Whip Review Committee Decisions 30 January 2024

On Tuesday 30 January 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 24 January 2024 – 28 January 2024, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Catterick Bridge 24 January 2024

Race 4 – The Best Odds Guaranteed at Vickers.bet Handicap Hurdle Race (Class 4) (Go North Cab On Target Series Qualifier)

James Bowen, the rider of the winner, HERAKLES WESTWOOD (FR), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from two flights out. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 13 to Friday 16 February inclusive.

Newcastle 25 January 2024

Race 6 - The BetUK Home of the Acca-Fenwa Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Gianluca Sanna, the rider of WILLOW BABY (IRE), placed third, 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 Tuesday 13 to Friday 16 February inclusive.

Lingfield Park 26 January 2024

Race 6 – The BetUK. It's Where the UK Bets Classified Stakes (Class 6)

Josephine Gordon, the rider of AUTUMN FLIGHT (IRE), placed third, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of six from approaching the final furlong. Allowing for the fact that Gordon has had over 100 rides in Great Britain since a previous whip breach mitigation on penalty was applied. Therefore, she will be suspended for 3 days from Tuesday 13 to Thursday 15 February inclusive.

Wolverhampton 26 January 2024

Race 2 – The Win £2,000,000 With BetMGM's Golden Goals Handicap Stakes (Class 5)

The winner, FLATLEY, ridden by David Probert, was found to have minor weals post-race. Probert will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 13 to Friday 16 February inclusive.

Newcastle 27 January 2024

Race 4 - The BetMGM: Its Showtime Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Joe Fanning, the rider of the winner, MERESIDE MADNESS (IRE), was found to have used his whip twice above the permitted level of seven from approaching the final furlong. He will be suspended for 7 days from Tuesday 13 to Monday 19 February inclusive.

Kempton Park 27 January 2024

Race 8 - The Every Race Live on RacingTV Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Joe Bradnam, the rider of the winner, TAMARIS (IRE), 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 from Tuesday 13 to Monday 19 February inclusive.

<u>Panel</u>

Sam Angell (Chair) Sarah Ellison Richard Westropp