Whip Review Committee Decisions 23 July 2024

On Tuesday 23 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 18 July – 21 July 2024, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Chepstow 18 July 2024

Race 4 – The Johns Electrics Stakes 2024 Handicap Stakes (Class 5)

David Probert, the rider of the winner, VAPE, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from inside the final two furlongs. Allowing for the fact that Probert has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. Therefore, he will be suspended for 2 days; Tuesday 6 and Wednesday 7 August.

Hamilton 19 July 2024

Race 1 – The G4 Claims Ltd EBF Restricted Maiden Stakes (Class 4) (For Horses in Bands A, B, C And D) (EBF Qualifier) (GBB Race)

Shane Gray, the rider of JORGE ALVARES (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days from Tuesday 6 to Monday 12 August inclusive.

Pontefract 19 July 2024

Race 6 - The Happy 50th Birthday Olena Handicap Stakes (Class 4)

Vincent C Y Ho, the rider of YIPPEE, unplaced, was found to have used his twice above the permitted level of six from approximately four furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days from Tuesday 6 to Monday 12 August inclusive.

Ripon 20 July 2024

Race 6 – The George Dunham 65th Birthday "Confined" Handicap Stakes (Class 6) (for horses which have not won a race in 2024)

Aiden Brookes, the rider of the winner, GIS A SUB (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Brookes has had over 100 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. Therefore, he will be suspended for 3 days from Tuesday 6 to Thursday 8 August

Cartmel 20 July 2024

Race 7 – The Cartmel Novices' Limited Handicap Hurdle Race (Class 5)

Aaron Anderson, the rider of NO MEAN FEAT (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from turning into the home straight. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Saturday 17, Monday 19, Wednesday 21, and Thursday 22 August.

Panel

Sam Angell (Chair) Georgina Cartwright Shaun Parker