1. DEFINITIONS

1.1 In these Rules:

“All Up” means the form of Betting under these Rules where a Backer picks a selection or selections in Matches selected from a Schedule of Matches and/or a selection or selections in tournaments and requests the Operator to process any Dividend entitlement or Refund on other Matches, tournaments and/or selections in accordance with the Backer's irrevocable instruction and such pre-determined formulae which the Operator may permit from time to time.

“Away Team” means the second listed team, from left to right in the Schedule of Matches, when printed or published horizontally by the Operator and from top to bottom in the Schedule of Matches, when printed or published vertically by the Operator.

“Backer” means any person who places a Football Bet.

“Being Substituted” means, for the purposes of Rule 3.21(a)(iii), the substitution of a player by another player of the same Team during the Play Time of the Match, in accordance with the official rules of the body organizing the Match.

“Betting” is descriptive of a system by which a Backer may submit a Football Bet.

“Betting Account” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Betting Day” means the operating hours for a day or days as advertised by the Operator from time to time.


“Betting Locations” mean the Club's Shatin and Happy Valley racecourses and off-site betting centres and such other location for Betting approved by the Operator from time to time. Where the context permits, the definition shall include the Club's official website and those websites approved or operated by the Operator which allow for the making of a
Football Bet over the Internet.

“Betting Terminal” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Betting Ticket” means a physical ticket issued to a Backer having been duly validated by a Betting Terminal; and for any Facilities utilised by the Operator, where no physical tickets are issued, the part of the Official Record detailing a specific Football Bet shall be the Betting Ticket.

“Cash” means notes or coins in the Hong Kong currency.

“Cash Voucher” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Club” means The Hong Kong Jockey Club.

“Combo” means a selection of teams in a tournament specified and grouped by the Operator in respect of a Top Scoring Team Football Bet.

“Computer Record” means the record or records produced by the computer system utilised by the Operator.

“Continent” means one of the six continental football confederations, namely Europe, Asia, Africa, North and Central America, South America and Oceania, to which the relevant governing body or authority of a team belongs.

“Corner” means a method of restarting a Match by a Team during the Play Time of a Match as awarded by the referee, as a result of the football leaving the field of play by crossing the goal line of the other Team without a Goal having been scored, having been adjudged by the referee to have been last touched by a player of that other Team, including its goalkeeper. For the avoidance of doubt, (a) a Corner awarded by the referee but not taken by the relevant Team will not be counted; (b) in the event that the referee orders a Corner to be re-taken, the re-taking will not be counted as a new Corner; and (c) in the event that the referee reviews and amends the declaration of a Corner, the Corner shall not be counted.

“Corner HiLo” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select whether the total number of Corner taken within the Play Time of a Match is higher or lower than the number specified by the Operator.
“Correct Score” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select the Official Score of a Match.

“Country” means the nation to which the relevant governing body or authority of a team belongs.

“Customer Input Terminal” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Defaced Ticket” means any physical Betting Ticket that has either been torn, damaged or defaced in such a way that in the Club's opinion the information recorded thereon cannot be deciphered.

“Designated Player” means a player who has been individually named by the Operator for the purposes of offering a Football Bet under Rule 3.21.

“Dividend” means:

(a) for Fixed Odds Football Bets, the winning stake of a Valid Football Bet multiplied by the Fixed Odds recorded in the Operator’s Official Record for such Valid Football Bet, subject to any maximum Dividend that the Operator may impose pursuant to Rule 2.15; and

(b) for Pari-mutuel Football Bets, the amount declared by the Operator to be paid on a Valid Football Bet in respect of the winning selection as applied to each type of Pari-mutuel Football Bet.

“Dividend Rounding Account” means the account which:

(a) will be credited with that part of a Net Pool undistributed consequential upon the rounding down of a Dividend; and

(b) will be debited to supplement a Net Pool when a Dividend is rounded up.

“Double HaFu Score” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select both the Half Time Score and the Official Score for each of two Matches nominated by the Operator.
“Draw” means where the Official Score, adjusted by the Handicap-goals where applicable, is level for the Home Team and the Away Team at the end of the Play Time of a Match.

“Echo” means the verbal repeat of a Football Bet by a Staff to a Backer at the time of the Backer making a Football Bet verbally using Telephone Betting as recorded in the Club's voice recording system.

“Electronic Funds Transfer” means the transfer of funds electronically using the Electronic Funds Transfer Terminal.

