

Whip Review Committee Decisions 2025:

On Friday 26 September 2025 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 run from 22 September 2025 – 24 September 2025, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Hamilton Park 22 September 2025:

Race 7 - The Hampton By Hilton Hamilton Park Confined Handicap (For horses With No Win In 2025)(Class 6)

Barry McHugh, the rider of the winner GREEN VALENTINE (IRE), was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of six from approaching the final two furlongs. He will be suspended for 7 days from Friday 10 to Thursday 16 October 2025, inclusive.

Beverley 23 September 2025:

Race 6 - The End Of Season Handicap (Class 6)

Taryn Langley, the rider of CHARMING FELLOW, placed second, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of six from inside the final two furlongs. She will be suspended for 4 days from Sunday 12 to Wednesday 15 October 2025, inclusive.

Perth 24 September 2025:

Race 4 - The Paul Ferguson's Jumpers To Follow David Whitaker Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 2)

Danny Gilligan, the rider of YEATS STAR (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from jumping the second to last fence. Allowing for the fact that Gilligan has had over 75 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 3 days from Friday 10 to Sunday 12 October 2025.

Panel:

Shaun Parker

Steven Drowne

Phillip Spottiswood