Cinch fitting tips from Classic Equine.

The cinch is a lifeline that holds your saddle in place, which in turn keeps you in a stable position during competition. Because there is so much riding on your cinch, we wanted to give you some helpful tips that will benefit you and your horse.

Tip 1: First and foremost, you must use a cinch that is specifically designed with your horse's comfort in mind.

Tip 2: Choose a cinch by measuring the distance from one heart girth or "sweet spot" under the belly to the opposite one.

Tip 3: When the cinch is tight, the D's should lay flat and clean against the horse's heart girth or "sweet spot". If it rides above or below the sweet spot, it can cause soreness and discomfort.

Tip 4: To allow flexibility or "give" as your horse moves, use a cinch/latigo combination. Leather is a natural fiber that has "give". Leather latigos slightly expand and move with the horse as you ride.

Tip 5: Use a cinch with stainless steel hardware. Stainless steel is long lasting and will not rust, corrode or bind up. Classic

Equine cinches are made with stainless steel hardware to ensure you're getting the highest quality product possible.

Tip 6: Help your cinch last longer by flipping and rotating sides every three to six months. This will ensure your cinch wears evenly, extending the life of the cinch so you get the most out of your investment.