

in that race. And if any person who is thus disqualified shall intentionally and deceptively violate this restriction, he shall, upon conviction thereof by the Board of Appeals, be adjudged guilty of a dishonorable act, for which he shall be expelled from every course represented in said National Association.

RULE 26.—AUTHORITY OF JUDGES.

(See also Rule 28)

SEC. 1. The Judges of the day or race shall have authority, while presiding, to appoint Distance and Patrol Judges and Timers; to inflict fines and penalties, as prescribed by these rules; to determine all questions of fact relating to the race over which they preside; to decide respecting any matters of difference between parties to the race, or any contingent matter which shall arise, such as are not otherwise provided for in these rules; and they may declare pools and bets "*off*" in case of fraud, *no appeal to be allowed from their decision in that respect*, but all their decisions shall be in strict conformity with the rules, or with the principles thereof. They shall have control over the horses about to start, and the riders or drivers and assistants of the horses, and, in the absence of other provision in these rules, they shall have authority to punish by a fine not exceeding \$100, or by suspension or expulsion, any such person who shall fail to obey their orders or the rules. [See Rule 28; and Rule 52, Sec. 1 and Sec. 2.]

RULE 27.—DISTANCE AND PATROL JUDGES.

SEC. 1. In all races of heats there shall be a Distance Judge appointed by the Judges of the race or by those in authority, who shall remain in the distance-stand during the heats, and immediately after each heat shall repair to the Judges' stand and report to the Judges the horse or horses that are distanced, and all foul or improper conduct, if any has occurred under his observation. But, in the absence of a Distance Judge, or on his failure to act, the Judges of the race shall determine what horses are distanced.

SEC. 2. Patrol Judges may be similarly appointed, and it shall be their duty to repair in like manner to the Judges' stand, and report all foul or improper conduct, if any has occurred under their observation.

RULE 28.—POWERS AND DUTIES OF JUDGES.

(See also Rule 26.)

SEC. 1. The Judges shall be in the stand fifteen minutes before the time for starting the race; they shall weigh the