

NOT PERMITTED

Headstalls with metal (no matter how wrapped) or twisted rawhide over the poll



PERMITTED

Gag/slip bit used with 3/8" rope or leather over poll



KNOW YOUR EQUIPMENT

NOT PERMITTED

Curb bit used with running martingale without rein stops
Must have rein stops



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Running martingale with rein stops



NOT PERMITTED

Bumper bits metal under jaw not permitted no matter how wrapped or padded



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German martingale



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For more information and a list of fines and penalties, please visit aqha.com/animalwelfare

A dedication to putting the American Quarter Horse first led the AQHA Executive Committee to make changes in AQHA rules regarding equipment use at all AQHA-approved shows and approved a structure of fines and penalties that will be assessed to violators of these rules.

For more information on permitted/not permitted equipment and a list of fines and penalties, please visit aqha.com/animalwelfare.

ALL PERMITTED EQUIPMENT MUST BE PROPERLY ADJUSTED!

“The greatest danger to our industry is the inhumane treatment of our horses during their training and the resulting appearance in the show ring.”

- Jim Heird, executive professor and coordinator of the equine sciences initiative at Texas A&M University, former chairman of the AQHA Animal Welfare Commission and 2018 AQHA President.

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Attachment for draw reins



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Curb straps



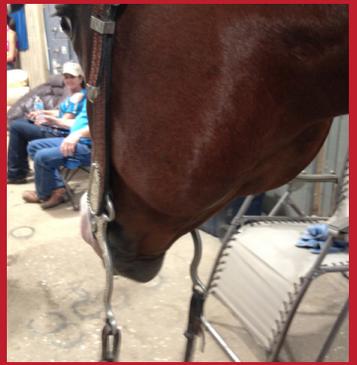
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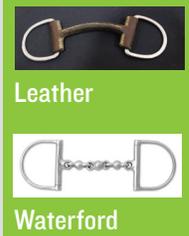


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Riding without curb strap



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Leather

Waterford

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This bit is illegal, because outside of the mouth piece drops below the bars and potentially it could sit this way inside the horse's mouth.



NOT PERMITTED USE OF CHAIN



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Metal bosals (no matter how wrapped)



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Chambon



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Metal Cavesson and Tie Downs (no matter how wrapped or covered)

