Whip Review Committee Decisions 10 October 2023

On Tuesday 10th October 2023 the Whip Review Committee convened to consider potential breaches of Rule (F)45 following referrals from the racecourse Stewards for races run from 5 October – 8 October 2023, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Ascot 6 October 2023

Race 2 – The Jim Barry Cumberland Lodge Stakes (Class 1) (Group 3)

Benoit de la Sayette, the rider of ISRAR, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Taking into account that this was to be de la Sayette's fourth suspension within the previous six months for using his whip above the permitted level, he was referred to the Judicial Panel.

Panel
Sam Angell (Chair)
Georgina Cartwright
Steve Drowne

Following riders' admissions of a breach of Rule (F)45, the following penalties were applied by the racecourse Stewards.

Ascot 6 October 2023

Race 1 – The Thoroughbred Industry Employee Awards Amateur Jockeys' Handicap Stakes (Class 3)

Mr Paul Kavanagh, the rider of AMBER ISLAND (IRE), unplaced, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Monday 23, and Monday 30 October, and Wednesday 1, and Thursday 2 November.

Ascot 7 October 2023

Race 6 – The ABF The Soldiers' Charity Handicap Stakes (Class 2)

Oliver Searle, the rider of WOOLHAMPTON (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days from Monday 23 to Thursday 26 October inclusive.

Redcar 7 October 2023

Race 7 – The Market Cross Jewellers Handicap Stakes (Class 4)

David Allan, the rider of GIBSIDE, unplaced, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from one and a half furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Allan has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since a previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. Therefore, he will be suspended for 2 days: Monday 23 and Tuesday 24 October.