

ASSOCIATION OF IRISH RIDING CLUBS

TACK SHEET

PURE DRESSAGE							
EQUIPMENT	NOTES	P	AP	I	AI	O	AO
RIDING HAT	EN 1384 (BS recommended), PAS 015 (1998), ASTM F 1163-95, ASTM Snell E95 (SEI). Black or Navy covers only.	C	C	C	C	C	C
BODY PROTECTOR		R	R	R	R	R	R
WHIP	Whips up to 1.10m permitted.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
RIDER DRESS	Show Jackets must be black or navy blue. Breeches / Jophurs must be white, cream or beige. AO riders may wear top hat & tails if schedule allows.	C	C	C	C	C	C
FOOTWEAR	Boots must be black or brown. Half chaps are not permitted. Leather gaiters worn with matching boots are permitted.	C	C	C	C	C	C
GLOVES		C	C	C	C	C	C
SPURS	Blunt spurs of plain metal only. The curve must be pointed downwards. Plastic spurs are not permitted.	x	x	✓	✓	✓	✓
JEWELLERY	Jewellery that is considered to be hazardous should not be worn. It is the riders' responsibility if it is worn.	-	-	-	-	-	-
SNAFFLE BRIDLE	Three ring bits are not permitted.	C	C	C	C	✓	✓
PELHAM BRIDLE		x	x	x	x	x	x
DOUBLE BRIDLE	O / AO riders may use a double bridle if the schedule permits.	x	x	x	x	✓	✓
BITGUARDS		x	x	x	x	x	x
NOSEBANDS	Rope or sheepskin nosebands are not permitted. Grackle nosebands are now permitted.	C	C	C	C	C	C
MARTINGALE		x	x	x	x	x	x
BOOTS / BANDAGES		x	x	x	x	x	x
RUNNING REINS		x	x	x	x	x	x
SADDLE CLOTHS		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
FLY FRINGES		x	x	x	x	x	x

C = Compulsory

✓ = Permitted

R = Recommended

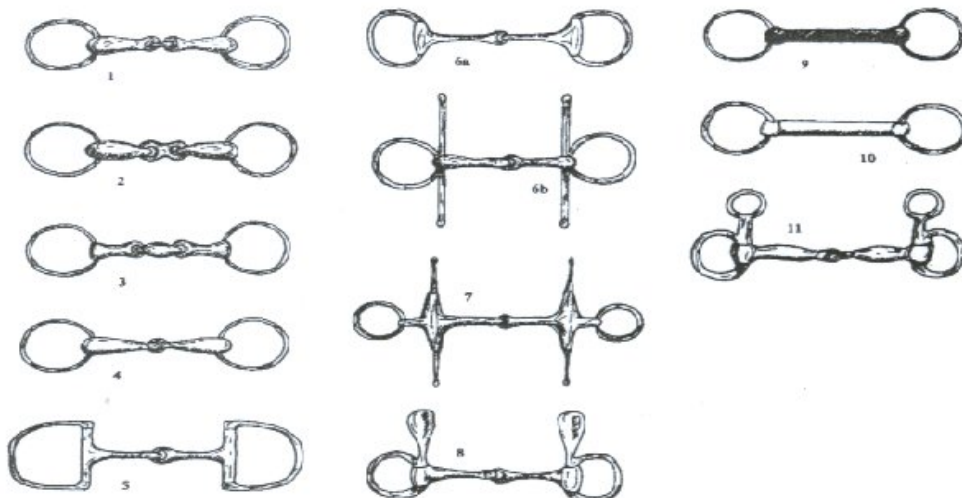
x = Forbidden

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PERMITTED BITS

Bits should follow the configuration of those illustrated below. No variations other than those illustrated may be used. They may be used with any of the cheeks or rings illustrated.

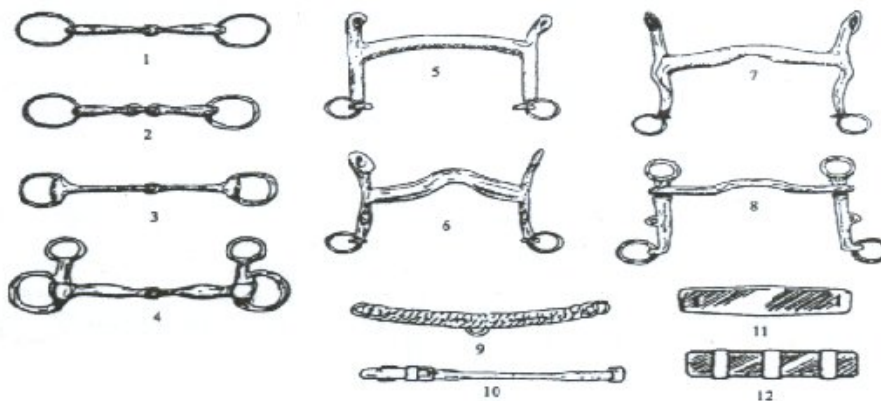


1. Ordinary snaffle with double-jointed mouthpiece
2. Ordinary snaffle with double-jointed mouthpiece (French Link)
3. Ordinary snaffle with jointed mouthpiece with Lozenge
4. Ordinary snaffle with jointed mouthpiece
5. Racing Snaffle (D ring)
6. Egg-butt snaffle (a, without cheeks; b, with cheeks)
7. Other type of snaffle with cheeks
8. Snaffle with upper cheeks only
9. Rubber, leather or plastic snaffle jointed or unjointed
10. Unjointed snaffle
11. Hanging cheeks egg butt snaffle or loose ring hanging snaffle

Snaffle bits with rotating middle piece is now permitted.

Double Bridle (Open & Advanced Open Riders only)

Bits should follow the configuration of those illustrated below. Rigid plastic bits are permissible in a double bridle, however, flexible rubber bits are not permissible. Bridoon bits with a rotating middle piece is now permitted.



Various Bridoon Bits

1. Ordinary bridoon bit
2. Bridoon bit with two joints
3. Egg-butt bridoon bit
4. Bridoon bit with cheeks

Various Types of Curb Bits

5. Half-moon bit
6. Curb bit with curved cheeks and port
7. Curb bit with loops for the lipstrap on the cheeks and with port
8. Curb bit with port and sliding mouthpiece (Weymouth)
9. Curb chain
10. Lipstrap
11. Rubber cover for curb chain
12. Leather cover for curb chain
13. Leather curb chain, not shown above (not permitted under FEI rules)

Bridoon & Curb bits must be made of metal or rigid plastic and may be covered with plastic. Wrapping of bits and flexible rubber bits are not permitted.