

Whip Review Committee Decisions 2025:

On Friday 11 April 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 07 April 2025 – 09 April 2025, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Redcar 07 April 2025:

Race 7 - The Watch Race Replays At racingtv.com Handicap (Class 6)

Rowan Scott, the rider of PRECIOUS SPARTAN (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately three furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Scott has had over 100 rides since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. However, as Scott was referred to the Judicial Panel on 31 October 2024 for 'totting up' previous whip offences, the deferred suspension of 9 days was imposed by the Panel for a further whip offence within the next 6 months/200 rides was triggered. Therefore, Scott will be suspended for 12 days from Friday 25 April – Tuesday 06 May 2025, inclusive.

Wolverhampton 07 April 2025:

ARO Race - The AroRacing Conditions Stakes (3yo+)

Ray Dawson, the rider of the winner, MUTWAHHEJ ATHBAH (FR), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from just inside the three-furlong marker. Allowing for the fact that Dawson 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 25 and Saturday 26 April 2025.

Carlisle 08 April 2025:

Race 7 - The Carlisle Easter Saturday Family Extravaganza Raceday Handicap Hurdle (Class 5)

Callum Pritchard, the rider of the winner I'M A STARMAN, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of seven from jumping the third last hurdle. He will be suspended for 7 days as follows; Friday 25 and Saturday 26 April, and Saturday 03, Monday 05, Tuesday 06, Wednesday 07 May and Thursday 08 May 2025.

Catterick Bridge 09 April 2025:

Race 3 - The Every Race Live On Racing TV Handicap (Class 6)

Conor Orr, the rider of MAGNETIC NORTH (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip three times above the permitted level of six from approximately 2 furlongs out. He will be suspended for 10 days from Friday 25 April – Sunday 04 May 2025, inclusive.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Gregory Pearson

Georgina Cartwright