Whip Review Committee Decisions 15 October 2024:

On Tuesday 15 October 2024 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 for races run from 10 October – 13 October 2024, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Chelmsford City 10 October 2024:

Race 7 - The Betfair Exchange Fillies' Handicap (Class 5)

Benoit De La Sayette, the rider of UNREAL CONNECTION, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from turning into the home straight. Allowing for the fact that De La Sayette 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, Tuesday 29 and Wednesday 30 October 2024.

York 11 October 2024:

Race 1 - The William Hill Top Price Guarantee Autumn Handicap (Class 2)

Jason Hart, the rider of the winner, EMPIRESTATEOFMIND (IRE), 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 Hart 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, Thursday 17 and Wednesday 30 October 2024.

Kempton Park 11 October 2024:

Race 9 - The Bet @racingtv.com Handicap (London Stayers' Series Qualifier) (Class 5)

Cieren Fallon, the rider of C'MON KENNY, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Fallon 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, Tuesday 29 and Wednesday 30 October 2024.

Newmarket 12 October 2024:

Race 5 - The Club Godolphin Cesarewitch Handicap (Heritage Handicap) (Class 2)

Jamie Powell, the rider of the winner ALPHONSE LE GRANDE(IRE), was found to have used his whip four times above the permitted level of six, from just inside the two-furlong marker. Taking into account that none of the uses were clearly and unequivocally for safety purposes, ALPHONSE LE GRANDE (IRE) was disqualified under Rule (L)47.11. The placings were revised accordingly. First: MANXMAN (IRE), Second: AQWAAM, Third: RUN FOR OSCAR (IRE), Fourth: MAGELLAN STRAIT (IRE). Allowing for the fact this was a Class 2 race with a total prize fund of £150,000 or more, the penalty in respect of the above permitted level was doubled. Mr Powell will be suspended for 28 days as follows: 29, 30 and 31 October 2024. 1, 2, 4-9, 11-16, 18-23 November 2024, and 2-6 December 2024.

Sean Davis, the rider of REVEREND HUBERT (IRE), placed eighth, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from approximately three out. Taking into account that this was a Class 2 race with a total prize fund of £150,000 or more, the penalty in respect of the above permitted level was doubled. Therefore, he will be suspended for 14 days from Tuesday 29 October – Saturday 09 November 2024, inclusive and Monday 11 to Wednesday 13 November 2024, inclusive.

Chepstow 12 October:

Race 6 - The Native River Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 2)

Jack Tudor, the rider of the winner, NEON MOON (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven after jumping the second to last fence. He will be suspended for 4 days; Tuesday 29 October – Friday 01 November 2024, inclusive.

York 12 October 2024:

Race 2 - The Coral "Daily Rewards Shaker" Handicap (Class 2)

Mark Winn, the rider of STRESSFREE (FR), place second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Therefore, he will be suspended for 4 days; Tuesday 29 October – Friday 01 November 2024, inclusive.

Race 7 - The Coral "Committed To Safer Gambling" Finale Handicap (Class 4)

Billy Garritty, the rider of the winner, TWO BROTHERS, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Garritty 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, Thursday 17 and Tuesday 29 October 2024.

Ffos Las 13 October 2024:

Race 1 - The DragonBet Bet £10 Get £30 Conditional Jockeys' Mares' Handicap Chase (Challenger Mares' Series Qual) (Class 4)

Dylan Johnston, the rider of ALFIE'S PRINCESS (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from jumping the third-last fence. Allowing for the fact that Johnston 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 from Tuesday 29 – Friday 31 October 2024, inclusive.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Steven Drowne

Richard Fuller