If the Whitfield Bill becomes law, all divisions other than Country Pleasure will be illegal.
Those 7 divisions comprise over 90% of the under saddle classes and horses at a typical
Tennessee Walking Horse Show including the Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration®.

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The Tennessee Walking Show Horse is so versatile that he can be shown in eight different divisions based on how he is shod. Within those divisions there are additional categories determined by such things as tack, under saddle or driving. Below are the eight catagories and some examples.

Flat Shod Shoeing Rules:

Bands Optional in all Divisions. Metal hoof bands, such as used to anchor or strengthen pads and shoes are permitted, so long as they are placed at least one half inch below the bottom of cornet band.

Clips Optional in all Divisions when drawn from the original steel, or poured.

The shoe is not to extend beyond the bulb of the horse's heel when a perpendicular line is draw from the bulb of the horse's heel to the ground.

The shoe must not extend more then ¼" beyond the hoof at the toe.

Turn Back will be measured from front to rear of caulk.

Country Pleasure

Country Pleasure:

Maximum $3/8" \times 3/4"$ Stamped steel or aluminum keg shoe Borium allowed on toe, maximum $1-\frac{1}{2}"$ in length, and small spots on heels Poured Heels allowed

Trail Pleasure:

Maximum 3/8' x 3/4" Cold or Hot Roll Steel, or aluminum show Maximum 1 1/2" turn back Borium allowed on the caulks but the thickness of the shoe, caulk and borium must not exceed 7/8"

Lite Shod:

Maximum ½" x 1" Cold or Hot Roll Steel or aluminum shoe Maximum 1½" turn back Borium allowed on the caulks of shoe, but the thickness of the shoe, caulk and borium must not exceed 1 1/8"

Classic Park Pleasure:

Maximum ½" x1 ½" shoe
Cold or Het Roll Steel or aluminum shoe
Maximum 1 5/8 " turn back
Borium allowed on the caulks of shoe, but the thickness of the shoe, caulk and borium must not exceed 1 1/8"



Park Pleasure



Park Performance



Performance

Plantation Pleasure:

Maximum 1 ½" x ¾" shoe, Open to any steel

Maximum 1 1/2 " turn bask

Borium allowed on the caulks of shoe, but the thickness of the shoe,
caulk and borium must not exceed 1 1/8"

Park Pleasure:

Maximum ½" x 1 ½" shoe
Open to any steel
Maximum 1 5/8" turn back
Borium allowed on the caulks of shoe, but the thickness of the shoe, caulk and borium must not exceed 1 1/8"

Park Performance

The Park Performance horse is allowed to have flat pads, wedge pads, or a combination of both that do not exceed a thickness of one inch (1"). Rock back pads are not allowed. Acceptable action devices are allowed.

Performance, Fine Harness, Special Classes

A Performance Horse is a horse that has received training to accentuate the natural gaits associated with the breed. Such horses must perform with action devices to give an added dimension to their performance in the ring. Performance Horses must be shown in pads as required by the shoeing rules and regulations. The Performance Horse pads must exceed those of the Park Performance division. Performance Horses are shown with braced tails, either Walking Horse or humane type. (Caps and Switches are optional)

Acrylic can be used to repair and mend a hoof where the shoe has been thrown and the hoof has been damaged. Acrylic or any other material cannot be used for the purpose of extending the length of the natural hoof in any manner on both feet, which includes the toes or heels. Acrylic can be used to fill in around the nail holes or cracks on the sides of the hoof.

No additional weight shall be allowed on or in the hoof, other than the shoe, nails, and band.