

Whip Review Committee Decisions 2026:

On Tuesday 06 October 2026 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 01 October 2026 – 04 October 2026, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Redcar 03 October 2026:

Race 6 - The MARSKE FABRICATIONS & ENGINEERING STRAIGHT-MILE SERIES FINAL HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2)

Joanna Mason, the rider of the winner, NYMAN (IRE), was found to have used her whip without giving her mount time to respond one and a half furlongs out. Allowing for the fact Mason has had over 100 rides in Great Britain since her previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. She will be suspended for 3 days from Tuesday 20 to Thursday 22 October 2026, inclusive.

Fontwell Park 03 October 2026:

Race 4 - The COLIN JOHNSON'S 70TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 4)

Charlie Todd, the rider of the winner, A LITTLE SOMETHING, was found to have used his whip above shoulder height from after jumping the final fence. Allowing for the fact Todd has had over 75 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 3 days from Tuesday 20 to Thursday 22 October 2026, inclusive.

Race 6 - The SOUTHERN CRANES AND ACCESS HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 5).

Freddie Keighley, the rider of the winner, GLANCE OF GLORY, was found to have used his whip above shoulder height on the run to the line. He will be suspended for 4 days from Friday 23 to Monday 26 October 2026, inclusive, one of these days will be spent receiving specialised coaching.

Southwell 03 October 2026:

Race 7 - The [bettingsites.co.uk](https://www.bettingsites.co.uk) FIND YOUR BOOKMAKER HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6)

Joe Leavy, the rider of FLETCHER'S FLIGHT (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from one and a half furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days from Wednesday 21, Thursday 22, Friday 23 and Monday 26 October.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Gregory Pearson

Georgina Cartwright