

Whip Review Committee Decisions 2025:

On Tuesday 09 December 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 December 2025 – 07 December 2025, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Leicester 04 December 2025:

Race 3 - The Astill Planning Handicap Hurdle (Class 4)

Toby McCain-Mitchell, the rider of CAST'S TASHA (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from after jumping the final hurdle. Allowing for the fact that McCain-Mitchell 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, Saturday 27, Sunday 28 and Tuesday 30 December 2025.

Sedgefield 05 December 2025:

Race 5 - The Prodrive Shopfitting Ltd Novices' Handicap Chase (Go North Forgive 'N Forget Series Qualifier) (Class 5)

Aaron Anderson, the rider of the winner, UNCLE AL (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from turning into the home straight. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Saturday 27, Sunday 28, Tuesday 30 and Wednesday 31 December 2025.

Wetherby 06 December 2025:

Race 3 - The Join Racing TV This Christmas Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 3)

Kielan Woods, the rider of CARRIG KATE (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from jumping the second last fence. Allowing for the fact that Woods 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, Saturday 27, Sunday 28 and Tuesday 30 December 2025.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Michael Eyre

Georgina Cartwright