

- (3) A jockey is responsible for the serviceable condition of his helmet and safety vest but in the case of an apprentice the responsibility rests with the apprentice and the trainer to whom he is allocated. A helmet is not considered as serviceable if it has sustained a severe impact or when the jockey wearing it has suffered from a concussion as a result of a fall. In such circumstances the helmet must be immediately replaced.
- (4) No jockey may wear or have in his possession a helmet or safety vest which is not of a design approved by the Stewards or which has been modified in any way. The Stewards may confiscate any helmet or safety vest which is not of an approved design or which has been modified in any way.
- (6) No jockey shall use stirrup irons the design of which has not been approved by the Stewards.
- (7) No substitute for a whip shall be carried in any race.

Rule 95. Every horse running in a race shall carry a number cloth which must be worn so that the number is clearly visible.

Rule 96. Any trainer or any other person found guilty of carelessness or neglect in the saddling of and/or presenting of a horse for a race, barrier trial, stalls test or trackwork may be penalised.

Going to Post

Rule 97. Subject to the powers conferred on the Stewards by these Rules, the Stewards may order any horse to be ridden in front of the stand before going to the post and the Stewards shall decide the distance to be traversed. If a horse is not ridden in front of the stand the Stewards may hold an inquiry into whether the jockey has made all reasonable endeavours to comply with this Rule.

Rule 98. Every horse that is brought to a racecourse to compete in a race shall be attended at all times while it is on such racecourse.

The Race

- Rule 99.** (1) Every horse that runs in a race shall be run on its merits.
- (2) The jockey of every horse shall take all reasonable and permissible measures throughout the race to ensure that his horse is given a full opportunity to win or to obtain the best possible placing in the field.

- (3) A trainer shall be responsible for ensuring horses trained by him are ridden and perform in a consistent manner wherever possible.
- (4) A trainer may be penalised if in the opinion of the Stewards any instruction or direction given to or arrangement made with a jockey of a horse trained by him is unreasonably different from or inconsistent with those given to or made with a jockey of the horse at its previous start or starts.
- (5) The jockey of every horse must ride in such a manner to benefit only its own best interests and not to the advantage of other horses or riders.
- (6) Any person who in the opinion of the Stewards breaches or is a party to breaching any portion of this Rule may be penalised and the horse may be disqualified or have its entry or declaration refused.

Rule 100. (1) Any jockey of a horse commits an offence if in the opinion of the Stewards his riding was (i) foul, or (ii) dangerous, or (iii) improper, or (iv) reckless, or (v) incompetent, or (vi) careless.

- (2) Every jockey shall ride his mount out all the way to the end of the race to the satisfaction of the Stewards.

Rule 101. (1) A horse may on a protest/objection be disqualified if its jockey jeopardised the chance of any other horse in a race.

- (2) When a placed horse or its jockey is found to have caused interference, that horse may, on a protest/objection be disqualified, or placed last, or placed behind the horse or horses with which it interfered if the Stewards consider that the horse interfered with would have finished ahead of the first-mentioned horse had such interference not occurred. For the purposes of this Rule “placed horse” means a horse placed in a place that qualifies it for prize money.

- (3) In the event that any part of the jockey of a horse makes contact with the ground during the running of a race but still has contact with the horse at the end of the race the horse shall be deemed not to have carried the weight. In these circumstances the horse shall on a sustained protest/objection be disqualified for the race.

Rule 102. The trainer or other person in charge of a horse shall report to the Stewards as soon as practicable any condition or other matter which may significantly affect the running of their horse in a race.

Rule 103. The trainer, and/or jockey of a horse shall report to the Stewards as soon as practicable anything which might have affected the running of their horse in a race.

Rule 104. In the event of anything that might have any bearing on the past or the future running of a horse coming to the notice of the trainer of a horse that has competed in any race, such trainer shall report the matter to the Stewards as soon as practicable.

Rule 105. The trainer, and/or jockey of a horse that has competed in a race shall immediately after such race report to the Stewards any loss or breakage of gear or any other unusual happening relating to their horse during the running of the race.

Void Races

Rule 106. (1) Unless elsewhere provided in these Rules, if a race has been run by all the horses at wrong weights; or over a wrong course; or if the race has been started in front of the starting stalls or post; or if the Starter has declared a false start and is unable to so notify the jockeys, the Stewards shall order the race to be abandoned and thereby declared void.

(2) If the race be run before the appointed time or if no qualified horse covers the course in accordance with these Rules the race may be declared void.

Walking Over

Rule 107. It shall not be necessary for a horse to “walk over” the entire course if only one declared runner is available to start in a race, but that horse shall be ridden past the Judge’s box and shall then be deemed the winner.

Dead Heats

Rule 108. When horses run a dead-heat for first or any lower place the sum of the prizes available for those horses had they not dead-heated but had finished in successive places shall be divided equally between the owners of such horses, and the dead-heat shall not be run off.

Rule 109. Each horse that divides a prize for first shall be deemed a winner.

Rule 110. When a dead-heat is run for second place or minor placings and a protest/objection is made and sustained to the winner or other placed horses of the race, the horses which ran the dead-heat shall be deemed to have run a dead-heat for first, second, third, fourth place or any other placing as applicable.