

# 2014 HM Rulebook Changes

## **ARM BANDS:**

- Must be worn at Quiz Rally on arm not with name badge, etc.
- Must be on a USPC Form (NOT USEA)
- Must be signed by parent each

## **BOOTS:**

- Must be “well-fitted”
- Can be rain boots but they must fit, no sliding/sloshing around
- C1+ brown boots are now allowed, half chaps with matching smooth full-grain leather (no suede/or partial suede)
- Uggs, suede or light boots are not allowed
- Boot trees must hold up ankle on boot and crease on toe (paper or flexible material no longer accepted). Wood, plastic or foam is acceptable
- Spurs can be worn at any time but must be clean and properly attached

## **HELMETS:**

- Must fit properly and have ASTM/SEI approval
- Must be in good condition (no cracks, etc)

## **JOG ATTIRE:**

- Jeans and jean shorts are now specifically not allowed

## **TURNOUT:**

- Stock tie pin must go through knot, tails tucked in but they do not have to be pinned at base
- C1+ must wear jacket to turnout even if jackets are waived

## **BELTS:**

- D1 & D2 are not required to wear belts but D3's+ must wear a belt if loops on pants

## **SHIRTS (IF JACKETS ARE WAIVED):**

- Collared shirt with long or short sleeves (no sleeveless, ratcatchers or t-shirts allowed)
- Must be tucked in and neat and tidy

## **TACK:**

- Synthetic tack is now allowed as long as it is appropriate to the discipline
- Synthetic reins must have a breakaway section

### **BRAIDING (Clarified):**

- Multi-day rallies - braids must be removed for turn backs
- One-day rallies - braids must be removed after the last ride of the day

### **EQUIPMENT:**

- Individual equipment items must be labeled with the competitor's name OR number
- Team equipment must be labeled with the team name OR team number or the name or number of any team member
- Individual grooming kit containers need competitor name OR number, individual items in the kit are not required to be labeled but it is encouraged to assist in returning lost or misplaced items
- Human First Aid and Tack Cleaning kits must be labeled but individual items are not required to be labeled but it is encouraged to assist in returning lost or misplaced items
- When identifying saddles and bridles, competitors must place a label with the competitor's name or number on the rack next to their saddle/bridle
- Halters must have competitors name or number not just horse name
- Jars/containers must be at least 1/2 full (liniment, petroleum jelly, etc)
- At least 12 bandaids
- At least 3 pairs of synthetic gloves (dishwashing gloves are not acceptable)
- Either type of screwdriver acceptable
- Digital thermometer only
- Pliers must open
- At least 1/2 roll of duct tape (no masking tape)
- Leg bandages (4) must be sized to fit every mount on the team and be sufficiently thick enough
- Flexible stretch adhesive/cohesive bandages (2) must still be usable and not broken down (and no ace bandages)
- If a pony club pin is used at a rally from kit, a note must be left
- Stirrups in extra equipment must be 1/2" on either side of competitors feet

### **STALL CARDS:**

- New format, hotel info is gone

### **FEED CHARTS/ROOM:**

- Feed room door must be closed and latched at all times unless a member is inside, no need to secure feed bins with chain or rope anymore
- Feed must be stored in a sturdy, non airtight container with a tight seal/safety latch
- Feed charts can reference flakes but must say what flake weighs
- Meds need to be kept in a clean, safe place at the temperature recommended by the manufacturer

### **WATER BUCKETS:**

- Heavy duty, 5 gallons each. Heavy duty muck buckets (with handles either taped or removed) can also be used for water

- If electrolytes are added, buckets must be marked “water and electrolytes”
- Pickle buckets or any bucket less than 5 gallons are not acceptable