

GEAR – CORNELL COLLAR

OFFICIAL POLICY

The Cornell Collar is gear approved for use from 1 January 2006.

Any trainer seeking to use a Cornell Collar on a horse must comply with the following provision –

1. Provide a written submission from a Veterinary Surgeon verifying the need for the use of the Cornell Collar and stating why its use would be justified and appropriate to the horse.
 2. The horse must satisfactorily complete an Official Trial wearing the Cornell Collar.
 3. Prior to the Official Trial, the trainer must inform the Stewards that the horse will be trialling with a Cornell Collar.
 4. Only a Vet-Aire Cornell Collar approved by the Stewards and/or the TRSA Veterinary Surgeon will be permitted to be used in Official Trial or Race.
 5. The horse must be inspected by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon -
 - (i) Pre-trial – to ensure the Cornell Collar is correctly fitted and the trachea is not compressed restricting air flow, and
 - (ii) Post-trial – to ensure the horse exhibits no discomfort in consequence of wearing the Cornell Collar.
 6. After the Official Trial the trainer should confirm with the Stewards permission has been granted for the use of a Cornell Collar.
 7. The trainer shall submit a stable return / gear change to apply a Cornell Collar to the horse.
 8. On being presented for any future Official Trial or Race with the Cornell Collar the horse will be inspected by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon to ensure the gear is correctly fitted.
 9. The Club's Veterinary Surgeon will examine the horse after a future Official Trial or Race to determine if the horse exhibits discomfort and whether the device is successful or otherwise.
- Note:** In the event the Veterinary Surgeon is dissatisfied with either the horse's comfort or other aspects as regards the Cornell Collar, he will provide advice to the Stewards as soon as possible.
10. Once approved with a Cornell Collar, in accordance with the ARR.140B, any horse must continue to wear the device in a Race until permission is granted by Stewards to remove it.
 11. In the event permission is granted by Stewards to remove the Cornell Collar, the trainer shall submit a stable return / gear change to remove the device.

Note: The provision of a Cornell Collar shall be the responsibility of the individual trainer. In the event a Collar is not available at any race meeting or in the event a Collar is defective, the horse concerned shall be withdrawn.

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