



## OWNERSHIP OBLIGATIONS AND PRIVILEGES

### 1. Obligations

- a. Ownership brings with it both privileges and obligations. The regulations surrounding horse ownership are contained in the Club's Ownership Bye-laws. The following regulations are extracted from the Bye-laws for your attention:

#### Change of Ownership

It should be noted that no alterations to ownership arrangements are normally permitted with the exceptions of the death of an Owner or the inclusion of the Owner's spouse and/or children.

Once the horse has arrived it will be the Owner's responsibility until it is retired from racing. It should also be noted that an Owner is not allowed to sell his/her horse except with the approval of the Stewards of the Jockey Club; this is normally only given in exceptional circumstances.

- b. Handling of accounts

- (i) Hang Seng manages all Members' accounts and Syndicates' accounts. All account holders must settle the accounts in accordance with the Standard Terms and Conditions specified by Hang Seng. If an Owner fails to settle his/her account and has become an account defaulter, his/her horse will not be allowed to be entered for or start in any race.



(ii) Hang Seng will inform the Club of any Owner whose account remains unpaid by the period prescribed by Hang Seng, and the Owner's membership will be suspended in accordance with General Bye-law 21.2. Consequently, disciplinary proceedings will be convened by the Stewards of the Jockey Club and may result in termination of membership.

### c. Category of Ownership

There are four types of horse ownership in Hong Kong. They are:

- (i) Sole Owners.
- (ii) Partnerships - May comprise two, three or four partners.
- (iii) Syndicates (including Trainer Syndicates) - Must comprise not less than five and not more than fifty members.
- (iv) Racing Club - Solely owned by The Racing Club.



## 2. Owners' Privileges

- a. Badges and car park labels (for Sole Owners, Partnerships & Syndicates whose horse is in training)

Each Owner whose horse is in training is issued with a seasonal car park label allowing access to the Grandstand II car park at Sha Tin. All partners will each receive a car park label and Syndicates are issued with at least three car park labels. Distribution of owner's badge(s) is as follows:

Owner type	No. of badges	No. of car park labels
Sole Owner	1 set	1
Partnership (2 partners)	2 sets	2
Partnership (3 partners)	3 sets	3
Partnership (4 partners)	4 sets	4
Syndicate	3 sets*	3*



- \* Syndicates who have been Owners since the 2000/2001 season will continue to enjoy their existing race day privileges so long as they have, on a continuous basis, at least one horse in training or been granted an import permit.

Sole Owners can now enjoy enhanced parking privileges when attending a Sha Tin race meeting. In addition to their normal car park labels, a total of 20 car park vouchers (for Sha Tin race meetings only) in the entire season will be issued to each sole Owner, and 40 vouchers to each Sole Owner with two or three horses in training. Vouchers will be sent every three months to Sole Owners for exchanging daily car park labels at the entrance of the Sha Tin Grandstand II car park. These vouchers are not valid on major racedays, as published by the Club.



- b. Badges and car park labels (for Sole Owners, Partnerships & Syndicates whose horses have been retired)

Any Owner whose horse dies or is retired during the season may retain the owner's badge(s) for the balance of the season in which his/her horse is retired plus the ensuing season. However, such Owner may retain the car park label(s) only for the balance of the season in which his/her horse is retired. Once an Owner sells his/her horse, he/she will lose his/her entitlement to owner's badge(s) and car park label(s).

The racing season period is, subject to the official racing fixtures, published by the Club from time to time.

- c. Facilities for Owners during race meetings (Not applicable to Racing Club Members)



- (i) Owners with Starters Boxes - Located on 2/F (OB2) at Members Stand I, Happy Valley Racecourse and 3/F (OB3) at Grandstand I, Sha Tin Racecourse. These boxes offer Owners with starters and their guests an exclusive unique racing experience. Tables are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. The relevant table reservation procedures and schedule are set out in the Members' Facilities Directory.



(ii) Owners Boxes - At the Happy Valley Racecourse, there are three Owners Boxes: 3/F (OB3), 6/F (OB6) & 7/F (OB7) at Members Stand I. At the Sha Tin Racecourse, the Owners Boxes are located on 1/F (OB1) and 6/F (OB6, which is divided into three sections) of Grandstand I.



(iii) Owners Pavilion (OP) - Including Owners Betting Hall and Owners Lounge. The OP area is located adjacent to the Parade Ring. The casual ambience makes it particularly ideal for those Owners without a table booking to enjoy the races. The Owners lounge is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Lounge will be opened two hours before the first race until one hour after the last race on every race meeting. No admission will be allowed before the official opening time and seat allocation will only start at this point. Due to the limited capacity, each Owner may take up one table only, with a maximum of 4 seats.

(iv) Owners Bar – Adjacent to the Owners with Starters Box (OB3) at Sha Tin. Same as the Owners Pavilion (OP), table reservation is not available. Each Owner may take up one table only, with a maximum of 2 seats.

(v) A number of exclusive private rooms at the Owners Boxes on 4/F (OB4), 6/F (OB6) & 7/F (OB7) at Members Stand I of Happy Valley Racecourse and 3/F (OB3) & 6/F (OB6 Section I) at Grandstand I of Sha Tin Racecourse will provide a cozy yet stylish environment with panoramic view of the track.



These Owners Boxes are normally open two hours before the first race until one hour after the last race. Each Owner, barring the use of a private room, may reserve one table only.

Bookings may be made at the reception counter of the box or through our telephone booking hotline. For details, please refer to the Race Day Booking Schedule at Members' Facilities Directory.

For Happy Valley race meetings, only Owners with table reservations and Owners with Starters will be offered one parking space at the basement of the Jockey Club Headquarters building.

#### d. Facilities for Racing Club Members

The Racing Club owns several Club horses which offer its Members a unique horse ownership experience. The Racing Club Members can enjoy access to its exclusive premises at both racecourses located at The Racing Club 7/F & 8/F at Happy Valley Racecourse Members Stand II, 9/F Pavilion Stand and at Box D510 and D710 at Sha Tin Racecourse Grandstand I.



#### e. Access to the Parade Rings and Owners Pavilion (OP)

Owners with Starters in the race in question and their guests are allowed in the Parade Ring during the parade of horses.



f. Services for Owners

- (i) All winning Owners will be presented with a bottle of exclusive champagne, an unedited DVD capturing the winning moments and a photo album on the day of the race. A *USB thumb drive with a fully edited video clip of the race* will be mailed to the winning Owners within one week.
- (ii) Short messages about their horses' entry, declaration, change of horse rating and entry for barrier trials will be sent to Owners' mobile phone provided that their mobile phone numbers are registered with the Club.
- (iii) Horse Owners' Website  
A dedicated website is available to Owners as a convenient and easy platform to look for relevant information on horse ownership related matters and to download forms.

Website: <http://member.hkjc.com/member/english/horse-owner/index.aspx>