

Whip Review Committee Decisions 2025:

On Tuesday 05 August 2025 the Whip Review Committee convened to consider potential breaches of Rule (F)45 following referrals from the racecourse Stewards and their own independent review of races run from 31 July 2025 – 03 August 2025, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Nottingham 31 July 2025:

Race 5 - The PricedUp Pushes Handicap (A Jockey Club Grassroots Stayers' Series Qualifier) (Class 6)

Laura Pearson, the rider of the winner RUPERT THE PRINCE (IRE), was found to have used her whip twice above the permitted level of six from approximately three furlongs out. She will be suspended for 7 days from Tuesday 19 to Monday 25 August 2025, inclusive.

Newcastle 01 August 2025:

Race 1 - The JPS Ceilings And Partitions Classified Stakes (Class 6)

Aiden Brookes, the rider of the winner ARRANMORE, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately one and a half furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Brookes has had over 100 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 3 days as follows; Tuesday 19, Sunday 24 and Monday 25 August 2025.

Goodwood 01 August 2025:

Race 1 - The Coral Goodwood Handicap (GBBPlus Race) (Class 2)

Jamie Spencer, the rider of MORDOR (FR), placed second, was found to have used his whip with his arm above shoulder height approaching two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Tuesday 19, Sunday 24, Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 August 2025.

Doncaster 02 August 2025:

Race 4 - The Unison Campaigning For Public Services Handicap (Class 6)

Edward Greatrex, the rider of TRIGGERED (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond on the run to the line. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Tuesday 19, Sunday 24, Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 August 2025.

Lingfield Park 02 August 2025:

Race 1 - The Josh Is Getting Hitched Apprentice Handicap (Class 5)

Kyle McHugh, the rider of the winner RENESMEE, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Tuesday 19, Sunday 24, Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 August 2025.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair), Adrian Sharpe, Adam Barker