

Sport License Holder Survey Questions and Answer Options

1. What discipline(s) do you typically compete or train in?
 - Dressage
 - Show Jumping
 - Hunter/Jumper
 - Breed Sports
 - Endurance
 - Driving
 - Vaulting
 - Eventing
 - Other (please specify)
2. How do you classify yourself (check all that apply)?
 - Competitor/Student
 - Amateur
 - Recreational Rider
 - Professional/High Performance Rider
 - Coach
 - Horse Trainer
 - Other (please specify)
3. Does your horse(s) always wear a noseband?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Only at competitions
4. Why does your horse wear a noseband?
 - None of the above
 - Cosmetic (it looks good)
 - Direction of coach/trainer
 - To help keep the horse's mouth closed
 - Control/Safety
 - Industry Expectation/Discipline Norm
 - The discipline(s) I compete in require it in their rules
 - Other (please specify)

5. Did you have your noseband measured during this past summer's noseband pilot project?
 - Yes
 - No
6. Do you feel overtightened nosebands are a horse welfare issue?
 - Yes
 - No
 - *Comment box attached for additional input*
7. Do you think that all disciplines should have the same standardized noseband tightness rules?
 - Yes
 - No
 - *Comment box attached for additional input*
8. Do you feel a measurement gauge is fair way to measure noseband tightness during Equestrian Canada Competition?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Other (please specify)
9. Do you agree noseband tightness should be measured at the frontal nasal plane?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Other (please specify)
10. Do you feel noseband tightness checks should be a mandatory tack check, or at random/discretion of the steward?
 - Nosebands should be measured like other tack
 - The steward should be able to measure nosebands that look tight or at random
 - There should be a minimum percentage (example 10%) of horses measured at each competition
 - None of the above
11. Do you feel the gauge should be used to perform all noseband checks, or only in 'tie breaker' scenarios?
 - The gauge should be used in all noseband checks
 - The EC steward should be able use their fingers or gauge at their discretions
 - The gauge should be used when there is discrepancy between the competitor and the steward
 - The gauge should not be used in noseband checks

12. Do you agree that 2 fingers (1.5cm) at the frontal nasal plane should be the tightness a noseband can be in all disciplines?

- Yes
- No
- 1 finger is sufficient
- None of the above
- *Comment box attached for additional input*

13. Do you agree with following statement: "Equestrian Canada should work with subject matter experts to be a world leader in advancing horse welfare rules in Equestrian Sport?"

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

14. Do you have any other information or comments you would like to share?

- Open comment box