



International Mounted Games Association Rules Committee

Rule Change Request Document

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Summary of Change Requested:

GR5.3. Some riding hats were presented this year with a new SNELL E2021 label. On researching this topic, it appears that SNELL E2021 meets the previous E2016 standard and E2001 and E2016 will be phased out. We need to add SNELL E2021 to the list of acceptable hat standards for Mounted Games. See also attached SNELL document.

If change adopted then this also needs to be added to the tack sheet – riding helmets document on the IMGA webpages.

Current Rule Book Wording:

GR5.3. Properly fastened and correctly fitting protective headgear must be worn when riding anywhere on the showground. All Protective Headwear must meet one of the following standards:

- PAS 015 (1998 or 2011) (with BSI Kitemark or Inspec IC mark)
- VG1 01.040 (2014-12) (with BSI Kitemark or Inspec IC mark)
- ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards) (with SEI mark)
- SNELL E2001 or 2016 (with SNELL label and number)
- AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards) (with SAI Global mark)

or any new standard approved by FEI that meets or exceeds those stated.

Headwear should be a jockey skull cap, with no fixed peak, peak type extensions or noticeable protuberances above the eyes or to the front and should have an even round or elliptical shape with a smooth or slightly abrasive surface. A removable hat cover with a light flexible peak may be used if required.

As an exception to this rule riders are allowed to remove their headgear while accepting prizes or during the playing of the National Anthem only; they must refasten their headgear prior to the lap of honour.

Suggested New Rule Book Wording:

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Reason for Change Request:

To keep up to date with changes in hat standards

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Reference:	2021 – 08
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Submission Date:	21/12/2021
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Decision Date:	21/12/2021
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Votes	
Jens Martin	In Favour
Mark Crowe	In Favour
Robin Donnay	In Favour
Warwick Slade	In Favour
Margaret Welsby	In Favour
Alun Whitney	In Favour
Total In Favour:	6
Total Not In Favour:	0

Result:	Change Accepted
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Actual Adopted New Rule Book Wording:

GR5.3. Properly fastened, correctly fitting **and undamaged** protective headgear must be worn when riding anywhere on the showground. All Protective Headwear must meet one of the following standards:

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- ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards) (with SEI mark)
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Reason for Decision:

Keeps rules up to date

Implementation Date:	1 st January 2022
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