Whip Review Committee Decisions 2025:

On Friday 09 May 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 04 May 2025 – 07 May 2025, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Newmarket 04 May 2025:

Race 3 - The BETFRED HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 2) (Heritage Handicap) (GBBPLUS RACE)

Saffie Osborne, the rider of the winner STORY HORSE, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of six from inside the final two furlongs. Allowing for the fact that Osborne has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since her previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. She will be suspended for 2 days, Sunday 18 and Monday 19 May 2025.

Bath 05 May 2025:

Race 7 - The Bring The Family August Car Festival Handicap (Class 6)

Tyrese Cameron, the rider of OUTRACE (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two and a half furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days, Friday 23, Saturday 24, Monday 26 and Tuesday 27 May 2025.

Finley Marsh, the rider of VILLALOBOS (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Marsh 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, Friday 23, Saturday 24 and Monday 26 May 2025.

Wolverhampton 06 May 2025:

Race 3 - The Call Now To Name A Race Handicap (Class 5)

Daniel Muscutt, the rider of SONIC PIONEER, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from turning into the home straight. Allowing for the fact that Muscutt 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 23 and Saturday 24 May 2025.

Kelso 07 May 2025:

Race 1 - The Every Race Live On RacingTV Handicap Hurdle (Class 5)

Bruce Lynn, the rider of MY LADY ELEKTRA (FR), placed third, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven after jumping the second last hurdle. Allowing for the fact that Lynn has had over 150 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Friday 23 and Saturday 24 May 2025.

Kempton Park 07 May 2025:

Race 5 - The Try Unibet's New Improved Acca Boosts Handicap (Class 4)

Oliver Searle, the rider of the winner BILLY MILL, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Searle 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, Friday 23, Saturday 24, and Monday 26 May 2025.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Shaun Parker

Georgina Cartwright