



## NEW British Riding Clubs WHIP RULE for jumping competitions

Effective from 01.01.20

### Show jumping / Horse trials / Cross country :

One whip is permitted and MUST be between 45cm and 70cm and must not be weighted or with a hard point at the end. The end of the whip must be padded. The 'pad' must be smooth with no protrusion or raised surface (which includes embroidery), and be made of a shock absorbing material throughout its circumference.

- The maximum whip length is 70cm; it must be no less than 45cm.
- There must be no binding within 17cm of the end of the pad.
- The minimum diameter for the shaft of the whip is 1cm, and the shaft should run through the entirety of the whip.
- The whips overall weight must not exceed 160g; the weight should be evenly distributed throughout the whip.
- The "contact area" is considered to be two fifths of the overall length of the whip and should be covered with a pad.
- The pad must be smooth, with no protrusion or raised surface, and be made of shock absorbing material throughout its circumference such that it gives a compression factor of at least 6mm. The pad should have no wording, advertising or personalisation of any kind

#### Definitions:

The "Whip" The singular term for the equipment in its entirety.

The "Shaft" The term for the central core of the equipment.

The "Handle" The term for the riders contact area.

The "Contact Area" The term for the area that will contact or may potentially contact the horse.

The "Pad" The term for the padded area that covers the shaft.

The "Binding" The term given to the threaded area between the "shaft" and the "pad" that joins the two together.

