

Ref, Memo	NF	NF Comment
B.8	ARG	Agree
B.8	AUS	Agree that no creams should be applied prior to veterinary inspection. However, for on track use, there are some creams and products which are safe and limit abrasions to lower limbs from sand and other soil, thus maintaining horse welfare, and these should be allowed.
B.8	AUT	EEF WG position : we support the review on tack and equipment, but we do not support that henna and creams are being banned. Reasoning : There is no explanations in the Memo on the reason why henna and creams may be forbidden, but please find below our remarks. Henna and cream have therapeutical attributes. In endurance it is used especially on the legs to prevent skin cracks and dermatites troubles which can appear quite often as this discipline is a continuous long exercise over an entire day on natural tracks. Type of horse skin, type of footing, heat and dryness/humidity are parameters which have an influence on the use of this protection. If the reason to propose to forbid it was to not alter the horse identification, we remind that thanks to the chip it is easy to be sure of the horse identification in case of doubt. If the reason was to prevent a visual barrier to not see an injection we would more recommend an higher vigilance of stewards and judges and of course we are not supporting a perverse or abusive use of these substances as all others. We remind that we are fully supporting any project of hyposensitivity tests which would tackle abuses without prohibiting the good use of henna and cream by those who use it as a protection and so positive in terms of horse welfare.
B.8	BEL	Belgium does not agree. These products are not to dope or to hide something but are used to prevent injuries.
B.8	BRN	We agree to prevent using Dye & Barrier Cream and recommend the use Henna as it is a natural material extracted from plants which helps the horse in a salty terrain.
B.8	CAN	We agree with the proposed changes, except; We seek clarification of what is included in Barrier Cream, and if its ban is from vet gate or field of play (eg zinc oxide cream) Note: Annex 5 references back to rule 828 talks about any topical ointment must be removed prior to presentation at the vet gate. We recommend that in 829.3.1 "rein" be replaced with "rein or equipment" to ensure that tie-downs are covered. Also, to the prohibited list 829.3 add tie-downs.
B.8	CRC	CRC Comment: We do not support this new proposal. Sometimes horses need, for their welfare, barrier creams and therefore should not be prohibited.
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B.8	ESP	We support the review on tack and equipment, but see no explanation in the MEMO on why Dye, Henna and Creams are being banned for Endurance where they can have multitude of benefits in favor of the welfare of the horse.
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B.8	GBR	<input type="checkbox"/> A ban on barrier creams would prevent many horses from competing and would lead to an increase in cracked heels and mud fever <input type="checkbox"/> Subject to the standard requirement that it is removed prior to each veterinary inspection the continued use of barrier cream should not be banned <input type="checkbox"/> Some were concerned about the ban on shanked bits, as they suit some horses
B.8	GBR	<input type="checkbox"/> Some of the tack proposals are over-prescriptive and inappropriate tack could be picked up under existing horse abuse rules <input type="checkbox"/> How would tack be monitored at a large ride? <input type="checkbox"/> Members were generally in favour of tighter tack rules
B.8	IRL	Martingales: In order to have a standard for martingale length it is suggested that the following be included in this para "A martingale should be able to reach the attachment points on the saddle.
B.8	IRL	Metal Chain Nosebands: Add "Curb chains"

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B.8	JPN	We recommend that the clear reason of forbidding these materials should be included and explained in the Notes of Guidance
B.8	JPN	We'd prefer more specification, e.g. size.
B.8	JPN	We are reluctant to support this proposal, considering the welfare of horse. Blinkers are not allowed in other disciplines, why should they be allowed in Endurance? If blinkers are to be allowed, the phrase "Full forward vision" is too vague, please specify the size, for example "not more than XX% of the vision could be covered".
B.8	JPN	Ear bonnets/hoods should be allowed; they are allowed at other disciplines.
B.8	JPN	We'd prefer more diagrams to be included.
B.8	KSA	We agree to prevent using Dye & Barrier Cream and recommend to use Henna because henna is a natural material extracted from plants used to keep horses' limbs from salty soil and the high humidity which can cause big damage The colour of Henna is much different than the blood.
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B.8	NAM	The rule should read may not cover the whole leg – ointment on minor skin lesions is only a sign of good horsemanship
B.8	NED	In this article it is not clear whether a horse may appear at a competition with dyed legs. Suggestion is that the products may be used before the competition (with the effects still visible at the competition), but not during the competition.
B.8	NOR	We do not agree with the prohibition of Barrier Cream, some zinc cream is used to prevent irritation, and some other creams to soften, etc. Prohibiting Barrier Cream in general (which can be very common including zinc ointment), we do not agree. Our proposal is that FEI need to specify which barrier cream to ban, rather than just saying Barrier Cream, so that products that only contribute to the horse's wellbeing are still allowed.
B.8	NOR	This is ok
B.8	NZL	We have concerns with how this will be monitored and enforced at rides but we agree with the rule in principle. We would vote for this rule.
B.8	NZL	We just wish to clarify whether this would preclude the use of thick sunblock preparations; these are primarily used on the non-pigmented areas (particularly noses). For a small number of horses, it could be a welfare concern if it was not allowed. Perhaps this could be further stipulated that these substances cannot be applied to the limbs of horses?
B.8	OMA	Supporting to prevent usage of Dye & Barrier Cream but recommend to use Henna Because Henna is a natural herbal extract supporting to prevent salty soil and humidity to skin.
B.8	POR	AGREE
B.8	RSA	Don't agree with the ban of Barrier Cream
B.8	RUS	WE RECOMMEND KEEPING THE CURRENT RULES
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B.8	USA	USEF Comment: Approve in concept however clarification is needed on the definition of barrier cream. There are a number of barrier creams (i.e. Desitin) or balms which are designed to safely prevent and treat irritated skin created by the elements or from the wet and mud. It is recommended that further education is provided to athletes and officials on tack. Blinkers should be prohibited at all times except for approved veterinary reasons. Additionally, it is further recommended for the FEI to create a Useful Documents to explain how to measure a bit and with diagrams of tack which is allowed or prohibited.