Whip Review Committee Decisions 2025:

On Tuesday 28 October 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 23 October 2025 – 26 October 2025, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Nottingham 23 October 2025:

Race 8 - The PricedUp The Flat Handicap (Class 6)

Jake Dickson, the rider of SWEET KISS, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days from Monday 17 to Thursday 20 November 2025, inclusive.

Southwell 23 October 2025:

Race 9 - The Midnite Are Upping The Betting Game Handicap (GBBPlus Race) (Class 4)

Paul Mulrennan, the rider of HIS FINEST HOUR, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Mulrennan has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Monday 17 and Tuesday 18 November 2025.

Cheltenham 24 October 2025:

Race 6 - The Champions: Full Gallop Streaming On ITVX Novices' Hurdle (GBB Race) (Class 2)

Freddie Keighley, the rider of the winner, DE TEMPS EN TEMPS (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from jumping the second last hurdle. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 11 to Friday 14 November 2025, inclusive.

Cheltenham 25 October 2025:

Race 3 - The William Hill Best Odds Guaranteed Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 2)

Jack Kennedy, the rider of the winner, THREE CARD BRAG (IRE), was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time respond after jumping the final fence. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 11 to Friday 14 November 2025, inclusive.

Newbury 25 October 2025:

Race 1 - The Grundon Amateur Jockeys' Handicap (Class 5)

Mr Henry Callan, the rider of the winner, ALPINE STROLL, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two and a half furlongs out. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Tuesday 25 and Wednesday 26 November, and Friday 05, and Thursday 11 December 2025.

Doncaster 25 October 2025:

Race 1 - The Skill Step Group Handicap (Class 2)

Faye McManoman, the rider of DURAN (IRE), placed second, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that McManoman has had over 100 rides in Great Britain since her previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. She will be suspended for 3 days from Monday 17 to Wednesday 19 November 2025, inclusive.

Race 8 - The Free Digital Racecard At raceday-ready.com Handicap (Div II) (Class 4)

Ben Robinson, the rider of the winner, LIR SPECIALE (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 Robinson has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Monday 17 and Tuesday 18 November 2025.

Wolverhampton 25 October 2025:

Race 1 - The Always Gamble Responsibly At BetMGM EBF Restricted Maiden Fillies' Stakes (Bands C And D) (GBB Race) (Class 5)

William Cox, the rider of SHABTI, unplaced, was found to have used his whip with his arm above shoulder height from approaching two furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Cox has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Monday 17 and Tuesday 18 November 2025.

Jason Watson, the rider of the winner, EASTERN VEIL, was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place on the run to the line. Allowing for the fact that Watson has had over 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. He will be suspended for 2 days, Monday 17 and Tuesday 18 November 2025.

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