

Riding IBOP Attire and Tack Information

Attire:

Ridden IBOP-Standard National level dressage dress is required. A short riding coat of conservative color, with tie, choker or stock tie, white or light colored breeches or jodhpurs, boots or jodhpur boots, and protective headgear*. Gloves of conservative color are recommended.

***FHANA has chosen to align with the United States Equestrian Federation's rules regarding protective headgear. Below is the related USEF Rule that can also be found here, <http://www.usef.org/IFrames/RuleBook/rules.aspx>**

Protective Headgear DR120.5- At any time while mounted on the competition grounds, all riders under age 18, all riders while on horses competing in national level tests, all riders competing in Para-Equestrian tests, and all riders while on non-competing horses, must wear protective headgear as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR801. When a horse is competing in both national and FEI levels or tests (e.g. Fourth Level and PSG), the rider must wear protective headgear at all times when mounted on that horse on the competition grounds and during all tests. Any rider violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further riding until such headgear is properly in place. Any other exhibitor may wear protective headgear at any level of competition without penalty from the judge. Protective headgear is defined as a riding helmet which meets or exceeds ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. The harness must be secured and properly fitted. Unless jackets are waived, while in the competition ring, exhibitors wearing protective headgear must wear a short, dark jacket, dark tail coat (only permitted for tests above Fourth Level), or Armed Services or police uniform (if eligible), dark hatcovers (where applicable) and must otherwise conform to DR120 (see GR801).

Tack:

Bridle and snaffle with drop nose band, English or combined nose band; single thick bit (metal or rubber); and single or double reins. The use of martingales and balancing reins, bandages, boots and brushing boots is not permitted. The use of spurs and whip is permitted.

Please refer to USEF Rule DR 121 for appropriate tack for Second Level and below. That can be found here, <http://www.usef.org/documents/ruleBook/2011/08-DR.pdf>

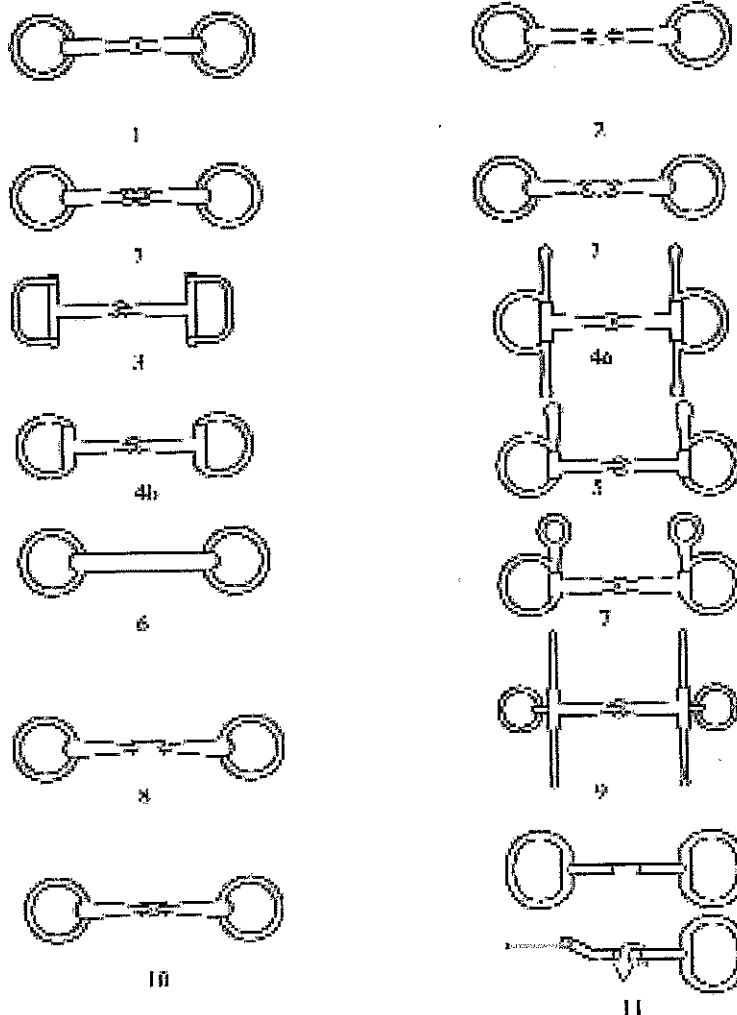
Below are a few excerpts (not the entire rule) from the USEF Rule DR 121

DR 121.2. For Training, First and Second Level tests and FEI Pony tests, a plain snaffle bridle is required with a regular cavesson, a dropped noseband, a flash noseband (a combination of a cavesson noseband and a dropped noseband attachment) or a crossed noseband....a crescent noseband is also permitted at these levels. Except for the crescent noseband, buckles and a small disk of sheepskin, which may be used in the intersection of the two leather straps of a crossed noseband, the headstall and cavesson/noseband of the bridle must be made entirely of leather or leather-like material. A padded cavesson/noseband and crownpiece are allowed. A browband is required, and except for the parts that attach to the crownpiece or headstall, is not required to be made of leather or leather-like material.

Figure 1. Bits Permitted in Dressage.

All bits (in A and B below) must be smooth and with a solid surface. Twisted, wire and roller bits are prohibited. A bushing or coupling is permitted as the center link in a double jointed snaffle, however, the surface of the center piece must be solid with no moveable parts. The mouthpiece of a snaffle may be shaped in a slight curve, but ported snaffles are prohibited.The diameter of the snaffle or bridoon mouthpiece must be minimum 10 mm diameter at rings or cheeks of the mouthpiece (exception: for ponies, the diameter may be less than 10 mm). The diameter of the curb mouthpiece must be minimum 12 mm at the cheeks of the mouthpieceAny bit combining any mouthpiece pictured in Figure 1A with any cheekpiece pictured in Figure1A is permitted. Type of bit should not vary from those pictured below except where specified, and bits should be attached only as pictured in diagram.....A cavesson, dropped, crossed or flash noseband is allowed when a snaffle bridle is used in warmup or competition, except as prohibited for some tests.

A. PERMITTED SNAFFLES* (Must be used in Training-Second Level Tests. Optional in Third and Fourth Level Tests.)



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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ordinary snaffle with single-jointed mouthpiece. 2. Ordinary snaffle with double-jointed mouthpiece. 3. Racing snaffle (D-ring). 4. Snaffle. A) with cheeks, with or without keepers.
B) without cheeks (Egg-butt). 5. Snaffle with upper or lower cheeks. 6. Unjointed snaffle (Mullen-mouth). | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Snaffle with cheeks. (Hanging or drop cheek; Baucher). This may be a D-ring or other ordinary snaffle as pictured in Nos. 1-6. 8. Dr. Bristol. 9. Fulmer. 10. French snaffle. 11. Snaffle with rotating mouthpiece. |
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*Any of the above may be made with a rubber, plastic or leather covering, but the bit may not be modified by adding latex or other material. Bits with mouthpieces made of synthetic material are permitted, provided that the contours of the bit conform to the contours of one of the bits pictured above. Flexible rubber or synthetic mouthpieces are permitted.