Reporting of Corrupt Approaches – AR.175AA

Summary:

The current Rules of Racing do not place any obligation upon participants to report 'corrupt' approaches or invitations made to the participant which would lead to a breach of the Rules.

Sports including soccer, tennis, cricket and snooker have taken disciplinary action against participants for failing to report corrupt approaches.

The absence of a rule requiring participants to report corrupt approaches is an omission in the Rules of Racing.

Therefore, a new rule will be inserted into the Rules of Racing to require all persons to report approaches to engage in conduct which would constitute a corrupt or dishonest-type conduct, conduct prejudicial to the interests of racing, or conduct which could constitute an act of cruelty.

Rule:

Add AR.175AA as follows:

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- (1) Where a person is, directly or indirectly, approached or requested to engage in any conduct which could constitute:
 - (a) corrupt, dishonest, fraudulent, or improper conduct in connection with racing;
 - (b) conduct which is detrimental to the integrity, interest and/or welfare of racing; or
 - (c) an act of cruelty to a horse,

he or she must provide full details of the approach or request to the Stewards as soon as is practicable.

(2) A person who fails to comply with AR.175AA(1) may be penalised.

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