

- (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- (2) If the horse is withdrawn on veterinary advice a certificate from the Veterinary Officer or the Veterinary Surgeon must be submitted to the Stewards.
 - (3) If a horse which has been entered to run in any race is subsequently withdrawn from such race due to a condition, treatment, administration of a prohibited substance or other matter which was known to the trainer at the time the horse was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.

- Rule 94.** (1) Every jockey when mounted on a horse on any racecourse for the purpose of riding in a race or during training shall wear a correctly fitted helmet of a design approved by the Stewards. Every jockey shall when mounted on a horse have the chin strap of his helmet firmly fastened unless prior permission has been granted by the Stewards.
- (2) Every jockey when mounted on a horse on any racecourse for the purpose of riding in a race or during training shall wear a safety vest of a design approved by the Stewards.
- (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.
- (5) No jockey shall use stirrup irons the design of which has not been approved by the Stewards.
- (6) 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.