- (2) The Stewards of the Jockey Club may determine and regulate the procedure and conduct of the appeal either generally or in respect of the particular appeal. Unless otherwise directed by the Stewards of the Jockey Club, the hearing of all appeals shall take place in Hong Kong.
- (3) On the hearing of the appeal, the appeal panel may:
  - Uphold the decision appealed from in whole or in part or vary the same in such manner as they think fit; and/or
  - (ii) Increase or diminish any term of disqualification or suspension or any fine imposed subject in each case to any maximum or minimum penalty prescribed by the Rule under which such penalty was imposed; and/or
  - (iii) Refer any matter back to the original tribunal for further hearing or consideration or for rehearing; and/or
  - (iv) Reverse such decision; and/or
  - (v) Order that all costs and expenses in relation to and/or occasioned by the appeal and/or any reasonable compensation for outlay incurred shall be paid by such person or persons and in such proportions as they may think fit.
  - (vi) In the event of an appeal against a suspension being dismissed or varied, and after taking into account any portion of the suspension already served by the appellant, order the implementation of any suspension imposed or varied to commence on a date decided by the Stewards of the Jockey Club

## Representation in an Inquiry or Appeal

- Rule 135. A person attending or required to attend before the Stewards, the Stewards of the Jockey Club, or any body appointed by the Stewards of the Jockey Club under these Rules shall not be represented by any other person, whether a member of the legal profession or otherwise, except with leave of the panel hearing the matter or in the following circumstances:—
  - (1) An apprentice jockey may, regardless of whether any legal representation is permitted under these Rules, be represented by the supervising trainer or another trainer on behalf of the supervising trainer in his absence. In case of a hearing concerning a riding offence, the Apprentice may be represented by the Chief Riding Instructor

(2) In any appeal under Rule 21 or 130, the appellant and Officials shall each be entitled to legal representation.

## **Prohibited Substances**

## **Rule 136. (1)** For the purposes of these Rules the following are prohibited substances: —

(i) Substances capable at any time of causing an action or effect, or both an action and effect, within one or more of the following mammalian body systems:

the nervous system

the cardiovascular system

the respiratory system

the digestive system

the urinary system

the reproductive system

the musculoskeletal system

the blood system

the immune system except for licensed vaccines against infectious agents

the endocrine system

- (ii) Endocrine secretions and their synthetic counterparts
- (iii) Masking agents
- (iv) Oxygen carriers
- (v) Agents that are capable, at any time, of directly or indirectly causing an action or effect, or an action and effect on gene expression in any mammalian body. This includes but is not limited to gene editing agents with the capacity to alter genome sequences and/or the transcriptional, post-transcriptional or epigenetic regulation of gene expression.