

Helmet Tagging

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TAG PLACEMENT

Wrap the helmet “tag”, around the harness, on the left side, high up, so it is visible, but out of the way.

HELMET STANDARDS ARE USUALLY FOUND IN THE HELMET’S LINING:

- on an information tag;
- direct onto the lining; or
- on a sticker

A helmet with an EA tag, does not require a PCT tag.

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Approved Helmet Safety Standards (January 2020)

Helmets **must** conform to one of the following approved safety standards

HELMET STANDARD	SAFETY MARK
<p>AS/NZS 3838 2006 onwards Must be SAI Global marked</p>	
<p>ARB HS 2012 (racing helmets) Must be SAI Global marked</p>	
<p>ASTM F1163 2004a and any subsequent updates Must be SEI marked</p>	
<p>SNELL E2001 and any subsequent updates</p>	
<p>PAS 015 1998 or 2011 and any subsequent updates Must be BSI Kitemarked</p>	
<p>VG1 / VG01.040 (2014-12) <i>With or without BSI Kitemark</i></p>	

PCT HELMET TAGGING INSTRUCTIONS AND TIPS

- Check all helmets carefully to find the standard/s. There may be more than one and they may not be together. You may need to remove the lining to find the standard/s. It will be either on a sticker on the inside shell, on the outside of the shell or directly on the liner (the liner may be removable and the standard is usually on an information tag attached to the liner).
- The symbols/marks are Quality Assurance Marks and signify that the helmet has undergone extra safety testing – they are not mandatory, the main thing to look for is the Standard itself.
- When a standard has a year attached to it (eg AS/NZS 3838 **2006**) – the year refers to the date the Standard was released, not the year of helmet manufacture – so anything from that standard year onwards is compliant.
- More than one standard is fine, provided one of them is a compliant standard.
- Wrap the helmet tag around the harness on the left-hand side, so it can be easily seen by an official/steward from the ground (see picture below for preferred tag placement). Tag helmets in a dry area, tags may not stick very well if they are wet.



Preferred Helmet Tag Placement

PCA Hemet Standards:

<https://ponyclubaustralia.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/PCA-helmets-2020-revised.pdf>

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