

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD  
TITLE 4. CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS  
ARTICLE 8. RUNNING THE RACE  
RULE 1689. SAFETY HELMETS REQUIRED

Amendment will become effective September 15, 2010.

1689. Safety Helmets Required.

(a) A racing association, fair, or authorized training facility may not permit any person to be mounted on a horse on the racetrack gallop or pony a horse, to ride a horse in a race, or be mounted in or riding on a sulky, or work as a member of the gate crew unless the person is wearing a properly fastened safety helmet.

(1) For purposes of this regulation, a member of the gate crew means any person licensed as an assistant starter or any person who handles a horse at the starting gate.

(2) For purposes of this regulation, "racetrack" means the surface of the racing or training track.

(b) Safety helmets required under subsection (a) of this rule shall comply with one of the following product standards:

(1) American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) standard F-1163-04a, or

(2) European Standard (EN) 1384:1996, or

(3) Australian and New Zealand Racing Boards (AS/NZS) standard 3838:2006, or

(4) Snell Memorial Foundation (Snell) Standard for Protective Headgear H2000.

Authority: Sections 19420 and 19440,  
Business and Professions Code.

Reference: Sections 19481 and 19460,  
Business and Professions Code.