

Whip Review Committee
Decisions 26 January 2024

On Friday 26 January 2024 the Whip Review Committee convened to consider potential breaches of Rule (F)45 following referrals from the racecourse Stewards for races run from 22 January 2024 – 24 January 2024, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Kempton 22 January 2024

Race 2 – THE UNIBET ZERO% MISSION MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS 5) (GBB RACE)

Marco Ghiani, the rider of ALJEZUR (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Taking into account that this was to be Ghiani's fifth suspension within the previous 6 months for a breach of the whip rules, Ghiani was referred to the Judicial Panel.

Warwick 22 January 2024

Miss Immy Robinson, the rider of the winner, D'JANGO (FR), was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of seven from the end of the back straight. She will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 9, Thursday 15, Friday 16, and Saturday 17 February.

Panel

Sam Angell (Chair)
Richard Fuller
Richard Westropp

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

Newbury 23 January 2024

Race 5 – THE RAY DALFSEN MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 4)

Ben Poste, the rider of the winner, GAYE LEGACY (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from having jumped the second last flight. Allowing for the fact that Poste has had over 150 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 February.