

# Stewards' Report

## Stewards Report: Barry Phillips– Orleans

**Date: 30 October 2019**

**Panel: D Aurisch & P Zimmermann**

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today concluded an inquiry into a report from the analyst that the prohibited substance HEPTAMINOL was detected in a urine sample taken from ORLEANS at the Sunshine Coast Turf Club on 13 January 2019.

Documentary evidence was tabled from the Racing Science Centre (RSC) and the Racing Analytical Services Limited (RASL) along with written evidence from licensed trainer Mr Barry Phillips.

After considering all of the evidence, Mr Phillips was issued with a charge pursuant to AR 178 which states:

*Subject to AR 178G, when any horse that has been brought to a racecourse for the purpose of engaging in a race and a prohibited substance is detected in any sample taken from it prior to or following its running in any race, the trainer and any other person who was in charge of such horse at any relevant time may be penalised.*

The specifics of the charge being that Mr Barry Phillips as the trainer of ORLEANS brought that gelding to the Sunshine Coast on 13 January 2019 for the purpose of engaging in a race and a pre-race urine sample taken prior to the Class 3 Handicap 1000m, was found to contain the prohibited substance HEPTAMINOL.

After considering further submissions, Mr Phillips was found guilty of the charge.

Mr Phillips then submitted further submissions in regard to mitigation regarding the reason for HEPTAMINOL being present in the sample.

In determining an appropriate penalty, Stewards acknowledged Mr Phillip's unblemished record over a long period. However, Stewards were also mindful of similar penalty precedents, the negative impact such breaches have on the image of racing and the need for a penalty to serve as an appropriate deterrent to ensure racing is conducted free of prohibited substances.

Mr Phillips was subsequently fined \$2000.

ORLEANS was disqualified from its 7th placing in the Class 3 Handicap at the Sunshine Coast on 13 January 2019 and the placings were amended accordingly.