

2.7 Cornell Collar

The purpose of the Cornell Collar is to aid in preventing intermittent dorsal displacement of the soft palate during high-speed exercise.

Only a Cornell Collar of a design approved by the Stewards and the DVRWBP shall be approved to be applied to horses both in training and in races. Only the original "Vet-Aire Cornell Collar" is currently approved for use. In the event that a Cornell Collar is not available or is not serviceable and no replacement is available on the day on which the relevant horse is to race, the horse shall be withdrawn from the race in which it has been declared.

Prior to a Cornell Collar being applied to a horse, an application must be submitted for use of the equipment to the DVRWBP for initial approval. It is also necessary for the relevant trainer's allocated Clinical Veterinary Surgeon to provide notification that the use of the Cornell Collar is necessary due to the condition afflicting the particular horse.

Following initial approval to use the Cornell Collar, the relevant horse must undertake a barrier trial with the equipment applied to the satisfaction of the Stewards and the DVRWBP.

Following the Cornell Collar being carried by a horse in a race, the equipment cannot be removed without the DVRWBP being provided with a clinical report supporting the removal of the equipment and the horse undertaking a further satisfactory barrier trial.

