
	<b>European</b>	VG1 01.040: 2014-12 provided they are BSI Kitemarked or Inspec IC Marked
	<b>America</b>	ASTM F1163: 2004a or 04a onwards provided they are SEI marked SNELL E2001 and SNELL E2016
	<b>Australian and New Zealand</b>	AS/NZS 3838: 2006 onwards provided they are SAI global marked
<b>Jodhpurs &amp; Breeches</b>	White, cream or beige breeches or jodhpurs	
<b>Boots</b>	Long riding boots designed for riding are to be worn. Short riding boots with gaiters of the same leather and colour may be worn. Suede half chaps may be worn providing they are of identical colour to the boots and have no decoration of any sort.	
<b>Jackets, Shirts &amp; Body Protectors</b>	Sweatshirt or shirt. Short sleeved shirts may be worn at the discretion of the organiser. Stocks should be properly tied. <b>A body protector Level 3 2009 or after purple label or a blue 2018 label or after</b> should be fitted and worn as per the manufacturers' guidelines. See also G22.3. Hybrid Air- jackets and air jackets incorporated into a blouson style jacket are permitted. Service Dress is permitted. Exo Body Cages are permitted with a Level 3 2000 purple label.	
<b>Hair &amp; Jewellery</b>	Hair must be neatly secured and must not hang lower than the shoulder line when standing normally. <b>Any item of jewellery or alternative medical treatment wrist bands must be covered up by clothing or gloves, if they cannot be removed, they are worn at the riders own risk.</b>	
<b>Gloves</b>	Gloves are recommended.	
<b>Whips</b>	One whip is permitted and MUST be between 45cm and 75cm and must not be weighted or with a hard point at the end. <b>The end of the whip must be padded. The 'pad' must be smooth with no protrusion or raised surface (which includes embroidery), and be made of a shock absorbing material throughout its circumference.</b>	
<b>Spurs</b>	Spurs must be made out of smooth material (metal or plastic), including the band around the heel which must be blunt and be incapable of wounding a horse. The overall length of the spur is not to exceed 4cm from the back of the boot to the end of the spur in its entirety. One pair of securely fastened spurs worn in the traditional manner only may be worn, with the curve, if any, with the shank pointing to the rear and the end clearly horizontal to the ground or pointing downwards. Comb, tines and 'spursader' style spurs are not permitted. Rowel spurs are permitted but must be round, smooth and free to rotate.	
<b>Medical Armbands</b>	<b>Medical armbands are strongly recommended and must be properly completed with the relevant competitor's details and worn on the arm.</b>	
<b>Watches</b>	Stop watches are permitted in BRC Horse Trials at all levels but are forbidden in any FOTH Challenge and Arena Eventing classes. Competitors are not permitted to take mobile phones onto the course when competing.	



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**The following ARE permitted:**

- English type saddles
- A noseband is compulsory
- More than one noseband may be worn at a time
- Only one martingale (Irish or running) running MUST have rein stops
- Tongue guards that are properly made and detached from the reins and bit
- Hackamores and other bitless bridles
- Micklem Bridles with permitted bits
- A stallion disc MUST be displayed on each side of a stallions bridle at all times
- Nose nets that are discreet and cover the nose only, leaving the mouth and bit visible
- Ear covers and fly hoods are permitted for all competitions, and may also provide noise reduction. Ear covers/fly hoods must not cover the horse's eyes and should be discreet in colour and design
- Fly Fringes
- Bitguards provided that they are made of rubber and are smooth on both sides
- Breastplate
- Neckstraps at any level
- Anti-fly impregnated browbands or fly repellent disc
- Numnahs and saddle cloths
- Boots and bandages
- Sponsors logos on clothing (see discipline rules)
- ***Medical armbands are strongly recommended and must be properly completed with the relevant competitor's details and worn on the arm.***
- Stopwatches are allowed at all levels of BRC HT but are not permitted in BRC Challenge & Arena Eventing.

**The following ARE NOT permitted:**

- Side saddles and Racing saddles
- Saddle covers and seat savers, except an unobtrusive saddle coloured gel pad seat saver, unless the rider has dispensation from BRC office
- Market Harborough
- Side, draw, check or running reins
- Standing martingales and combination martingales
- Blinkers or hoods which impede the horses vision
- Fine wire, twine or cord around the horse's mouth
- Full faced fly shields
- Sheepskin cheek pieces or any other attachment that may affect the horse's vision
- Tongue strap
- Substitutes for conventional shoes, except in warm up
- Electronic devices or head cams.

***You may not warm up in equipment not permitted in the actual competition.  
Where this list does not specify, please see the relevant disciplines guidelines.***