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## **PRESS STATEMENT**

### **Amendments and Addition to MRA Rules of Racing 65 and 92A and Deletion of MRA Regulation 26.4**

Annex A sets out the amendments and addition (highlighted in bold) to MRA Rules of Racing 65 and 92A and deletion of MRA Regulation 26.4 for implementation.

#### **Applications for Assistant Trainer Licences**

2 Ismadi bin Ismail and Jacqueline Lee Detert were granted Assistant Trainer licences for the remainder of the 2010 racing season. They are attached to Trainers Evert van Breukelen and Patrick Bernard Shaw respectively.

#### **Application for Professional Jockey Licence**

3 Ronald Lepley Stewart was granted a Professional Jockey licence for the remainder of the 2010 racing season.

#### **Applications for "B" Grade Apprentice Jockey Licences**

4 Liew Seng Cheong, Ng Seh Beng, S Saravanan a/l Suppramaniam and Tengku Rehaizat bin Tengku Razali were granted "B" Grade Apprentice Jockey licences for the remainder of the 2010 racing season. They would be indentured to Trainers Peter Lee Choong Leng, Alwin Tan Hai Wang, Tony Yeoh Lam Wah and Desmond Koh Chor Yung respectively.

### **Applications for "C" Grade Apprentice Jockey Licences**

5 Cheok Wei Wen, Kevin Lee Fei Yang, Troy See Han Poh, Shaikh Faridzuan bin Shaikh Mohd Fauzi and Tan Weili were granted "C" Grade Apprentice Jockey licences for the remainder of the 2010 racing season. Cheok Wei Wen and Troy See Han Poh would be indentured to Trainer David Kok Teik Wai. Kevin Lee Fei Yang, Shaikh Faridzuan bin Shaikh Mohd Fauzi and Tan Weili would be indentured to Trainers Brian William Dean, Roy Bradley Rogers and Mok Zhan Lun respectively.

### **Renewal of Assistant Trainer Licence**

6 The Assistant Trainer licence of Donald Chiang Cheng Hian was renewed for the remainder of the 2010 racing season. He is attached to Trainer Leslie Khoo Peng Ann.

### **Applications for MRA Pass**

7 The following persons were granted Stable Supervisor permits for the remainder of the 2010 racing season:

	<u>Stable Supervisor</u>	<u>Employer (Trainer)</u>
.1	D'Zulkifli bin Ismail	Patrick Bernard Shaw
.2	Goh Yong Guan	Alwin Tan Hai Wang
.3	Jarred Felix Coetzee	Kevin Felix Coetzee
.4	Segaran a/l Periannan	Tan Joo Hock

**AMENDMENTS AND ADDITION TO MRA RULES OF RACING 65 AND 92A  
AND DELETION OF MRA REGULATIONS 26.4**

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**MRA RULES OF RACING**

**PART VII : OWNERSHIP OF HORSES**

**Racing Colours**

**Rule 65 [Amend rule w.e.f. 15 June 2010]**

- (1) Every Owner, intending to race a horse(s) under these Rules shall register at least one set of Racing Colours with the Association prior to entering a horse to race in the name of the said ownership. However, with the prior written permission of the Committee, a visiting Owner may race a horse in his own Colours provided they are currently registered with another recognised Racing Authority.
- (2) All Colours shall be re-registered annually and an application for the registration of Colours, as well as that for annual re-registrations, shall be made on the form prescribed by the Association and shall be accompanied by a fee as determined by the Committee.
- (3) Each Club shall register at least three (3) sets of 'Club Colours' for the use at their race meetings when necessary. The fee for registering these Club Colours may be waived at the discretion of the Committee.
- (4) All Colours shall be of a material and design approved by the Committee which shall have full discretion to register, refuse to register and /or cancel any set of Colours.
- (5) No two horses in a race shall be run in the same Colours and a horse registered with the Association may only run in a race in the Registered Racing Colours of the Owner except that:

- (a) An Owner having more than one (1) runner in the same race may be permitted, at the discretion of the Clerk of Scales, to either change the colour of his cap(s) or apply to race his other runner(s) in his other registered colours or in a set of 'Club Colours' made available for this purpose by the Club;
- (b) **When two or more horses, the property of the same owner, start in a race, the rider of the horse carrying the heavier weight shall wear the first (No. 1) set and the rider of the horse next in the weights shall carry the second (No. 2) set, etc. If an owner has only one runner entered in a race, this horse shall carry the first set of colours.**
- (c) If the registered Colours of a runner are not available for any reason the Owner, or his Trainer, may be permitted, at the discretion of the Clerk of Scales to use a set of Club Colours on payment of a fine as determined by the Local Committee.

#### **Horses with Atrial Fibrillation**

##### **Rule 92A [Add new rule w.e.f. 15 June 2010]**

- (1) **Any horse that suffers from a first and/or second attack of Atrial Fibrillation during training or racing will not be permitted to start in any race until it has completed a satisfactory gallop of at least 1000 metres in the presence of a Stipendiary Steward and followed by an examination and electrocardiogram by the Veterinary Surgeon.**
- (2) **A horse that suffers from a third attack of Atrial Fibrillation during training or racing shall be permanently banned from racing.**
- (3) **Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the Stewards on receiving a written report from the Veterinary Surgeon, endorsed by the Stipendiary Stewards, shall have the right to refuse entries permanently or for any recommended length of time for any horse that they may consider to be a serious risk to racing at any stage.**

## **MRA REGULATION**

### **PERSONS: LICENCED OR REGISTERED**

#### **Jockeys**

#### **Regulation 26.4 [*Delete regulation w.e.f. 1 July 2010*]**

#### **Demerit Point System**

Under the Jockeys' Demerit Points System, a Jockey will receive one demerit point for each day of suspension imposed under Rule 44(9)(a). (Amended 1/12/08)

- (a) A demerit point shall be effective for a period of twelve (12) months commencing from the date the suspension takes effect.
- (b) Any Jockey, who accumulates twenty (20) demerit points within any twelve (12) month period, shall be suspended for a period of three (3) months, such suspension shall take effect from the date of his latest suspension under Rule 44.
- (c) Upon completion of the three (3) months' suspension, the Jockey will be permitted to ride after compliance with Rule 48(7) and the demerit points accumulated by the Jockey prior to the suspension shall no longer apply.
- (d) Any Jockey who accumulates twenty (20) demerit points within the twelve (12) months immediately following the completion of any suspension under Regulation 26.4(b) shall be disqualified for a further period of three (3) months. Such disqualification shall take effect from the date of his latest suspension under these Rules.

- (e) Any Jockey who is so disqualified under this Regulation shall surrender his licence to the Association. Upon the completion of the disqualification and if the Jockey has not been in breach of any restrictions or conditions of disqualification during the period of disqualification, the Jockey will be issued with a new licence for the remainder of the racing season and the demerit points accumulated by the Jockey prior to the mandatory disqualification shall no longer apply.
  
- (f) There shall be no right of appeal against the suspension or disqualification imposed under this Scheme.