

BHS Assessments Hat Rules 2021 v1

Hats must meet ALL of the requirements of one of the following rows:

	Standard and Date	Quality Assurance Mark	Examples
1	PAS 015 (1998 or 2011)	AND MUST HAVE BSI Kitemark  Or Inspec IC Mark 	  
2	VG1 01.040 (2014-12)	AND MUST HAVE BSI Kitemark  Or Inspec IC Mark 	  
3	ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards)	AND MUST HAVE SEI mark 	  
4	SNELL E2001 or E2016	AND MUST HAVE Official SNELL label and number 	  
5	AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards)	AND MUST HAVE SAI Global mark 	

IMPORTANT INFO FOR CROSS COUNTRY ACTIVITIES: Only a "Jockey Skull" of an even round or elliptical shape with a smooth or slightly abrasive surface, having no peak or peak type extensions may be worn for any XC activity. Noticeable protuberances above the eyes or to the front, not greater than 5mm, smooth and rounded in nature are permitted. A removable hat cover with a light flexible peak may be used.

HEAD CAMS: When hats are tested against the requirements of a standard, they are done so with no extra additions on the hat i.e. with no head cam attached. Therefore, it is currently not known how the addition of a protuberance such as a head cam, affects how the hat would respond during an impact. Therefore, the use of HEAD CAMS are not recommended at any Approved Centre activity. This includes use on the head, chest, bridle or any other part of the horse or rider.

BHS Assessment Body Protector Guidelines 2021 v1

Only body protectors to the following specification are acceptable at any BHS assessment where the use of body protectors is mandatory:

A BETA Level 3 displaying either a <u>Purple 2009 Label</u> OR <u>Blue 2018 Label</u>		
2000 NO LONGER PERMITTED	2009	2018

Any other levels / dates are NOT acceptable* and will not be allowed at any BHS assessment. If a Label containing a correct date is not present, the body protector will not be accepted.



Please Note; these pictures are only intended for illustrating where the BETA label can often be found. A full list of BETA Level 3 body protectors can be obtained from www.beta-uk.org

- Where the use of a body protector is mandatory, air Jackets are permitted but MUST be worn over a permitted Level 3 body protector and if activated, MUST be deflated or removed before continuing. Air jackets may be worn without another body protector underneath only where the use of a body protector is not mandatory for that phase
- Hybrid Air-Jackets (a manufactured Level 3 Body Protector and Air Jacket all-in-one) are permitted but if activated, MUST be deflated before continuing
- Blouson jacket type air jackets are permitted in accordance with point 1 above
- *Exo Body Cage body protectors continue to be permitted (see below) but the candidate MUST inform the Chief Assessor due to the allen key system for removing them

Air Jacket



Hybrid Air Jacket



Blouson Jacket



Exo Body Cage



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

*The ONLY exception to the requirement for a BETA Level 3 2009 or 2018 label is that Exo Body Cages will continue to be accepted, provided they have a BETA Level 3 2000 purple label.

It is anticipated that the BHS will continue to accept the 2009 Purple labels until 2025