

Whip Review Committee Decisions 2026:

On Tuesday 09 June 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 04 June 2026 – 07 June 2026, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Hamilton Park 04 June 2026:

Race 5 - The Aspire Cleaning & Facilities Ltd Handicap (Class 5)

Billy Garritty, the rider of CALL TO ACTION (IRE), placed second 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 Garritty 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 Tuesday 23 to Thursday 25 June 2026, inclusive.

Race 7 - The Hampton By Hilton Hamilton Park Handicap (Class 6)

Greg Fairley, the rider of FALAISE BLANC (FR), placed second, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from approximately three furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days from Tuesday 23 to Monday 29 June 2026, inclusive.

Lingfield Park 04 June 2026:

Race 6 - The Download The At The Races App EBF Restricted Maiden Fillies' Stakes (Band D) (Qual') (GBB) (Div I) (Class 4)

Robbie Downey, the rider of the winner, RIVER IN PARADISE, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six and without giving his mount time to respond turning into the home straight. He will be suspended for 11 days from Tuesday 23 June 2026 to Friday 03 July 2026, inclusive.

Goodwood 05 June 2026:

Race 3 - The Tommie Jakes Memorial Apprentice Fillies' Handicap (Class 5)

Seamus Cronin, the rider of the winner, LAND OF MAGIC, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six approaching the final furlong. He will be suspended for 7 days from Tuesday 23 to Monday 29 June 2026, inclusive.

Bath 05 June 2026:

Race 8 - The Thank You To Bath University Handicap (Class 6)

Josephine Gordon, the rider of the winner, MAN IS KING (IRE), was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that

Gordon 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, Tuesday 23 and Wednesday 24 June 2026.

Epsom 06 June 2026:

Race 4 - The Betfred 'Dash' Handicap (Heritage Handicap) (Class 2)

Harry Davies, the rider of the winner, ARKLOW LAD (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six inside the final two furlongs. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Thursday 11 and Sunday 21 to Tuesday 23 June inclusive.

Worcester 06 June 2026:

Race 7 - The CopyBet Overnight Best Odds Guaranteed Handicap Hurdle (Class 4)

Freddie Keighley, the rider of PIKE ROAD, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from jumping the second last hurdle. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Tuesday 23, Wednesday 24, Friday 26 and Sunday 28 June 2026.

Hexham 06 June 2026:

Race 1 - The Marjorie Thompsett Auntie Marj Memorial Amateur Jockeys' Handicap Hurdle (Class 5)

Miss Rebekah Duffy, the rider of CUILLIN RIDGE, unplaced, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of seven from jumping the second last hurdle in the back straight. She will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Tuesday 23, Wednesday 24, Friday 26 and Tuesday 30 June 2026.

Race 3 - The Marrill Group Stamping Futures Handicap Chase (Class 5)

Jonathan England, the rider of the winner, PASSENGERONTHESHIP (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from jumping the final fence. Allowing for the fact that England 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 as follows: Tuesday 23, Wednesday 24 and Friday 26 June 2026.

Race 4 - The Hexham Racecourse Holiday Home & Caravan Park Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 4)

Shane Fenelon, the rider of the winner, SIR CARNEGIE (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven approaching the final fence. Allowing for the fact that Fenelon 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 as follows: Tuesday 23, Wednesday 24 and Friday 26 June 2026.

Charlie Maggs, the rider of WEST LAWN, placed fourth, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven after jumping the first fence in the home straight on the first circuit. Allowing for the fact that Maggs 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, Tuesday 23 and Wednesday 24 June 2026.

Lingfield Park 06 June 2026:

Race 2 - The Buy A Share At daretodreamracing.co.uk Handicap (Class 5)

Donagh Murphy, the rider of TAKEITORLEAVEIT (IRE), placed second was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from two and a half furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days from Tuesday 23 to Monday 29 June 2026, inclusive, one of these dates will be spent receiving specialised coaching.

Race 5 - The Free Tips On attheraces.com Restricted Maiden Stakes (Bands C And D) (GBB Race) (Class 4)

Robbie Downey, the rider of DOVECOTE, placed second, was found to have used his whip three times above the permitted level of six from one and a half furlongs out. He will be suspended for 10 as follows: Saturday 04 to Saturday 11 July 2026, inclusive, Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 July 2026.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Shaun Parker

Georgina Cartwright