WAC 260-52-010 Paddock to post. (1) Permission must be obtained from a steward to exercise a horse between races.

(2) In a race, each horse must carry a conspicuous saddlecloth number and one of the following: A head number affixed to the horse's bridle, a numbered armband affixed on the right shoulder of the jockey's silks, or a helmet cover on the jockey's helmet, corresponding to its number on the official program.

(3) After the horses enter the track, and before the start of the race, no jockey may dismount and no horse may be handled by anyone other than the jockey, the starter, the starter's assistants, the outrider, the pony rider, or the official veterinarian without permission of the stewards or the starter.

(4) In the case of injury to a jockey, his/her mount, or damage to equipment, the stewards or the starter may permit the jockey to dismount and the horse to be cared for during the delay. The stewards may permit all jockeys to dismount during the delay.

(5) All horses must participate in the post parade, which includes passing the steward's stand and, all horses must carry their weight from the paddock until the finish of the race unless approved by the stewards.

(6) The post parade may not exceed twelve minutes unless approved by the stewards. When horses have reached the post, they will be started without unnecessary delay.

(7) If the jockey is injured on the way to the post, the horse will be taken to the paddock and another jockey obtained, if available.

(8) No person may willfully delay the arrival of a horse at the post.

(9) No person other than the rider, starter, or assistant starter may strike a horse, or attempt to assist the horse in starting.

(10) A jockey is not required to carry a crop. However, in any race in which a jockey will not ride with a crop, the public will be notified prior to the race.

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