

Whip Review Committee
Decisions 3 October 2023

On Tuesday 3rd 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 25 September 2023 – 1 October 2023, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Wolverhampton 25 September 2023

Race 6 – The At The Races App Expert Tips Handicap Stakes (Class 6) (Div I)

Neil Callan, the rider of GLOBAL TYCOON (IRE), placed fourth, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from two furlongs out. Taking into account that this was to be Callan's fourth suspension within the previous six months for using his whip above the permitted level, Callan was referred to the Judicial Panel.

Pontefract 28 September 2023

Race 4 – The Simon Scrope Dalby Screw-Driver Handicap Stakes (Class 3)

Oisín Orr, the rider of THEORYOFEVERYTHING, placed third, was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 17 to Friday 20 October inclusive.

Newmarket 28 September 2023

Race 6 – The Graham Bud Art & Memorabilia Auction Handicap Stakes (Class 2)

Jim Crowley, the rider of CRYSTAL DELIGHT, placed second, was found to have used his whip down the shoulder in the forehand position. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 17 to Friday 20 October inclusive.

Southwell 28 September 2023

Race 5 – The At The Races App Market Movers Novice Stakes (Class 5) (GBB Race)

Jonathan Fisher, the rider of CARAT GOLD (FR), unplaced, was found to have used his whip when his mount was out of contention. He will be suspended for 5 days from Tuesday 17 to Saturday 21 October inclusive.

Worcester 29 September 2023

Race 2 – The Richard Wright Memorial Handicap Steeple Chase (Class 4)

Adam Wedge, the rider of the winner, DR T J ECKLEBURG (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from three fences out. Allowing for the fact that Wedge has had over 75 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. Therefore, he will be suspended for 3 days from Tuesday 17 to Thursday 19 October inclusive.

Haydock Park 30 September 2023

Race 1 – The cavani.co.uk the Bow Tie Bolt EBF Fillies' Novice Stakes (Class 4) (GBB Race)

Shane Kelly, the rider of ROGUE SELLIER (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 17 to Friday 20 October inclusive.

Panel

Shaun Parker (Chair)
Georgina Cartwright
Richard Westropp

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

Newcastle 29 September 2023

Race 8 – The Vickers Bet Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Tommie Jakes, the rider of the winner, PHOENIX STAR (IRE), 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 Sunday 15 to Wednesday 18 October inclusive.