

### **Whip Review Committee Decisions 2025:**

On Friday 19 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 16 December 2025 – 18 December 2025, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

#### **Newcastle 16 December 2025:**

##### **Race 3 - The Always Gamble Responsibly At BetMGM Nursery Handicap (Class 6)**

Sean Kirrane, the rider of the winner, GOLDEN HAVANA (IRE), was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from approximately 2 furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days as follows; Friday 02, Saturday 03, Monday 05, Tuesday 06, Wednesday 07, Thursday 08 and Friday 09 January 2026.

##### **Race 7 - The Create Your Bet Builders At Midnite Handicap (Div I) (Class 6)**

Cara Tuke, the rider of SUPERIOR COUNCIL (IRE), placed second, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately 2 furlongs out. She will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Friday 02, Saturday 03, Monday 05, and Tuesday 06 January 2026.

#### **Catterick Bridge 16 December 2025:**

##### **Race 6 - The Nick Robinson Memorial Handicap Chase (Go North One Man Series Qualifier) (Class 5).**

Keith Donoghue, the rider of TOON TOWN (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of seven from jumping the second last fence. He will be suspended for 7 days from Friday 02 to Thursday 08 January 2026, inclusive.

#### **Newbury 17 December 2025:**

##### **Race 4 - The Amber River Life Landscaping EBF "National Hunt" Novices' Hurdle (Qualifier) (GBB Race) (Class 3)**

Ben Harvey, the rider of DAYDREAM NATION (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond after jumping the last hurdle. He will be suspended for 4 days from Friday 02 to Monday 05 January 2026, inclusive.

#### **Kempton Park 17 December 2025:**

##### **Race 1 - The Try Unibet's New Smartview Racecards Apprentice Handicap (Class 5)**

Ethan Tindall, the rider of FIDDLERS GREEN (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from approximately 2 furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days as follows; Saturday 03, Monday 05, Tuesday 06, Wednesday 07, Thursday 08, Friday 09, and Saturday 10 January 2026.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)

Michael Eyre

Phillip Spottiswood