

Public Statement on the Use of Hog Rings as Anti-cribbing Device

The use of hog rings as a device to prevent a horse from cribbing causes significant visible damage to the gingiva surrounding the maxillary incisors, which causes the potential for persistent pain and periodontal disease.

Until such time as scientific evidence is available to demonstrate that the procedure and device does not cause unnecessary pain and is not harmful to the gingiva, maxillary incisors and supporting structures, the AAEP does not support the use of hog rings as an anti-cribbing device.

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