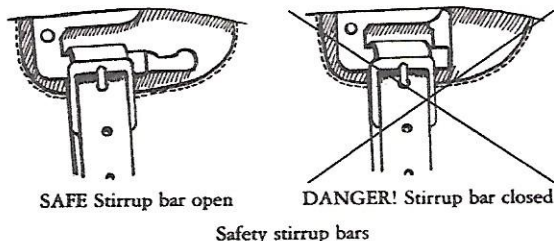
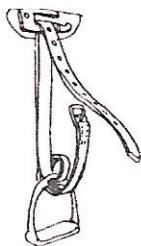


STIRRUP LEATHERS

- Stirrup bar safety clip must be turned down.



- Stirrup leathers must not be tied down
- Stirrup Leathers must not be worn under the saddle flap
- Stirrup Leathers must not have splitting holes or stitching coming undone
- Stirrup leathers are permitted to be wrapped around top of stirrup iron (for shortening stirrup length if no available place to put in more holes) **as a temporary measure at rallies only**

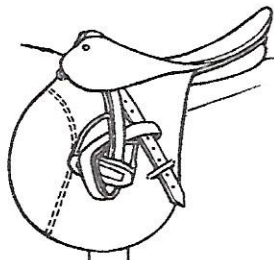


Wrapping stirrup leather

- To ensure even wear/stretching, stirrup leathers need to be regularly changed to alternate sides
- If pop rivets are used to repair stirrup leathers, these need to be regularly checked for wear and tear and safety

STIRRUP IRONS

- **STIRRUP IRONS MUST NEVER BE LEFT DANGLING** – they could frighten the horse by banging against its sides, get caught, or the horse could get its teeth or bit caught when biting at flies in the girth area. **They must always be ‘run up’ when rider is dismounted.**



Stirrup Irons ‘run up’ and secured

1. STIRRUP IRONS – FIT

WIDTH

- **Minimum** Stirrup Irons to allow .75cm each side of the rider's boot at the broadest part (1.5cm total)
- **Maximum** Stirrup Irons not to allow more than 1.5cm (approx) each side of the rider's boot at the broadest part (3cm total approx) or they will be too big



TOO BIG



TOO SMALL



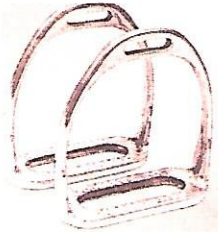
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HEIGHT

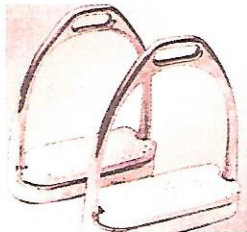
- Also to be checked is the height of the arch of the stirrup iron in relation to the front of the short boot – i.e. the front of the short boot must be higher than the arch of the stirrup iron

2. STRAIGHT IRONS

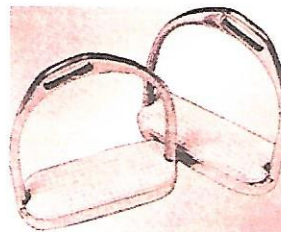
- Permitted for all activities



Regular straight irons



Fillis Irons



Offset Irons



Straight Iron with tread fitted

3. QUICK RELEASE STIRRUP IRONS

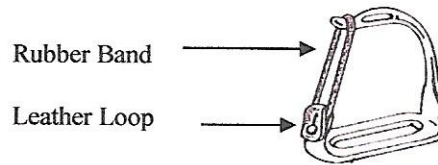
- Permitted for all activities
- Hinges must be regularly cleaned and oiled.



Hinged Spring Iron

4. PEACOCK IRONS

- Permitted for all activities
- Rubber band and leather loop to be in good repair
- Rubber band and leather loop to be worn on the outside ie not next to horse/pony when rider's foot is in the stirrup



5. FREE JUMP IRONS

Allowed for all activities



6. JAKOB STIRRUPS

- Permitted for all activities
- Coil spring sections in both shanks ease the impact on the horse's back as well as on the hip, knee and ankle joints of the rider
- Shanks also bend to provide a flat surface in the 'heels down' position

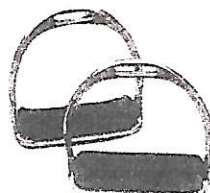


7. STIRRUP TREADS

- Use of stirrup treads is optional in any activity,
- Must be made of rubber.
- Must be the correct size for the stirrup iron i.e. not be wider than the base of the iron



Rubber Tread



The front stirrup iron has a correctly fitting tread

The back stirrup iron has a rubber tread that is too big, turning up at the ends – this is dangerous