

Whip Review Committee
Decisions 31 October 2023

On Tuesday 31 October 2023 the Whip Review Committee convened to consider potential breaches of Rule (F)45 following referrals from the racecourse Stewards for races run from 26 October – 29 October 2023, inclusive. A summary of their findings is outlined below.

Ludlow 26 October 2023

Race 1 – The Hazlin of Ludlow Ltd Amateur Jockeys' Handicap Steeple Chase (Class 5)

Miss Jessica Milly Smith, the rider of CARO DES FLO (FR), placed third, was found to have used her whip once above the permitted level of seven and without giving her mount time to respond from after jumping the fourth last fence. She will be suspended for 8 days as follows: Saturday 18, Monday 20, and Wednesday 22 November, and Tuesday 5, Thursday 7, Tuesday 19, Wednesday 20, and Thursday 21 December.

Carlisle 26 October 2023

Race 6 – The Daily Charged Up Offers At Rhino.bet Novices' Handicap Steeple Chase (Class 4) (GBB Race)

Jonathan England, the rider of the winner, FENLAND TIGER, was found to have used his whip down the shoulder in the forehand position on two occasions. He will be suspended for 7 days as follows: Tuesday 14 to Monday 20 November inclusive.

Wolverhampton 27 October 2023

Race 3 – The Best Racing Odds Guaranteed at BetMGM Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

William Pyle, the rider of PINK WALLS, unplaced, was found to have used his whip when his mount was out of contention. He will be suspended for 5 days from Tuesday 14 to Saturday 18 November inclusive.

Cheltenham 27 October 2023

Race 1 – The Foundation Developments Conditional Jockeys' Handicap Hurdle Race (Class 3) (Challenger Two Mile Hurdle Series Qualifier)

M.J.M O'Sullivan, the rider of CLARENS (IRE), unplaced, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond from after jumping the second last flight. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Tuesday 14 to Friday 17 November inclusive.

Finn Lambert, the rider of SHETLAND TONY, unplaced, was found to have used his whip without giving his mount time to respond from after jumping the last flight. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Tuesday 14 to Friday 17 November inclusive.

Panel:

Sam Angell (Chair)
Georgina Cartwright
Steve Drowne

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

Lingfield Park 27 October 2023

Race 4 – The Always Gamble Responsibly With BetUK Handicap Stakes (Class 6)

Mikkel Mortensen, the rider of CHURCHILL ROSE (IRE), placed second, was found to have used his whip once above the permitted level of six from shortly before turning into the home straight. He will be suspended for 4 days as follows: Friday 10, Saturday 11, Monday 13, and Tuesday 14 November.