

Dubai Police Find 'Shock' Robots At Camel Races

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DUBAI, United Arab Emirates - Dubai undercover agents say they've wrapped up a real sting operation -- finding devices that delivered electric shocks to camels to make them run faster in races.

Media reports Thursday say two men are accused of selling the so-called "shock jockeys."

Small vibrating robot "jockeys" are used atop camels for racing in the United Arab Emirates. Authorities banned boy riders several years ago after complaints by rights groups.

Reports say police posing as buyers arrested the suspects at a camel racing track. The units allegedly sold for up to 30,000 dirhams (\$820) -- about 30 times the cost for the regular robots.

Camel racing is a popular traditional sport in the UAE.

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