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Wearing modified harness

Situation

Class rules permit the use of a harness, with a maximum weight of 4kgs.

A competitor uses a harness which weighed 2.5kg when purchased and 3,9 kg after being modified.

Question

Will it qualify as wearing equipment for the purpose of increasing competitor's weight?

Answer

It depends.

If the primary purpose for modifying the harness is to increase its weight by adding heavyweight elements or components, wearing such equipment will be considered as purposeful increasing of competitor's weight and therefore it will break rule 50.1(a), even if the harness is within the maximum weight allowed by the class rules.

The same principle applies to wearing an unnecessarily heavy unmodified equipment.

状況

クラス規則では、最大重量 4kg のハーネスを使用することが認められている。 ある選手が、購入時 2.5kg、改造後 3.9kg のハーネスを使用している。

質問

競技者の体重を増加させる目的の装備に該当するか?

回答

場合による。

ハーネスを改造する主な目的が、重量のある要素や部品を追加して重量を増やすことである場合、そのような装備の着用は、競技者の重量を意図的に増加させるとみなされ、たとえハーネスがクラス規則で認められている最大重量内であっても、規則 50.1 (a) に違反することになる。

不必要に重い無改造の装備を身につけるのも、同じ原理である。

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