“Electronic Funds Transfer Terminal” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Electronic Shroff Card” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Electronic Wallet” or “eWallet” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Extra Time” means the official regulation period of play after the end of the Play Time of a Match where so required by the official rules of the body organising the Match or tournament, including the further time added to compensate for stoppages for injury or other factors during such period as determined by the referee or by the official rules of the body organizing the Match or tournament (for example the time taken for the referee to review, confirm or change his decision), but excluding the Penalty Shoot-outs or replays. For the avoidance of doubt, if a referee determines that a Match has ended before the completion of such official regulation period, “Extra Time” means the period of time actually played after the end of the Play Time of the Match.

“Facilities” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules. Where the context permits, the Facilities shall include the Betting Locations.

“First Half” means the official regulation period of play between the first kick off of a Match and the time when the referee stops the Match for the half time break, including the time added to compensate for stoppages for injury or other factors as determined by the referee or by the official rules of the body organizing the Match or tournament (for example the time taken for the referee to review, confirm or change his decision).
“First Half Correct Score” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select the Half Time Score of a Match.

“First Half HiLo” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select whether the total number of Goals scored in the First Half of a Match is higher or lower than the number specified by the Operator.

“First Half Home/Away/Draw” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select a Home Team to win, or an Away Team to win, or a Draw at the end of the First Half of a Match.

“First Scorer” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select which player of the two competing Teams in a Match will score the first Goal, or where appropriate, the player who will score the first Goal in a Match and Own Goal will not be counted.

“First Team to Score” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select which of the two competing Teams will, during the Play Time of a Match, score the first Goal or that no Goal will be scored during that time. For the avoidance of doubt, for a First Team to Score Football Bet, an Own Goal made during the Play Time will be counted in favour of the Team accredited with the Goal.

“Fixed Odds” means a multiplier set by the Operator at the time of a Football Bet being placed.

“Football Bet” includes reference to:

(a) a Valid Football Bet; or

(b) the tender by a Backer of his selection or selections in a particular football bet type either through the medium of a Betting Ticket or through any Facility utilised by the Operator and which tender becomes eligible under these Rules to be processed by the Operator; or

(c) a Random Football Bet.

For the avoidance of doubt, the term “Football Bet” shall also include a Tournament Bet.
“Full Time Result” means the result of a Match at the end of the Play Time as determined by the referee.

“Goal” means a point scored by a Team during the Play Time of a Match as determined by the referee, save for the purposes of (i) Next Team to Score Football Bets, “Goal” means a point scored by a Team during the Play Time or the Extra Time of a Match (as the case may be) as determined by the referee; of (ii) First Scorer Football Bets, “Goal” means a point scored by a player during the Play Time of a Match as determined by the referee; of (iii) Top Scorer Football Bets, “Goal” means a point scored by a player during the Play Time and the Extra Time of a Match as determined by the referee; of (iv) Top Scoring Team Football Bets, “Goal” means a point scored by a Team during the Play Time and the Extra Time of a Match in a tournament as determined by the referee; and of (v) Type 1 Specials Football Bet, “Goal” means a point scored by a Designated Player during the Play Time of a Match as determined by the referee.

“HaFu” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select both the Half Time Result and the Full Time Result of a Match.

“Half Time Result” means the result of a Match at the end of the First Half as determined by the referee.

“Half Time Score” means the number of Goals (if any) scored by each Team at the end of the First Half as determined by the referee.

“Handicap” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select the Winning Team in a Match after the Official Score has been adjusted with the pre-determined Handicap-goals.

“Handicap-goal” means an advantage or disadvantage of Goals imposed on a Team by the Operator for Betting purposes. The number of Handicap-goals to be offered is in multiples of whole or half Goals as the Operator may decide from time to time.

“Handicap Home/Away/Draw” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select a Home Team to win, an Away Team to win, or a Draw in a Match in accordance with the Handicap Score for that Football Bet.

“Handicap Score” means the Official Score of a Match adjusted by the applicable Handicap-goals.
“Hat-trick” means three Goals or more are scored by a Designated Player within the Play Time of a Match. Own Goals and Goals scored during Extra Time and Penalty Shoot-outs of the Match will not be counted.

“HiLo” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select whether the total number of Goals scored in a Match is higher or lower than the number specified by the Operator.

“Home/Away/Draw” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select a Home Team to win, or an Away Team to win, or a Draw at the end of the Play Time of a Match.

“Home Team” means the first listed team, from left to right in the Schedule of Matches, when printed or published horizontally by the Operator and from top to bottom in the Schedule of Matches, when printed or published vertically by the Operator.

“Hong Kong” means the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China.

“Internet” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Internet Facility” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Jackpot” means such amount deducted from a Jackpot Pool and allocated to and aggregated with a Net Pool as determined by the Operator.

