

Whip Review Committee
Decisions 21 June 2024

On Friday 21 June 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 17 June – 19 June 2024, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Carlisle 17 June 2024

Race 3 – The EURO2024 Daily Giveaways On Rhino.Bet Handicap Stakes (Class 6) (Div II)

Dale Swift, the rider of JAMIE'S CHOICE, unplaced, was found to have used his whip down the shoulder in the forehand with his hands off the reins. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 5, and Sunday 7 to Tuesday 9 July.

Windsor 17 June 2024

Race 7 – The Fitzdares Classified Stakes (Class 6)

Jack Gilligan, the rider of CENTRAL CITY (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two and a half furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 5, and Sunday 7 to Tuesday 9 July.

Dylan Hogan, the rider of FOINIX, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from inside the final two and a half furlongs. Allowing for the fact that Hogan has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since a previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. Therefore, he will be suspended for 2 days; Friday 5 and Sunday 7 July.

Catterick Bridge 18 June 2024

Race 1 – The AJA NOVICE FLAT AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP STAKES (CLASS 6) (For Riders With No More Than 3 Wins At Start Of Season)

Miss Lois Teal, the rider of RAYENA (FR), unplaced, was found to have used her whip when her mount was out of contention. She will be suspended for 5 days as follows: Friday 5, Saturday 6, Sunday 7, Thursday 11, and Thursday 18 July.

Stratford-on-Avon 18 June 2024

Race 8 – The 21st July is Ladies Day Novices' Limited Handicap Hurdle Race (Class 5) (Div II)

Robert Dunne, the rider of LOOKINGDANDY, placed second, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of seven from leaving the back straight. Dunne will be suspended for 7 days as follows: Friday 5, Sunday 7, Monday 8, Tuesday 9, Sunday 14, Monday 15 and Wednesday 17 July.

Ascot 18 June 2024

Race 5 – The Ascot Stakes (Class 2) (Heritage Handicap)

Kaiya Fraser, the rider of DIVINE COMEDY (IRE), placed second, 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: Friday 5, and Sunday 7 to Tuesday 9 July.

Beverley 18 June 2024

Race 5 – The Connexin Hyperfast Fibre Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Elle—May Croot, the rider of STAR OF ST JAMES (GER), placed second, was found to have used her whip three times above the permitted level of six from inside the final three furlongs. She will be suspended for 10 days as follows: Friday 5 to Saturday 13, and Sunday 15 July.

Race 6 – The Connexin Broadband For The Brave Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Jason Watson, the rider of ESCARPMENT (IRE), placed fourth, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from three furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Watson has had over 100 rides in Great Britain since a previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. Therefore, he will be suspended for 3 days as follows: Sunday 23 June, and Sunday 7, and Monday 8 July.

Brighton 18 June 2023

Race 3 – The Enjoy A Free Digital Racecard At Raceday-Ready.Com Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

William Carver, the rider of the winner, KING OF SCOTIA (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 5, and Sunday 7 to Tuesday 9 July.

Hamilton Park 19 June 2024

Race 5 – The 'Hamiltons Largest Private Hire Taxi Company' Handicap Stakes (Class 5)

Sean Kirrane, the rider of MYSTERYOFTHE SANDS, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from inside the final two and a half furlongs. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 5, and Sunday 7 to Tuesday 9 July.

Ascot 19 June 2024

Race 2 – The Queen's Vase (Class 1) (Group 2)

Shane Foley, the rider of BIRDMAN (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 5, and Sunday 7 to Tuesday 9 July.

Race 4 – The Prince Of Wales's Stakes (Class 1) (Group 1) (British Champions Series)

Maxime Guyon, the rider of ZARAKEM (FR), placed second, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 5, and Sunday 7 to Tuesday 9 July.

Panel

Sam Angell (Chair)
Adam Barker
Adrian Sharpe

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

Windsor 17 June 2024

Race 7 – The Fitzdares Classified Stakes (Class 6)

Silvestre De Sousa, the rider of the winner, THURSDAY, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two and a half furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that De Sousa has had over 100 rides in Great Britain since a previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. Therefore, he will be suspended for 3 days from Monday 1 to Wednesday 3 July inclusive.