

See here Rules for all Riding Dress.

Note that the rule on **Body protectors** is changing on 1st Jan 2024.

Navy and Black **jodhpurs** and breeches are now acceptable, along with White, Cream and Beige.

Hats – Remember, **no Fixed Peak** riding hats on the XC course. And **as from 1st Jan 2023**, the PAS015: 1998 and the SNELL E2001 are no longer acceptable at competitions.

Jackets can now be of any conservative colours in muted tones, but not multi coloured or boldly pinstriped.

Hair & Jewellery, Beccles & Bungay RC request competitors to secure their hair above shoulder level please, and to keep jewellery to stud earrings, and a simple finger ring

Whips for Show jumping and Cross country should be between 45cm & 75cm, and not weighted, and the end should be padded. This rule will be enforced at our competitions this year. For Dressage, a whip of any length is ok.

For details on **Spurs**, please see appropriate section covering Dressage, Show jumping or Cross country

Hats

Hats which meet the standards below must be worn with a harness properly adjusted and fastened.

Skull caps must be worn with a silk.

Fixed peaks are not permitted in any competition where cross-country is involved but are permitted for dressage and show jumping. British 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 European VG1 01.040: 2014-12 provided they are BSI Kitemarked or Inspec IC Marked American ASTM F1163: 2004a or 04a onwards provided they are SEI marked SNELL E2001* and SNELL E2016 Australian and New Zealand AS/NZS 3838: 2006 onwards provided they are SAI global marked

*From 1 January 2023 the PAS 015: 1998 and SNELL E2001 will no longer be accepted.

Should the new standard of BS EN 1384 (2023) enter the market then this will be accepted.

For Area Team events, all Hats must be tagged with an aqua tag from BRC, PC or BE.

Body Protectors

A body protector is obligatory in all cross-country competitions and is strongly recommended in show jumping competitions.

A BETA Level 3 displaying EITHER a Purple 2009 Label OR Blue 2018 Label must be worn in competitions where a body protector is obligatory.

From 1 Jan 2024, the BETA 2009 Purple Label will no longer be accepted. The ONLY exception to this requirement is that the Exo Body Cages will continue to be accepted, provided they have a BETA Level 3 Purple 2000 Label – the secretary must be notified so they can inform the paramedic they need an allen key.

Jodhpurs and Breeches

White, cream, beige, navy, or black breeches or jodhpurs may be worn.

Boots

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 or tassels of any sort.

Jackets and Shirts & Coats

Jackets or smart fitted waistcoats may be any conservative colours in muted tones; they may not be multi coloured or boldly pinstriped. Subtle pinstripes are permitted, as are colours and contrast piping to collar, lapels, pockets and vents.

Service dress is permitted as is a tweed jacket with a coloured stock or collar and tie.

White stocks, white American collar or white shirts with collar and tie may be worn.

At the discretion of the Official Steward, competitors may be permitted to ride without jackets or waistcoats in excessively hot weather.

An American collar, correctly fastened stock or a suitable shirt that fastens at the neck with a tie must be worn.

Short sleeved shirts may be worn at the discretion of the Official Steward and judge.

Plain, dark coloured waterproof coats may be worn in wet weather.

On the Cross Country course

For cross-country, a sweatshirt or shirt must be worn.

Short sleeved shirts may be worn at the discretion of the organiser.

Stocks should be properly tied.

Hair and Jewellery

It is advised that hair should be neatly secured and should not hang lower than the shoulder line when standing normally. Beccles & Bungay RC ask that our competitors do secure their hair please in this fashion.

Any item of jewellery or alternative medical treatment wrist bands should be covered up by clothing or gloves, if they cannot be removed, will be worn at the riders' own risk.

Whips (Dressage)

One whip of any length is permitted for all BRC dressage.

Whips must not be used in a way or be of a length that disturbs other riders and may not be picked up if dropped during a test. If a whip is shorter than 80cm then it must be padded as below.

Whips (Show Jumping and Cross-Country) No substitute for a whip may be carried.

One whip is permitted and must be between 45cm and 75cm and must not be weighted or feature a hard point at the end. 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.

Spurs (Dressage)

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.

Only one pair of spurs may be worn and must be securely fastened in the traditional manner, with the curve, if any, pointing downwards with the shank pointing to the rear and the end clearly horizontal to the ground or pointing downwards.

Swan neck spurs are permitted as are dummy spurs.

Rowel spurs are permitted but must be round, smooth and free to rotate.

Comb, tines and 'spursader' style spurs are not permitted.

Spurs (Show Jumping)

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.

Only one pair of spurs may be worn and must be securely fastened in the traditional manner, with the curve, if any, pointing downwards with the shank pointing to the rear and the end clearly horizontal to the ground or pointing downwards.

Spur designs which include necks set to the inside of the heel, roughened/cutting edges or serrated spurs with or without necks are not permitted.

Rowelled spurs, if worn must have smooth rowels with a diameter of no less than 1cm and no greater than 2cm, with a minimum width of 2mm.

Horizontal rowels are not permitted.

Spurs (Cross-Country)

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 free to rotate and must be round and smooth.