

Whip Review Committee

Decisions 15 August 2023

On Tuesday 15 August 2023 the Whip Review Committee convened to consider potential breaches of Rule (F)45 following referrals from the racecourse Stewards for races run from 10 August 2023 – 13 August 2023, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Great Yarmouth 10 August 2023

Race 3 – The quinnbet.com ‘Confined’ Handicap Stakes (Class 6) (For horses with no more than one win)

Abbie Pierce, the rider of NAHWAND (IRE), unplaced, was found to have used her whip when her mount was out of contention. She will be suspended for 5 days from Tuesday 29 August to Saturday 2 September inclusive.

Chepstow 10 August 2023

Race 5 – The William Hill Enhanced Odds Every Day Racing League Race 12 Handicap Stakes (Class 3) (for horses trained by trainers registered to Racing League)

Sean Dylan Bowen, the rider of DANCING IN PARIS (FR), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from two and a half furlongs out. Taking into account that this was to be Bowen’s fourth suspension within the previous six months for using his whip above the permitted level, Bowen was referred to the Judicial Panel.

Thirsk 11 August 2023

Race 7 – The Sausage and Cider Evening Friday 18th August Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Jack Garrity, the rider of PRINCE ACHILLE, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately one and a half furlong out. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 29 August to Friday 1 September inclusive.

Haydock Park 11 August 2023

Race 3 – The Cheshire Life and Lancashire Life Fillies’ Handicap Stakes (Class 4)

Franny Norton, the rider of SECRET MISTRAL, placed fourth, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 29 August to Friday 1 September inclusive.

Ascot 12 August 2023

Race 5 – The Dubai Duty Free Shergar Cup Classic (Class 3 Handicap)

Matthew Chadwick, the rider of STRUTH (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip three times above the permitted level of six from approximately one and a half furlongs out. He will be suspended for 10 days from Tuesday 29 August to Thursday 7 September inclusive.

Panel

Sam Angell (Chair)
Georgina Cartwright
Richard Westropp

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

Windsor 13 August 2023

Race 1 – The At The Races App Market Movers Amateur Jockeys' Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Mr Tom Broughton, the rider of the winner, SHE'S A NOVELTY (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Sunday 27, Monday 28, Wednesday 30 and Thursday 31 August.