

**Rule 20.** Any person attending or required to attend before the Licensing Committee shall not be entitled to be represented by any other person, whether a member of the legal profession or otherwise, provided that an apprentice may be represented by his allocated trainer or another trainer acting for his allocated trainer.

### **Licensing Appeals**

**Rule 21.** Any licensed person, except a non-local jockey, aggrieved by a refusal of the Licensing Committee to grant him a further licence may appeal against the Licensing Committee's decision to the Stewards of the Jockey Club. The conditions for such appeals are provided elsewhere in these Rules.

**Rule 22.** The appellant and the Licensing Committee shall be entitled to legal representation at any appeal.

### **Penalties for Offences**

- Rule 23. (1)** Any person or body authorised by these Rules to penalise any person or to disqualify a horse for a race or generally may, subject to the Hong Kong Employment Ordinance and any other applicable law, do so by disqualification or suspension for any period or for any indefinite period and may in lieu thereof or in addition thereto impose a fine not exceeding HK\$600,000 or may impose only a fine not exceeding HK\$600,000. Provided that the power to warn-off is reserved to the Stewards of the Jockey Club.
- (2)** A penalty of suspension imposed by the Stewards shall normally commence at the conclusion of the race meeting that immediately follows the race meeting at which the penalty was incurred. Provided that the Stewards may impose such a penalty with immediate effect or defer the commencement of a suspension. A penalty of disqualification takes immediate effect.
- (3)** No person shall be entitled to make any claim by reason of the imposition, annulment, removal, mitigation or remission of any penalty imposed under these Rules.
- (4)** No Official or Member of the Club shall be liable to any person for any loss or damage sustained by that person arising out of the exercise of any right, privilege, power, duty or discretion conferred or imposed under these Rules.