Approved whips

For the purposes of AR 132(1), the following padded whips have been approved by Racing Australia for use in races, official trials, jump-outs and trackwork:

1. Pro Cush
2. International Lite-Touch
3. McKey Slick Stick
4. Persuader
5. Enforcer
6. Protekta
7. Celtic Equine
8. Goostick

Padded whip specifications

1. Maximum length of whip not exceeding 70cm.
2. No binding within 18cm of end of whip.
3. Minimum width of pad 2.5cm.
4. Minimum length of pad not less than 18cm for whips 60cm in length; for longer whips the flap length must not be less than 30% of the whip length.
5. The overall weight of the whip must not exceed 160gm.
6. The contact area of the shaft (including pad) must be smooth with no protrusion or raised surface.
7. The padded segment of the whip shall consist of a material approved by Stewards that does not harden over time. Padded materials must not absorb water.
8. Leather pads are not permitted.
9. The inner padded section shall consist only of closed cell foam of not less than 7mm (one side) in thickness.
10. The thickness of the outer pad can be no greater than 1mm.
11. All whips must be dark in colour.

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