

BRC Hat Guidelines 2016 v1

Only hats to the following specification are acceptable at ANY BRC competition.
 At all BRC Area Qualifiers and Championships, hats must show a visible BRC orange 'hat tag'.
 Any other standards / dates are NOT acceptable and will not be tagged.
 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 			
2	VG1 01.040 (2014-12)	AND MUST HAVE BSI Kitemark 			
3	ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards)	AND MUST HAVE SEI mark 			
4	SNELL E2001	AND MUST HAVE Official SNELL label and number 			
5	AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards)	AND MUST HAVE SAI Global mark 			

IMPORTANT UPDATES FOR 2016:

Due to a change by the European Commission regarding EN1384 and BSEN1384 no longer being an accepted standard, all hats which only meet the standard EN1384 or BSEN1384, and do not comply with another standard from the above list, WILL NOT be accepted and therefore will not be permitted for any BRC competition. Hats which bear EN1384 or BSEN1384 along with another standard from the above list, will be tagged. For example, BSEN1384 & PAS015 (1998 or 2011) along with the Kitemark, would be acceptable, but not BSEN1384 on its own.
IMPORTANT CHANGE FOR THE CROSS COUNTRY PHASE: Only a "Jockey Skull" complying to the above standards may be worn for any XC phase. This must not have a peak, any peak type extensions or noticeable protuberances above the eyes or to the front and should have an even round or elliptical shape with a smooth or slightly abrasive surface. A removable hat cover with a light flexible peak may be used if required.
 The use of **HEAD CAMS** are strictly prohibited at any BRC affiliated competition. This includes use on the head, chest, bridle or any other part of the horse or rider.