- (2) Prior to any race no person other than an Official in the course of his duties or the relevant trainer shall except by leave of the Stewards or Starter touch the jockey or his horse or any of its equipment.
- (3) No jockey shall, except by leave of the Stewards or Starter, speak to or communicate in any way with any person other than the trainer or nominator of his mount, or their Authorised Agent, or an Official in respect of his duties, or another jockey during the race on a safety issue.

## Non Runners

- Rule 92. (1) Every horse that has been declared to run shall run in the race for which it was declared. If it fails to do so the Stewards may, unless they are satisfied that the horse was unsuitable to run or that circumstances acceptable to them prevented the horse from running, penalise the owner or his representative.
  - (2) If the horse is withdrawn on veterinary advice a certificate from the Veterinary Officer or the Veterinary Surgeon must be submitted to the Stewards.
  - (3) If a horse which has been entered to run in any race is subsequently withdrawn from such race due to a condition, treatment, administration of a prohibited substance or other matter which was known to the trainer at the time the horse was entered to run, the trainer may be penalised.

## Equipment

- **Rule 93.** (1) A saddle includes the girth, surcingle, leathers or webs, and stirrup irons of a design approved by the Stewards.
  - (2) Every jockey is responsible for the serviceable condition of the saddle which he uses, provided that in the case of an apprentice the responsibility rests with him and the trainer to whom he is allocated.
  - (3) All lead or other weight included by a jockey when weighing-out for a race riding engagement must be properly secured in a jockey's lead bag or saddle pouch.