JOCKEY CLUB OF SAUDI ARABIA
Approved Riding Equipment
OVERVIEW

To assist with upkeeping the standards of international excellence, the Jockey Club of Saudi Arabia (JCSA) has produced the Approved Riding Equipment Register to align the Kingdom with the international community, ensuring that racing in Saudi Arabia continues to be an ongoing pioneer of the sport.

This register outlines the riding equipment that is approved for use in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

HELMETS

It is the direction of the Stewards Committee, that when riding in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, all riders must wear a helmet that meets the requirements set out in INSTRUCTION 4 of the Rules of Racing.

Instruction 4

SKULL CAPS: The Stewards Committee directs that whilst mounted on a horse, all riders must wear a skull cap that meets the below requirements.

1. All skull caps must comply with one of the following minimum safety standards or later revisions:
   (a) (ASTM) F1163
   (b) (EN – 1384)
   (c) (PAS – 015)
   (d) (AS/NZ 3838)
   (e) (VG1 01.040 2014 - 12)
2. The following information must be clearly displayed on all skull caps:
   (a) has attached a manufacturer’s label that states:
      (i) the date of manufacture; and
      (ii) that it complies with a standard approved by the JCSA.
3. A helmet will be deemed not fit for use and must be replaced by the rider immediately if:
   a) 5 years have expired since its date of purchase.
   b) 8 years have expired since its date of manufacture.
   c) It sustains an impact as a result of a fall.
   d) It has been modified or defaced.
   e) it does not clearly display the required manufacturing details as outlined above.
4. In this event, if the skull cap has been involved in a fall or the rider has suffered a concussion or head injury whilst wearing the skull cap, it will be immediately seized by the Stewards for destruction.

5. It is the responsibility of the rider to keep the purchase records for their skull cap. In the event that a skull cap does not meet the above requirements and a date of purchase cannot be provided to the stewards, the skull cap will be immediately seized and destroyed.

6. The chin strap must pass under the jaw and be fastened by a quick release clip.

7. The skull cap must be of the correct size for the individual Jockey, the face harness must be correctly adjusted, and the chin strap fastened at all times when mounted on a horse.

8. Any rider that does not meet the requirements outlined above will breach the rules and may be penalized by the Stewards Committee.
VESTS

It is the direction of the Stewards Committee, that when riding in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, all riders must wear a vest that meets the requirements set out in INSTRUCTION 3 of the Rules of Racing.

INSTRUCTION 3

BODY PROTECTORS: It is the direction of the Stewards Committee that all riders, whilst mounted on a horse, must wear a safety vest that complies with the below requirements:

1. The body protector must comply with one of the following minimum standards or later revisions:
   a) EN 13158: 2009 – 2018 Level 1 & 2
   b) (ASTM) F2681-08 or F1937.
   c) (SATRA) Jockey Vest Document M6 Issue 3
   d) (ARB) Standard 1.1998

2. Body protectors shall not be modified in any manner, nor shall the product markings be removed or defaced.

3. They must be in a good and serviceable condition.

4. It shall be an offence to bring a modified body protector onto the racecourse and the Stewards may order the seizure and destruction of such a body protector under Article 13.

Note: In accordance with the above instruction, the Stewards Committee advises that the below safety vests are approved:

**Level One Vests**

- OzVest
- Racelite Pro
- Hows Racesafe
- Vipa
- Vipa 1
- Airowear Swift
- USG Flexi Race
- Tipperary Competitor Vest

**Level Two Vests**

- Vipa II

The JCSA advises that any vest not listed above should be pre-approved by the Stewards Committee prior to use.
WHIPS

It is the direction of the Stewards Committee, that when riding in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, all riders must carry a whip that meets the requirements set out in INSTRUCTION 5 of the Rules of Racing.

INSTRUCTION 5

WHIPS: It is the direction of the Stewards Committee that a whip carried in a flat race under Article 88 k), must comply with the below specifications:

(1) The maximum length of the whip (including the flap) must not exceed 70 centimeters.
(2) For whips 60 centimeters in length, the pad must be no less than 18 centimeters. For longer whips the length of the pad must not exceed 30% of the overall whip length.
(3) The whip must not contain binding within 18 centimeters of the end of the whip.
(4) The diameter of the pad must be a minimum of 2.5 centimeters.
(5) The contact area of the shaft must be smooth, with no protrusion or raised surface, and covered by a waterproof shock absorbent material that does not exceed 1 millimeter in thickness.
(6) The inner section of the pad must consist of a closed cell foam. This foam must be a thickness of no less than 7 millimeters on each side of the pad.
(7) All whips must be dark in colour.
(8) No whip shall consist of any leather materials.
(9) No whip shall exceed 160 grams in weight.

Note: In accordance with the above instruction, the JCSA advises that the below whips are approved for use in flat races:

1. Pro Cush
2. International Lite-Touch
3. McKey Slick Stick
4. Persuader
5. Enforcer
6. Celtic Equine
7. Goostick
8. Protekta
9. P-Train Prompter
OTHER

It is the direction of the Stewards Committee, that when riding in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia the following gear is not permitted:

- Spurs
- Any gear that does not meet the requirements listed above.