

Whip Review Committee
Decisions 12 January 2024

On Friday 12 January 2024 the Whip Review Committee convened to consider potential breaches of Rule (F)45 following referrals from the racecourse Stewards for races run from 8 January 2024 – 10 January 2024, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Taunton 8 January 2024

Race 5 – The Stables Business Park Handicap Hurdle Race (Class 3)

Marc Goldstein, the rider of MR FREEDOM, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven and without giving his mount time to respond from approaching the second last flight. He will be suspended for 8 days from Friday 26 January to Friday 2 February inclusive.

Newcastle 8 January 2024

Race 6 – The Boost Your Acca-Fenwa With BetUK Classified Stakes (Class 6) (Div I)

Tommie Jakes, the rider of BLACKCURRENT, placed second, 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 as follows: Friday 26, Saturday 27, Monday 29, and Tuesday 30 January.

Market Rasen 9 January 2024

Race 6 – The Discover Whats Trending at Rhino.bet Casino Handicap Steeple Chase (Class 5)

Kielan Woods, the rider of COKYTHO (FR), placed second, 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 from Sunday 25 to Wednesday 28 February inclusive.

Panel

Sam Angell (Chair)
Adam Barker
Steve Drowne

Following riders' admissions of a breach of Rule (F)45, the following penalties were applied by the racecourse Stewards.

Southwell 9 January 2024

Race 3 – The BetUK. Its Where the UK Bets Handicap Stakes (Class 5) (Div II)

Sorin Moldoveanu, the rider of ORANGE N BLUE (IRE), placed fourth, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approaching the final two furlongs. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 23 to Friday 26 January inclusive.

Leicester 10 January 2024

Race 1 – The Join Racing TV Now Handicap Steeple Chase (Class 5)

Finn Lambert, the rider of SUPASUNRISE (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven, from the second last fence. He will be suspended for 4 days from Wednesday 24 to Saturday 27 January inclusive.

Jack Tudor, the rider of the winner, ROYAL MER (FR), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from after the last fence. Allowing for the fact that Tudor has had over 150 rides since a previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. Therefore, he will be suspended for 2 days: Wednesday 24 and Thursday 26 January.

Race 2 – The Watch On Racing TV Claiming Hurdle Race (Class 4)

Rob Hargreaves, the rider of the winner, PARIKARMA (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from approaching the second last flight. He will be suspended for 4 days from Wednesday 24 to Saturday 27 January inclusive.