**NOT PERMITTED**

Headstalls with metal (no matter how wrapped) or twisted rawhide over the poll

**NOT PERMITTED**

Curb bit used with running martingale without rein stops
Must have rein stops

**NOT PERMITTED**

Bumper bits metal under jaw not permitted no matter how wrapped or padded

**PERMITTED**

Gag/slip bit used with 3/8” rope or leather over poll

**PERMITTED**

Running martingale with rein stops

**PERMITTED**

German martingale

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-Jim Heird, executive professor and coordinator of the equine sciences initiative at Texas A&M University, former chairman of the AQHA Animal Welfare Commission and 2018 AQHA President.