“Jackpot Pool” means, in respect of each distinct Football Bet type, the accumulation of:

(a) that part of each Net Pool for such distinct Football Bet type for which there are no Winning Tickets;

(b) that part of each Net Pool for such distinct Football Bet type which, pursuant to these Rules, is not paid out or refunded; and

(c) each Jackpot which has not been aggregated with a specified Net Pool for such distinct Football Bet type.
“Jackpot Reserve Deduction” means, in respect of each distinct Football Bet type, deductions from each Net Pool determined and credited to a Jackpot Reserve Pool from time to time in accordance with Rule 4.3.

“Jackpot Reserve Pool” means, in respect of each distinct Football Bet Type, the accumulated Jackpot Reserve Deduction made pursuant to Rule 4.3.

“Losing Team” means the Team that has scored fewer Goals, adjusted with the Handicap-goals where applicable, at the end of the Play Time of a Match.

“Match” means a game of association football in which a Home Team and an Away Team compete against each other within the Play Time, save for the purposes of (i) Next Team to Score Football Bets, “Match” means a game of association football in which a Home Team and an Away Team compete against each other within the Play Time or within the Extra Time, as the case may be; of (ii) To Qualify Football Bets and Tournament Bets, the reference to “Play Time” in the definition of “Match” includes the Extra Time and the Penalty Shoot-outs, where applicable; and of (iii) Top Scoring Team Football Bets, the reference to “Play Time” in the definition of “Match” includes Extra Time, where applicable.

“Match Number” means a number assigned by the Operator to a particular Match listed in the Schedule of Matches to identify such Match.

“Match Venue” means the ground or stadium where a Match is to be played.

“Multi-Match HaFu” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select both the Half Time Results and the Full Time Results in all the Matches nominated by the Operator. 6 HaFu and 8 HaFu are types of Multi-Match HaFu.

“Named Player” means a player who has been individually named and individually offered Fixed Odds by the Operator to be the first player to score a Goal or the top scorer in a Match, selected Matches or a tournament, as the case may be; all scores excluding an Own Goal.

“Net Pool” means the Pool less the Percentage Deduction.

“Next Team to Score” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to
select which of the two competing Teams will score the next Goal or that no more Goals will be scored, during the Play Time or the Extra Time of a Match, as the case may be. For the avoidance of doubt, an Own Goal will be counted in favour of the Team accredited with the Goal.

“No First Scorer” means no Goal will be scored during a Match.

“No Goal” means no Goal is scored in a Match in respect of a First Team to Score Football Bet.

“No More Goals” means no more Goals are scored in a Match from the time a Next Team to Score Football Bet became a Valid Football Bet until the end of the Play Time or the Extra Time of the relevant Match, as the case may be.

“Odd/Even” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select whether the total number of Goals scored within the Play Time of a Match is an odd or even number. Where no Goals are scored this is counted as an “even” number for the purposes of the Football Bet.

“Official Record” means:

(a) subject to sub-rule (b) below, when applied to a Betting Ticket, a Cash Voucher or a transaction processed by a Betting Terminal, an Electronic Funds Transfer Terminal, a Customer Input Terminal, or through the use of an Electronic Shroff Card, the Internet Facility, an Electronic Wallet or the Club’s prescribed telephone system, the Computer Record; and

(b) when applied to a Football Bet placed verbally by a Backer to a Staff through Telephone Betting, the detail of the Echo confirmed by the Backer as evidenced by the Club's voice recording system or where there is no such confirmation or voice recording, the Computer Record.

“Official Score” means the number of Goals (if any) scored by each Team at the end of the Play Time in a Match as determined by the referee.

“Operator” means HKJC Football Betting Limited.

“Operator's Headquarters” means the Operator's premises situated at No. 1 Sports Road, Happy Valley, Hong Kong.
“Other Players” means any other player in a team, other than a Named Player, to be the first player to score a Goal or the top scorer in a Match, selected Matches or a tournament specified by the Operator, as the case may be; all scores excluding an Own Goal.

“Own Goal” means any Goal scored by a player against his own Team. Unless otherwise determined by the Operator or specified in these Rules, an Own Goal will be counted in favour of the Team accredited with the Goal by the referee as a Goal scored by that Team.

“Pari-mutuel” means a system of Betting where winners shall share the Net Pool in proportion to their stakes.

“Partial Unit Bet” means that fraction of a Unit Bet, which the Operator announces it will accept with respect to certain Football Bet types.

“Penalty Shoot-outs” means the official regulation period of play where kicks are being taken alternately by a Home Team and an Away Team from the penalty spot after the end of the Play Time and the Extra Time (where applicable) of a Match where the score is level and the official rules of the body organising the Match or tournament require the determination of an ultimate winner to that Match or tournament.

