

Whip Review Committee Decisions 2025:

On Friday 07 November 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 03 November 2025 – 05 November 2025, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Southwell 03 November 2025:

Race 1 - The Read Meg Nicholls' Blog At betmgm.co.uk Apprentice Handicap (Class 5)

Alec Voikhansky, the rider of ZIGGY'S TRITON (IRE), placed third, 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 Voikhansky 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 from Monday 17 to Wednesday 19 November 2025, inclusive.

Wolverhampton 03 November 2025:

Race 8 - The Midnite Are Upping The Betting Game Handicap (Class 6)

Alexandra Egan, the rider of KAMEKO SPIRIT, unplaced, was found to have used her whip when her mount was out of contention from approaching the final furlong. She will be suspended for 5 days as follows; Friday 21, Saturday 22, Monday 24, Tuesday 25 and Wednesday 26 November 2025.

Lingfield Park 04 November 2025:

Race 5 - The Join The Midnite Movement Handicap (Class 4)

Joe Leavy, the rider of LIGHTNING BEAR (IRE), placed fifth, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond approximately one furlong out. Allowing for the fact that Leavy has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Friday 21 and Saturday 22 November 2025.

Race 8 - The Always Gamble Responsibly At BetMGM Handicap (Div II) (Class 6)

William Cox, the rider of DANDY KHAN (IRE), placed fourth, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately one and a half furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Friday 21, Saturday 22, Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 November 2025.

Kempton Park 05 November 2025:

Race 6 - The Unibet 40,000+ Live Streamed Events Handicap (Class 4)

Joe Leavy, the rider of BEST RATE, placed fourth, 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 from Monday 24 to Thursday 27 November 2025, inclusive.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Gregory Pearson

Sarah Ellison