

## **Schedule 7 - Notifying non-runners after declaration to run stage**

### ***Notification***

1.1 Where a horse which is declared to run under Part 6 is to be a non-runner, the Trainer must immediately notify that fact in accordance with Paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Schedule.

1.2 This Paragraph applies to any race in which a horse is a non-runner as a result of a double declaration permitted under Rule 98 or 99 as it applies to any other race.

### ***Notifying The Racing Calendar Office***

2.1 The Trainer must, without delay and without exception, inform The Racing Calendar Office in accordance with Paragraph 2.2 where

2.1.1 the horse is not at the racecourse, or

2.1.2 the horse is at the racecourse but the Clerk of the Scales is not present.

2.2 The Trainer must contact The Racing Calendar Office,

2.2.1 British Licensed and Permit trainers through the Racing Administration Internet Site, or

2.2.2 Foreign and Hunter trainers by telephone (01933 440011).

### ***Notifying the Clerk of the Scales***

3.1 If the horse is at the racecourse and the Clerk of the Scales is present, the Trainer or his representative must notify the Clerk of the Scales.

3.2 The Trainer or his representative must sign a form indicating that the horse is a non-runner and hand it to the Clerk of the Scales.

3.3 The Clerk of the Scales shall

3.3.1 if he receives the form one hour or more before the time fixed for the race, notify The Racing Calendar Office (or cause it to be notified) of the details, and

3.3.2 cause an official announcement to be made at the racecourse.

### ***Onward notification***

4. Where notification of a non-runner has been made in accordance with this Schedule

4.1 The Racing Calendar Office shall immediately communicate the information to such Persons and organisations as it considers appropriate,

4.2 an official announcement shall be made at the relevant racecourse,

4.3 the non-runner notification may not be cancelled, and

4.4 the horse shall not be permitted to run.

### ***Veterinary certificates***

5. Paragraphs 6 and 7 of this Schedule apply for the purposes of Rule 97.2.

6.1 All veterinary certificates relating to non-runners must be received within 7 days of the race by the Disciplinary Department at the Authority's Office.

6.2 Each certificate must clearly state

6.2.1 the date, time and place of the veterinary examination,

6.2.2 the meeting and date for which the horse has been declared to run,

6.2.3 the abnormal clinical findings which render the horse unfit to race,

and must be signed by a Veterinary Surgeon.

6.3 The certificate must be completed by a Veterinary Surgeon who is unrelated to and independent of the Owner of the horse, the Trainer of the horse and any Person shown in the Register of Stable Employee Names as being employed by the Trainer.

7.1 When a horse is brought to the racecourse but is considered to be unfit to race only a veterinary certificate issued by a Veterinary Officer shall be acceptable.

7.2 Any such certificate will be forwarded to the Disciplinary Department at the Authority's Office.

8.1 Subject to a review carried out by the Authority at the end of each quarter, the restrictions in Paragraphs 8.2 and 8.3 apply where either of the following conditions are met in connection with the horses under the care of a Trainer.

8.2 For any Trainer, where the rate of non-runners in Flat races measured as a percentage of the Trainer's declarations in Flat races is above the published threshold for Flat races, the Authority may suspend the Trainer's ability to self-certify non-runners in accordance with Rule 97.3.

8.3 For any Trainer, where the rate of non-runners in Jump races measured as a percentage of the Trainer's declarations in Jump races is above the published threshold for Jump races, the Authority may suspend the Trainer's ability to self-certify non-runners in accordance with Rule 97.3.