Licensing Matters

- Rule 17. The Club may grant, refuse, vary, suspend or withdraw a licence, or stand down a licensed person in accordance with these Rules and/or any policy or criteria as approved by the Stewards of the Jockey Club from time to time.
- **Rule 18.** The Club may refer any licensing matter to the Stewards of the Jockey Club for determination.
- Rule 19. The Stewards of the Jockey Club may constitute a special panel consisting of not less than three members to hear and decide upon a particular matter referred to them under Rule 18. The Stewards of the Jockey Club may appoint any Member or executive of the Club to join the panel, provided that at least one member of such panel must be a Steward of the Jockey Club.
- **Rule 20.** The Stewards of the Jockey Club may determine and regulate the form of and the procedure for any inquiry it may hold under Rule 19. The Stewards of the Jockey Club or any special panel constituted under Rule 19 may invite representatives of the Club to attend the hearing of any inquiry it may hold to make such representations as the Club may consider to be relevant to the issues to be determined by the Stewards of the Jockey Club or the special panel in the inquiry.

Licensing Appeals

- Rule 21. (1) Except in the circumstances set out in Rule 16 (2), any person aggrieved by a licensing decision made under these Rules may appeal against such decision to the Stewards of the Jockey Club in accordance with this Rule 21 and Rules 133 and 134.
 - (2) The Stewards of the Jockey Club may grant pending the determination of any appeal a suspension of the decision appealed against.

Standing Down or Suspension of Licensed Persons and Temporary Restrictions on Owners

- Rule 22. (1) Without limiting any other Rules, the Club may:
 - immediately stand down or suspend the licence of a person charged with a criminal offence in Hong Kong or elsewhere which is associated with horse racing, betting or bookmaking until the conclusion of those criminal proceedings;