

### **Whip Review Committee Decisions 2026:**

On Friday 19 June 2026 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 15 June 2026 – 17 June 2026, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

#### **Wetherby 15 June 2026:**

##### **Race 6 - The William Hill Extra Places Every Day Handicap (Div II) (Class 6)**

Rhys Elliott, the rider of SKI ANGEL, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six approaching the final furlong. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Friday 03, Sunday 05, Monday 06 and Tuesday 07 July 2026.

#### **Chepstow 15 June 2026:**

##### **Race 1 - The BJ Llewellyn Racing In Memory Of Gwilym Llewellyn Amateur Jockeys' Handicap (Div I) (Class 6)**

Miss Amy Tucker, the rider of KNIGHTMARE (IRE), placed fourth, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. She will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Sunday 05, Thursday 09, Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 July.

Miss Jemima Stewart, the rider of THE PUG (IRE) placed third, was found to have used her whip without giving her mount time to respond from two furlongs out. She will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Sunday 05, Thursday 09 Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 July.

#### **Windsor 15 June 2026:**

##### **Race 6 - The Fitzdares Taking Bets Since 1882 Handicap (Class 5)**

Tyler Heard, the rider of SEEKING CHARLES (FR), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six inside the final three furlongs. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Friday 03, Sunday 05, Monday 06 and Tuesday 07 July 2026.

#### **Ascot 16 June 2026:**

##### **Race 2 – Coventry Stakes (Group 2) (Class 1)**

Wesley Joyce, the rider of THE SCALLINATOR (IRE), unplaced, was found to have used his whip when his mount was out of contention inside the final furlong. He will be suspended for 5 days from Friday 03 to Tuesday 07 July 2026, inclusive.

Wayne Lordan, the rider of the winner, GREAT BARRIER REEF (IRE), was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place on the run to the line. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Friday 03, Sunday 05, Monday 06 and Tuesday 07 July 2026.

Race 3 - The King Charles III Stakes (Group 1) (Class 1)

Joshua Parr, the rider of OVERPASS (USA), placed third, was found to have used his whip three times above the permitted level of six from approximately one and a half furlongs out. Taking into account that this was a Class 1 race, the penalty in respect of being above the permitted level was doubled. He will be suspended for 20 days as follows; Friday 03 to Saturday 11 July 2026, inclusive, Monday 13 to Thursday 23 July 2026, inclusive and he will be fined £1,250.

Race 5 - The Ascot Stakes (Heritage Handicap) (GBBPlus Race) (Class 2)

Joseph Sheirdan, the rider of the winner, KIZLYAR (IRE), was found to have used his whip above shoulder height on two occasions on the run to the line. He will be suspended for 7 days from Friday 03 to Thursday 09 July 2026, inclusive.

Race 7 - The Copper Horse Stakes (Handicap) (GBBPlus Race) (Class 2)

Rossa Ryan, the rider of the winner, DAIQUIRI BAY, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Ryan has had over 100 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 3 days as follows; Friday 03, Sunday 05 and Monday 06 July 2026.

**Ascot 17 June 2026:**

Race 1 - The Queen Mary Stakes (Group 2) (Fillies) (Class 1)

Juan Hernandez, the rider of RUIVA (USA), placed third, was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place on two occasions on the run to the line. He will be suspended for 7 days from Friday 03 to Thursday 09 July 2026, inclusive.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Michael Eyre

Sarah Ellison