

4.2 Safety Vest / Body Protector

Every rider or jockey when mounted on a horse on any racecourse shall wear a safety vest which complies with any of the safety standards listed below, and which has an attached manufacturers label stating that it complies with such safety standards:-

EN 13158: 2009 or EN 13158: 2018 – Levels 1 and 2
ARB Standard 1.1998



The zip shall be properly fastened at all times when mounting on a horse at any racecourse.

A rider or jockey is responsible for the serviceable condition of his safety vest. In the case of an apprentice jockey the responsibility rests with the apprentice and the trainer to whom he is allocated.

No rider or jockey may wear or have in his possession a safety vest which is not of a design approved by the Stewards or which has been modified in any way. The Stewards may confiscate any safety vest which is not of an approved design or which has been modified in any way and any rider or jockey found to be in possession of a safety vest which has been modified in any way may be penalised.

To compensate for the mandatory wearing of a safety vest by a jockey in a race, the scale shall have factored into it an allowance of two pounds, and the jockey shall weigh-out at the declared weight.