

Whip Review Committee Decisions 2025:

On Tuesday 16 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 11 December 2025 – 14 December 2025, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Doncaster 13 December 2025:

Race 2 - The bet365 Novices' Limited Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 3)

Rex Dingle, the rider of the winner, JORDANS CROSS (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven after jumping the second last fence. Allowing for the fact that Dingle has had over 150 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Tuesday 30 and Wednesday 31 December 2025.

Race 6 - The bet365 Doncaster Mares' Hurdle (Listed Race) (GBB Race) (Class 1)

Lilly Pinchin, the rider of MOLTO BENE (IRE), placed second, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of seven from jumping the second last hurdle. Taking into account that this was a Class 1 race the penalty in respect of the above permitted level was doubled. She will be suspended for 8 days from Tuesday 30 December 2025 to Tuesday 06 January 2026, inclusive.

Cheltenham 13 December 2025:

Race 6 - The Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle (Registered As The Bristol Novices' Hurdle) (Grade 2) (GBB Race) (Class 1)

Derek Fox, the rider of CONMAN JOHN (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place on three occasions from jumping the last hurdle. He will be suspended for 10 days from Tuesday 30 December 2025 to Thursday 08 January 2026, inclusive.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Shaun Parker

Henry Pelly