

The Guide to Paso Fino Tack

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In the Pleasure Division a headriser made of plain leather or otherwise capable of being shaped or bent by hand pressure is permitted. In any case, metal is not permitted in, under, over or attached to the cave-ins nosepiece or headriser, except necessary buckles. (See Chapter Three, Section V., C. Appointments.)



Thick Braided
 Legal in Schooling Fino and Schooling Performance.
 Not legal in Pleasure Division.



Not legal in any class. Too severe.



Partial Braided
 Legal in Schooling Fino and Performance.
 Not legal in Pleasure Division.



Jointed Metal
 Legal in Schooling Fino and Schooling Performance
 only if wrapped. Not legal in Pleasure Division.



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METAL



Ball Bearing Bosal

Legal in Schooling Fino or Schooling Performance.
Not legal in Pleasure Division.



Lariat Bosal

Legal in Schooling Fino, Schooling Performance and the Pleasure Division.

METAL



Hinged Metal Bosal

Legal in Schooling Fino or Schooling Performance.
Not legal in Pleasure Division.



Rope Bosal

Legal in Schooling Fino, Schooling Performance and the Pleasure Division.

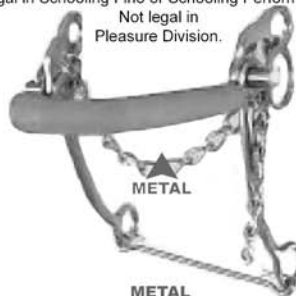
METAL



Serrated Bosal

Not legal in any class. Too severe.

Bike Chain Bosal
Legal in Schooling Fino or Schooling Performance.
Not legal in Pleasure Division.



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Metal Bosal

Legal in Schooling Fino or Schooling Performance.
Not legal in Pleasure Division.

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Bull Penis Bosal

Legal in Schooling Fino or Schooling Performance.
Not legal in Pleasure Division.



Chain Bosal

Must be wrapped to be legal in Schooling Fino or Schooling Performance.
Not legal in Pleasure Division.



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Reins



Nylon Reins with Buckles
Legal in all classes.



Nylon Reins with Snaps
Legal in Schooling Fino, Schooling Performance and all Pleasure Division classes.

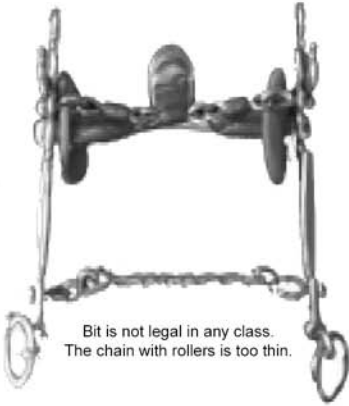


Bits

The following bits are not legal. All mouthpieces must be smooth or latex wrapped. The mouthpiece will consist of a metal bar 5/16" to 3/4" in diameter, as measured 1 " in from the shank. Nothing may protrude below the mouthpiece such as extensions, prongs or rivets designed to intimidate the horse.



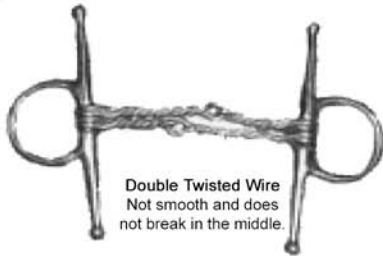
Twisted Wire
Not smooth. Too thin.



Bit is not legal in any class.
The chain with rollers is too thin.



Chain Mouth
Only partial latex wrapped.



Double Twisted Wire
Not smooth and does not break in the middle.



Polo Bit
Mouthpiece too thick.



Spoon protrudes
below mouthpiece.



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Bits

The following bits are not legal:



Gag Bit
Not legal. Mouthpiece slips.



Not Legal
Shanks exceed 6 inches in length
and mouthpiece not 5/16- to 3/4-inch in diameter.



Purchase more than 3 inches. Not legal



Cathedral Bit
Not legal. Port exceeds 3-1/2 inches.



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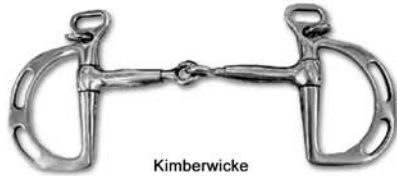
Full Cheek Snaffle



Jointed Full Cheek Snaffle



Pelham



Kimberwicke



Mullen Mouth



Rubber Bar



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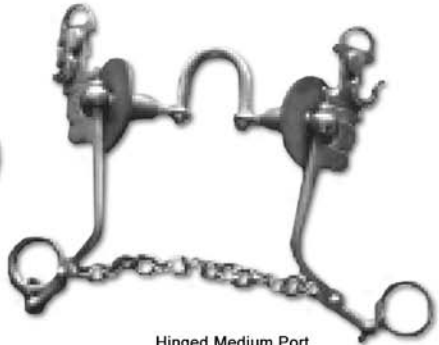
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Medium Port



Hinged Medium Port

Rounded rivets used to join the mouthpiece together and extend a tiny bit below mouthpiece will not intimidate the horse.



Spoon



Copper Bar



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Bridles



Colombian Bridle with pisador.
Legal in all classes except with Western Tack.



English-type Bridle
Legal in all classes except with Western Tack.



Western Bridle with Bosal and Mecate Reins
Legal in Pleasure Division with Western Tack.
Not legal in Western Pleasure.



Rawhide Jaquima
Legal in Schooling Fino, Schooling Performance
and entire Pleasure Division.



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Bridles



Side Pull Bridle
Legal in Schooling Fino, Schooling Performance
and entire Pleasure Division



Flash Caveson
Not legal in any classes



Dropped Nose Caveson
Not legal in any classes.



Curb Chains

Curb chains and leather straps may be used but must be flat and at least 1/2-inch in width and lie flat against the jaws of the horse. No wire, rawhide, metal or other substances can be used in conjunction with, or as part of, the leather chin strap or curb chains.



Small Link Chain
Not legal. Too narrow.



English Curb Chain
Legal when laying flat.



Western Curb Chain
Legal when laying flat.



Western Single Link Curb Chain
Not legal. Too narrow.



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Saddles



McClelland Saddle
Legal in Pleasure Division



Endurance Saddle
Legal in Pleasure Division



Dressage Saddle
Legal where English-style tack is allowed.



Western Saddle
Legal in Pleasure Division
and Specialty classes
with Western attire.



Saddles

Colombian Saddle

Legal in the Pleasure Division with English stirrup irons (shown) and bell-type. Legal in Fino and Performance Divisions with English leathers (shown).



Bell-Type Stirrups



Side Saddle

Legal in Pleasure Division and Costume.



Forward Seat Saddle

Legal only when a jump is required.



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