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TO: ALL OWNER / TRAINERS

**ONE-OFF DISPENSATION ON THE IMPORTATION CRITERIA FOR MACAU JOCKEY CLUB REGISTERED HORSES TO BE REGISTERED FOR MALAYSIA RACING.**

We are pleased to announce that the MRHCC has granted a One-Off Dispensation on the Importation Criteria for Macau Jockey Club Registered Horses to be registered for Malaysia Racing, as outlined below:

**1) A raced horse must:**

- a) not be more than six (6) years old upon arrival in Malaysia, and**
- b) have a minimum Domestic Macau Rating of 28.**

**2) All qualified horses registered with the MRA will be subjected to a five (5) point increment in the Malaysia Central Rating System (CRS) from their original Macau Domestic Rating.**

**3) Any raced horse age seven(7) years old and above is only eligible for registration into Class 2 and above. Such a horse must, within a period of six (6) months immediately preceding its arrival in Malaysia, have been placed in the top four (4) positions in a race of sufficient value and of comparative quality and standard to satisfy the Panel of Handicappers of Malaysia as to its suitability for registration. In addition, prior written approval must be sought from the Panel of Handicappers of Malaysia before importation of any horse to race in Malaysia. Such prior written approval must also be obtained from the Panel of Handicappers of Malaysia before any appeal under the MRA Rules of Racing and Regulations can be made. For the avoidance of doubt, satisfaction of the above criteria does not guarantee registration.**

**4) All horses to be imported into Malaysia must undergo a uniform and independent veterinary examination prior to their importation. The Veterinary Certificate attesting the fitness and soundness of the horses to race must be provided before such importation, and the medical history of such horse shall be provided to the Official Veterinary Surgeons of the receiving Club.**

**5) All other importation criteria as set forth in the MRA Rules and Regulations must be adhered to.**

2. This One-Off Dispensation takes effect immediately and remains applicable until the end of the 2024 calendar year.

We hope this will create more opportunities and encourage owners to bring in new horses into Malaysia Racing.

Best regards,



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