Whip Review Committee

Decisions 23 June 2023

On Friday 23 June 2023 the Whip Review Committee convened to consider potential breaches of Rule (F)45 following referrals from the racecourse Stewards for races run from 19 June 2023 – 21 June 2023, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Wolverhampton 19 June 2023

Race 1 - The Follow @attheraces on Twitter Fillies' Handicap Stakes (Class 5)

Rhys Clutterbuck, the rider of WODHOOH (FR), placed fourth, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond from approximately two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 7, Sunday 9, Monday 10, and Tuesday 11 July.

Beverley 20 June 2023

Race 7 – The Connexin Smart Infrastructure Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Archie Young, the rider of DARK COMPANY (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days from Friday 7 to Thursday 13 July 2023.

Brighton 20 June 2023

Race 2 – The Streamline 202020 Making All the Running EBF Restricted Maiden Stakes (Class 5) (For horses in Bands C and D) (EBF Restricted Race Qualifier) (GBB Race)

Georgia Dobie, the rider of BIG BROWN BEAR (IRE), placed second, 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: Friday 7, Sunday 9, Monday 10, and Tuesday 11 July.

Race 3 – The Download Fitzdares for Free Race Streaming Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Gina Mangan, the rider of ANIMIST, placed fourth, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Taking into account that this was to be Mangan's third suspension within the previous six months for using her whip above the permitted level, Mangan was referred to the Judicial Panel.

Race 7 – The Free Tips Daily On attheraces.com Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Joshua Bryan, the rider of ARYAAH (IRE), placed fourth, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond from approximately two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 7, Sunday 9, Monday 10, and Tuesday 11 July.

Worcester 21 June 2023

Race 4 - The Savills Handicap Hurdle Race (Class 4)

Elizabeth Gale, the rider of COOLNAUGH HAZE (IRE), placed fourth, was found to have used her whip without giving her mount time to respond from after the third last flight. She will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 7, Sunday 9, Monday 10, and Tuesday 11 July or will spend a day receiving training.

Royal Ascot 21 June 2023

Race 1 – The Queen Mary Stakes (Class 1) (Group 2)

John R. Velazquez, the rider of the winner CRIMSON ADVOCATE (USA), was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place inside the final half furlong. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Monday 26 June, and Wednesday 5 to Friday 7 July inclusive.

Panel
Sam Angell (Chair)
Sarah Ellison
Adrian Sharpe