

### **Whip Review Committee Decisions 2026:**

On Tuesday 30 June 2026 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 25 June 2026 – 28 June 2026, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

#### **Doncaster 26 June 2026:**

##### **Race 8 - The Spillers Racehorse Cubes Handicap Stakes**

John Egan, the rider of the winner, AL SHARID (FR), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately three furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Egan has had over 100 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied. Now suspended for 3 days from Tuesday 14 to Thursday 16 July 2026, inclusive.

#### **Cartmel 26 June 2026:**

##### **Race 3 - The Molson Coors Novices' Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 4)**

Mr Dara McGill, the rider of JUSTICIALISM (IRE), placed third, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven leaving the back straight. He will be suspended for 4 days, Saturday 15 and Tuesday 25 August 2026. The following 2 dates will be provided in due course.

#### **Newmarket 26 June 2026:**

##### **Race 7 - The Dereham Handicap (Class 5)**

Nicola Currie, the rider of DEREHAM, placed third, was found to have used her whip three times above the permitted level of six from approximately two and a half furlongs out. She will be suspended for 10 days from Wednesday 15 to Friday 24 July 2026, inclusive.

##### **Race 8 - The Turners Apprentice Handicap (Class 5)**

Seamus Cronin, the rider of SEVENTY, placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from approximately one and a half furlongs. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 14 to Friday 17 July 2026, inclusive.

#### **Bangor-On-Dee 26 June 2026:**

##### **Race 6 - The Tom Jones Live At Chester Conditional Jockeys' Handicap Hurdle (Class 5)**

Paddy Hanlon, the rider of ROXBORO RIVER (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip above shoulder height after jumping the final hurdle. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows; Wednesday 15, Thursday 16, Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 July 2026.

#### **Newcastle 27 June 2026:**

Race 4 - The Jenningsbet Northumberland Plate Handicap (Heritage Handicap) (GBBPlus Race) (Class 2).

Daniel Muscutt, the rider of the winner, ALIGN THE STARS (IRE), was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from three and a half furlongs out. Allowing for the fact that Muscutt has had more than 200 rides in Great Britain since his previous whip breach, mitigation on penalty was applied, but taking into account that this was a Class 2 race worth more than £150,000, the penalty in respect of the above permitted level was doubled. He will be suspended for 4 days from Tuesday 14 to Friday 17 July 2026, inclusive.

**Cartmel 28 June 2026:**

Race 3 - The Campbell & Rowley Handicap Hurdle (Class 4)

Mr Oran McGill, the rider of NAKASSAMA (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of seven from jumping the final hurdle. He will be suspended for 4 days, Saturday 15 and Tuesday 25 August 2026. The following 2 dates will be provided in due course.

**Wolverhampton 28 June 2026:**

Race 2 - The First Windsorlot Then Voltaic & Now Teardrops Handicap (Class 5)

Jack Callan, the rider of JUST A GAMBLER (IRE), placed fifth, was found to have used his whip in the incorrect place rounding the home bend. Allowing for the fact that Callan 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 14 to Thursday 16 July 2026, inclusive.

Pierre-Louis Jamin, the rider of COURT OF STARS (IRE), placed sixth, was found to have used his whip above shoulder height from one furlong out. Allowing for the fact that Jamin 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, Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 July 2026.

Panel:

Shaun Parker

Georgina Cartwright

Phillip Spottiswood