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## **USER MANUAL AND SAFETY WARNINGS FOR GEL PADS**

Please, read carefully this user manual and warnings before using any gel pads models. If the gel pads are used by minors, please be sure to provide them with the following information.

In case that the the gel pads are used by a minor, it's mandatory the oversight from an adult and expert person that must explain to the minor the correct usage of the gel pad, by providing and teaching them all the information contained in this manual. Our gel pads collection includes different models, with different thicknesses and characteristics; the main aspects to keep in mind when choosing a gel pad are:

- structure of the horse's back
- fit of the saddle on the horse's back
- position of the rider in the saddle
- changes in the horse's muscle structure

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

Horsena gel pads have been designed to fit properly under any type of English saddle. All the models are available in 2 different versions, dressage and jumping shape.

To fit properly the gel pad, place it on the horses back matching the central line of the pad with the horse's vertebral spine and wither.

The 2 sider wings are the front part of the pad and should point towards the horse's shoulders; while the rounded part is the rear and should face the horse's back.

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Make sure the gel is placed correctly on the back verifying that the withers and spine are properly protected.

After placing on the saddle pad and the saddle lift the equipment slightly at the withers and move forward a few centimeters. This small tip allows a better positioning of the equipment for the whole duration of the exercise.

Horsena gel pads are non-toxic, and are free to be used in direct contact with the horse's skin.

Our slim and the regular models are reversible and can be place in contact wirh the horse's skin on between the cotton pad and the saddle.

Our front and back balance models are equipped with an integrated riser and are designed to match with the panels of the saddle, for this reason we suggest to use these between the classic cotton pad and the saddle.

Nothing prevents from using the Gel Pad without the addition of another saddle pad, but being structured to protect from shocks the back and withers area, we always recommend the use of a "baby" saddle pad to protect the areas in contact with the saddle's flap.

If needed Horsena gel pads models can be combined with each other. One popular possibility to ensure a prefect stability of the saddle and high shock absorption is to place the slim model on the horse's skin, plus the classic cotton pad, and another model as the riders need (es. Front balance gel pad).

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The Horsena gel pads do not contain liquids and be cut with a pair of scissors to adjust the shape or the size.

The collection is equipped with a ventilation system that allows air circulation and blood flow. If the Gel is used in direct contact with the horse's back, after use there is the possibility to notice small protrusions near the affected area (more frequently on clipped horses and/or with a clear coat). These are not harmful to the horse and cannot cause allergic reactions, but on the contrary stimulate the circulatory system. They are disappearing on their own after a few minutes.

## **MAINTENANCE AND CARE**

We advise to clean the gel under running water after every use.

The gel can be also wash by hand with mild soap, or in the water machine at 30° with gentle cycle, protecting it with a laundry bag for water machines.

The gel does not absorb water, so it dries very easily.

To prolong the useful life of the product, we recommend store the gel pads cleaned and in a dry place far from direct heat sources.

We remind that the horse sweat and bacteria can be a possible cause of corrosion, for this reason is essential to careful maintain the gel pad clean to guarantee it's natural grip and elasticity.

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Gel is a sticky thermoplastic material with the tendency to release oil (in particular when it's new). To avoid staining leather parts or fabrics, we suggest to store the gel pad not in contact with any other equipment.

## **WARNINGS**

Remember that gel pads have to be placed accurately on the horse's back for a proper fit

Don't crush

Do not throw or drop

Do not tumble dry

Do not scrub with hard bristle brushes

Do not expose under direct sunlight and/or direct heat sources

Do not use like an anti-stress ball

Do not leave the product to minors without adult supervision

Avoid release into the environment.

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## **WARRANTY**

The warranty does not cover wear, third-party changes, improper storage or maintenance and/or use, that is, other than that for which the device was designed.

All Horseana products are tested and checked carefully before being launched into the market. Horseana gel pads collection is covered by a 1-year warranty, which is valid starting from the date of purchase, against defects in materials or manufacturing. Consequently, we do recommend to save the fiscal receipt, because the date of emission of the fiscal receipt will declare the starting of the warranty period.

To submit a complaint send an email to [info@horseana.com](mailto:info@horseana.com). We will reply as soon as possible.

BENETTI HUB srl, owner of the brand HORSEANA decline any responsibility due to the lack of respect of what indicated above in the current USER HANDBOOK AND SAFETY NOTES.

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