“Percentage Deduction” means the percentage of the total value of Valid Football Bets to be deducted by the Operator from each Pool or any part thereof from time to time.

“Play Time” means the official regulation period of play for a Match, including the time added to compensate for stoppages for injury or other factors as determined by the referee or by the official rules of the body organizing the Match or tournament (for example the time taken for the referee to review, confirm or change his decision), but excluding the Extra Time, the Penalty Shoot-outs or replays (save in respect of First Half Home/Away/Draw Football Bets, First Half Correct Score Football Bets and First Half HiLo Football Bets, in which case, “Play Time” means the First Half). For the avoidance of doubt, if a referee determines that a Match has ended before the completion of such official regulation period, “Play Time” means the period of time actually played during the relevant Match.

“Pool” means, in respect of each distinct Pari-mutuel type of Football Bet,
the total value of Valid Football Bets made by Backers for each such distinct Pari-mutuel type of Football Bet.

“Quick Pick Ticket” means a Betting Ticket on which each Football Bet is a Random Football Bet.

“Random Football Bet” means a football bet in which the selections to comprise the football bet are generated randomly by the computer utilised by the Operator.

“Red Card” means a penalty card a referee shows to expel a player from a Match.

“Refund” means the amount staked on each Valid Football Bet but which is not eligible to participate in the Pool, or the amount of stake to be returned to a Backer on a Void Match, or any other amount of stake to be returned by the Operator to a Backer pursuant to these Rules.

“Rules” means the rules herein contained, as amended from time to time.

“Schedule of Matches” means a list of Matches published by the Operator for Betting purposes from time to time.

“Season” means the period of time within a twelve-month period during which a tournament specified by the Operator is played.

“Second Half” means the period between the kick off after the half time break and the end of the Play Time of a Match.

“Self-Vending Terminal” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“Specials” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select the outcome of a special event as specified by the Operator in relation to a particular Match.

“Staff” means an employee of the Club and/or the Operator and includes an employee of any independent contractor having contractual arrangements with the Club and/or the Operator.

“Team” means either the Home Team or the Away Team in a Match.
“Telephone Betting” shall have the meaning as defined in the Betting Facilities Rules.

“To Qualify” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select a Home Team or an Away Team to qualify into the next round of a particular tournament.

“Top Scorer” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select the player in a tournament who scores the most number of Goals in the relevant tournament. For the avoidance of doubt, points scored by the player during the Play Time and the Extra Time of any Match in the relevant tournament will be counted but Own Goals will not be counted.

“Top Scoring Team” means a Football Bet in which a Backer has to select which team in a particular Combo will score the highest number of Goals during a specified period of time to be determined by the Operator within a specific tournament. For the avoidance of doubt, Own Goals will be counted in favour of the team accredited with the Goal for the purposes of a Top Scoring Team Football Bet.

“Total Goals” means a Football Bet in which the Backer has to select the total number of Goals in a Match.

“Tournament Bet” means a Football Bet in relation to a particular tournament or a number of tournaments in which the Backer has to select the winning combination or combinations for an event or result as specified by the Operator.

“Unit Bet” means in respect of each Football Bet type the minimum stake amount as the Operator may prescribe from time to time for that particular Football Bet type, subject to a Partial Unit Bet.

“Valid Football Bet” means each football bet that has been duly processed in accordance with these Rules and included in the Official Record.

“Void Match” means a Match that has been cancelled or abandoned before the end of the Play Time (save in respect of Next Team to Score Football Bets only, in which case, “Void Match” means a Match that has been cancelled or abandoned before the end of the Play Time or before the end of the Extra Time (where applicable)), or, unless the Operator shall decide otherwise, postponed for over 36 hours from the original scheduled time of the Match.
“Void Ticket” means any Betting Ticket which is declared void.

“Winning Team” means the Team that has scored more Goals, adjusted by the Handicap-goals where applicable, at the end of the Play Time of a Match.

“Winning Ticket” means any Betting Ticket that qualifies for a Dividend in accordance with these Rules.

“Yellow Card” means a penalty card a referee shows to caution a player during a Match.

1.2 Words importing one gender include all other genders and words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa.

1.3 The heading of each Rule (and sub-rules) shall not be taken into account in the construction or interpretation of the Rule. Cross-references may be made to any other Rule in the interpretation of any Rule.

1.4 In these Rules, the word “determine” used in the context of a determination by a referee shall, where the context permits, refer to a declaration amended or confirmed by the referee after any review process as may be permitted by the official rules of the body organising the Match or tournament.