

LG-Zaum Fitting Instructions

The LG-Zaum Bitless Bridle is intended to be used with soft hands and not as a "controlling" device. It allows several options for customizing fit and feel for your horse. Here are some general guidelines to get you started. Use your horse's feedback to help fine tune settings that are right for both of you.



Basic Fit

Leave one wheel space open between the nose strap, chin strap, and headstall attachments. The nose band should be positioned above the protruding nasal bone. The wheels should be positioned approximately one finger in front of the cheek bones. If the noseband comes too far down, put the nose strap into the wheel space closer to the headstall.

Your headstall cheek straps will need to be shorter than with a standard bit since the wheel sits higher.

The LG-Zaum bridle should be snug. There should be no more than one finger's width between the nose band and the horse's head. The same applies to the wheels. Allow two fingers for the chin strap. Adjust as necessary.

If you have chosen the chain chin strap, make sure to keep the chain centered on the bones under the chin. CAUTION: The chain may be too strong for some horses. Choose the leather chin strap for sensitive horses.

Attaching Reins

To attach the reins you have three options:

Standard: Attach the reins to wheel space A. This creates the softest leverage by rotating the wheel with the slightest rein pressure.

Leveraged: Attach the reins to wheel space B. This allows for stronger leverage, should your horse need it.

Sidepull: Attach the reins to wheel slot C. The LG-Zaum can then be used as a sidepull.

NOTE: You may want to add trigger snaps to your reins or use "clip-on" reins to make adjustments quick and easy.



Optional Shanks

You can create a double bridle, for advanced equitation, with the optional shanks. Simply clip your second set of reins into the shank loops. The nose strap and chin strap can be a bit looser. WARNING: Do not ride the horse with single reins attached to the shank. This causes extreme leverage that can injure your horse!