

### **Whip Review Committee Decisions 24 September 2024:**

On Tuesday 24 September 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 19 September – 22 September 2024, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

#### **Pontefract 19 September 2024:**

##### **Race 3 - The Ben And Mary Hibbert Memorial Handicap (Class 4)**

Dougie Costello, the rider of the winner KING'S REIGN (FR), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approaching two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Costello has had more than 100 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied, but taking into account Costello was referred to the Judicial Panel on 18 June 2024 for 'totting up' previous whip offences, the deferred suspension of 8 days was imposed by the Panel for a further whip breach within the next 6 months or 200 rides was triggered. He will be suspended for 11 days from Tuesday 8 – Friday 18 October 2024, inclusive.

##### **Race 7 - The Nadeen Dawson Memorial Maiden Stakes (GBB Race) (Class 5)**

Silvestre De Sousa, the rider of TIMES EDITION, placed second, was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place on the run to the line. He will be suspended for 4 days from Monday 14 – Thursday 17 October 2024, inclusive.

#### **Newmarket 21 September 2024:**

##### **Race 6 - The Turners Of Soham Fillies' Handicap (Class 4)**

Tyler Heard, the rider of the winner MRS TWIG (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approaching two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Heard 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 from Tuesday 8 – Thursday 10 October 2024, inclusive.

##### **Race 7 - The Turners Amateur Jockeys' Cambridgeshire (Handicap) (Special Rider Conditions) (Class 4)**

Mr Jack Callan, the rider of the ORGANIC (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from approximately two and a half furlongs out. He will be suspended for 7 days as follows: Monday 14, Wednesday 16, Friday 18, Monday 21, Saturday 26, Monday 28 and Wednesday 30 October 2024.

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**Race 2 - The LiveScore Bet Doonside Cup Stakes (Listed Race) (Class 1)**

Sean Levey, the rider of the winner PERSICA (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from two furlongs out. Taking into account that this was a Class 1 race, the penalty in respect of the above permitted level was doubled. He will be suspended for 8 days from Tuesday 8 – Tuesday 15 October 2024, inclusive.

**Race 4 - The Virgin Bet Every Saturday Money Back Firth Of Clyde (Group 3) (Fillies) (Class 1)**

Connor Murtagh, the rider of MAW LAM (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from two furlongs out. Taking into account that this was a Class 1 race, the penalty in respect of the above permitted level was doubled. He will be suspended for 14 days as follows: Tuesday 8 – Saturday 19 and Monday 21 and Tuesday 22 October 2024.

**Hamilton Park 22 September 2024:**

**Race 4 - The Usave Business Energy Specialist Fillies' Handicap (Class 4)**

Mohammed Tabti, the rider of CATHERINE CHROI (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip down the shoulder in the forehand position with his hands off the reins approaching the final furlong. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Tuesday 8, Wednesday 9, Thursday 10 and Sunday 13 October 2024.

**Race 7 - The Hampton By Hilton Hamilton Park Handicap (Class 6)**

Mohammed Tabti, the rider of SUSIESPARKLE (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 as follows: Friday 11, Saturday 12 and Monday 14 – Friday 18 October 2024, inclusive.

**Panel:**

Sam Angell (Chair)

Gregory Pearson

Georgina Cartwright