

1 **SUBJECT: The Use of a Chain in Sport Horse Appointments (USEF/EC)**

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3 *(STANDARD)*

4 Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 101 & 102 for submission requirements

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6 Committees required to review: *(This section to be completed by the Agenda & Resolutions Committee)* Committee Action:
Approve Disapprove

Amateur Committee			
Canadian National Show Commission			
Competition Advisory Committee			
Sport Horse Committee			
Sport Horse National Show Commission			
USEF Arabian Horse Committee			
Youth National Show Commission			

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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10 Approved Approved with Modification Disapproved
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12 Withdrawn Referred to Committee _____

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14 **PROPOSED CHANGE: (Check one)** Add new rule Delete existing rule Change existing text
15 Indicate affected Article/Rule number (AHA/USEF/EC) USEF AR178.1

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17 **RESOLUTION:** Use *bold/italic* for new wording, ~~strikethrough~~ to indicate deletion

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19 Whereas, Clarification is needed in AR178.1 in regard to the use of chains when showing sport horses in-hand;
20 Therefore, Be It

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22 Resolved, That USEF AR178.1 be amended by inserting the following:

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24A split or single lead made of either leather or leather-like material, with or without chain may be
25 used, and must be attached to/through both sides of the bit, with or instead of reins. ***In all cases, a properly***
26 ***fitted chain should be short enough to prevent the horse from getting it in their mouth and will never be***
27 ***placed over the nose or tightly under the chin, or through the mouth.*** If using a single lead, a coupler
28 may be used to attach the lead to both sides of the bit. Horses aged two years may be shown in a bridle (as
29 listed above), or a plain leather stable halter. Horses under age two years must be shown in a plain leather
30 stable halter. Competitors with non-conforming appointments will be eliminated from judging
31 consideration.
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33 Effective: December 31, 2022 or when approved by USEF/EC

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35 (If a Standard resolution, the effective date will be December 31 of the year after the Convention)

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37 **RESOLUTION TYPE (REQUIRED):** Standard Extraordinary _____ “If indicated as
38 “Extraordinary”, the proponent must list reasons which establish Chapter 9, RULE 101.3.a. has been met)

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40 **PROPOSERS FINANCIAL IMPACT (REQUIRED):** Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 102.6. & 102.7 for financial
41 requirements

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45 **AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:** None

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47 Contact Person:
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