

Horse carrying weight to the finishing line – AR.146 & AR.143

Summary:

It is necessary that a specific rule of racing be introduced to confirm the policy of Stewards, that whilst the rider remains in contact with the horse or its gear, it is deemed to have carried its weight. Whilst such incidents happen infrequently, having a specific rule erases any question or doubt should a controversy arise.

Rules:

Add AR.146 as follows:

“AR.146

Subject to compliance with AR.142, a horse shall be deemed to have carried its weight from the start of the race to the finish line if in the opinion of the Stewards, the jockey remains in contact with the horse or any part of the horse’s gear from the start of the race to the finish line.”

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Amend AR.143 as follows:

“AR.143

Subject to AR.146, if a horse carries less weight than the weight it should carry –“

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