

# R10

## REGULATIONS RELATING TO RIDERS' EQUIPMENT

### **BODY PROTECTORS**

The Directors of the IHRB, having consulted with the IHRB Medical Officer, have ordered that under Rule 198 (v), the minimum standard that Body Protectors must meet is EN13158:2009 Level 2. There must not be an attachment between the Body Protector and the saddle or girths. The Directors of the IHRB require that Body Protectors must be worn with a harness (crotch strap) in all races.

Body Protectors must not be modified in any way and must be in a serviceable condition.

### **CHIN STRAPS**

In addition to wearing a Skull Cap and Body Protector of a pattern approved by the Directors of the IHRB, all Riders when mounted on horses must have their chin straps properly adjusted and fastened at all times. Failure to comply with the above order may result in disciplinary action being taken by the Stewards.

### **SKULL CAPS**

The only Skull Cap pattern approved by Directors of the IHRB is the one constructed to meet one of the following specifications: PAS015:2011, SNELL E2016, VG1 01.040 2014-12, UTAC/CRITT 04/2015 and it must fulfil the following criteria:

- (a) Have a CE marking.
- (b) Be in a serviceable condition
- (c) Have a full liner made of polystyrene or similar impact absorbent material.
- (d) Must not have a chin cup, cradle or draw lace.
- (e) The chin strap must pass under the jaw and be attached to the harness by a quick release buckle. Metal hooks are expressly forbidden.
- (f) Must be of the correct size for the individual Rider; the face harness must be correctly adjusted and the chin strap fastened at all times when mounted on a horse.

Riders should also note that as Skull Caps are designed for "single impact only" any Skull Cap which has been subjected to a severe impact or has been worn by a Rider suffering concussion should not be regarded as serviceable and should be replaced.