

Equipment Clarification Document

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For the rules and regulations on Saddlery and Equipment, please see Rule 102 and the British Showjumping Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse (Annex A) in the Members Handbook.

To help clarify the equipment rules, the following table has been compiled detailing the permitted or prohibited status of equipment that has been queried. **Please note:** This is not an exhaustive list of all permitted or prohibited equipment. If you have any questions about equipment, please email sportteam@britishshowjumping.co.uk.

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Bits and Hackamores

Equipment	Status
Acavello 'Jumpe' AlPro Bit	Not permitted
Acavello Sensitive Bit	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Acavello Wave Pelham	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition with or without a
Sensitive Bit	backstrap. Not to be used with a chain or curb chain.
American Gag	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition, with or without a backstrap.
Cheltenham Gag with two reins	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Double Bridle with	Not permitted. Double Bridles must only be used with two
Roundings	separate reins.
Double Twisted Wire Full Cheek Snaffle	Not permitted.
Elevator Bit	Permitted with or without backstrap in Senior and Junior competition. Can be used with roundings. Not permitted with a curb chain.
Hackamore	Permitted in Senior competitions. Not permitted in Junior competition, except for 148cm Pony Gold League classes.
Hackamore used in	Use of hackamore and single ring snaffle bit is permitted but
conjunction with a Bit	must not be joined together and must operate independently
Julia Sweet Iron	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition. Can be used with a
Kimblehook	stabilising strap. Only permitted with a curb chain if compliant with Rule 102.7a.
Liverpool Driving Bit	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition with or without a
	backstrap. Not permitted with a curb chain.
Micklem Multibridle	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition with a permitted bit.
Mikmar Combination Bit	Not permitted.
Myler Combination Bit	Permitted in Senior competition. Not permitted in Junior competition.
Pee Wee Bit	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Pelham Gag Bit	Not permitted
Pessoa Softening Bit	Permitted in Senior competition. Not permitted in Junior competitions.
Simpson Controller Bit	Not permitted.
Trust Kimblewick	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition. Can be used with a
	stabilising strap. Only permitted with a curb chain if compliant with Rule 102.7a.
Universal with sweet iron	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Myler mouthpiece	Desmitted in Conjor and Lunior compatition
Whitaker Universal Bit	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.

Curbs and Backstraps

Equipment Status	
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Curb Gag	Permitted in Senior competition. Only permitted in Junior
	competitions if used with an additional rein attached directly to
	the large ring of the Bit.
Nutcracker Backstrap	Not permitted.

Martingales

Equipment	Status
Bib Martingale	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Standing/Running	Not permitted.
Martingale attached to	
Back Strap of	
Combination Bit	
Running Martingale with	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Round Elastic Fork	
Standing Martingale	Not permitted.
with PS of Sweden High	
Jump Bridle	
Standing martingale	Not permitted.
with rope noseband	
Bib Martingale with	Not permitted
added Standing	
Martingale attachment	

Nosebands

Equipment	Status
Brazilian Noseband	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition. Not permitted for use
	with a standing martingale.
Chained Noseband and/	Not permitted.
or chained flash strap	
Crank Cavesson	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition. Can be used with a
	standing martingale if attached to the whole of the back of the
	Noseband.
Double Noseband	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Elastic Grackle	Not permitted.
Flash Strap	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Grackle Noseband	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
with Sheepskin Cover	
Kineton Noseband	Permitted in Senior competition. Not permitted in Junior
	competition.
Relaxer Drop Noseband	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Valla Noseband	Not permitted.
Worcester Noseband	Permitted in Senior competition. Not permitted in Junior
	competition.

Boots, Wraps and Bandages

Equipment Status	
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Hoof Boots	Not permitted at any time when mounted or when exercising the
	Horse/Pony, including when lunging. Permitted in the stable area
	and grazing areas.
Le Mieux	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition on front legs but not
Snug Boots	hind legs.
Pastern Wraps	Permitted as per Rule 102 16.9 amendment
Scoot Boots	Not permitted at British Showjumping competitions

Spurs - Rule 101.9

Equipment	Status
Flex-On Spurs	Not permitted.
Sprenger Fair rider Spurs	Not permitted.
Tech Spurs with Fixed End	Permitted but must have padlock symbol.

Stirrups

Equipment	Status
Compositi Matrix	Not permitted.
Stirrup Treads	
CS Kvall Stirrups	Not permitted.
Safety Flexi	
Endurance	
Ophena Stirrups	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.

Hoods, Visors and Masks

Equipment	Status
Equick Evysor	Not permitted at any time when mounted or when exercising the
Protective Eye	Horse/Pony, including when lunging. Permitted in the stable area
Goggles	and grazing areas.
Equiline Soundless	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Ear Net	
Liquid Titanium	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Horse Mask	
Nose Nets	Permitted if they are fitted correctly and do not cover the mouth
	completely.
UV Protection Mask	Not permitted at any time when mounted or when exercising the
	Horse/Pony, including when lunging. Permitted in the stable area
	and grazing areas.

Training Aids

Equipment	Status
Balanced Support	Not permitted at British Showjumping competitions.
Reins	
De-Gogue	Not permitted at British Showjumping competitions.

Equilibrium Symmetry	Not permitted at British Showjumping competitions
Straps	
Equi-Seat Aid	Not permitted at British Showjumping competitions.
Rainbow Reins	Not permitted at British Showjumping competitions.
ReinRite	Not permitted at British Showjumping competitions.
Training Aid	
The Equi-Band	Not permitted at British Showjumping competitions.
System	
ThinLine Busy Buddy –	Not permitted at British Showjumping competitions.
Horse Calmer –	
Training Aid	

Saddlery

Equipment	Status
Full Tree	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Racing Saddle	

Other

Equipment	Status
Flexi Reins	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Free Jump Collar	Permitted providing it is held in the hands and not attached to the
	reins.
Kinesiology Tape	Not permitted at any time when mounted or when exercising the
	Horse/Pony, including when lunging. Permitted in the stable area
	and grazing areas.
Nasal Strips	Permitted in Senior and Junior competition.
Protec Equine Mouth	Not permitted.
Guard	
Throatlash Roller	Not permitted.
Tongue Strap	Not permitted.