

Stewards' Report

Stewards Report: Mr Gary Doughty (Trainer-Track rider)

Date: 14 October 2020

Panel: P. Gillard, A. Turner

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today inquired into a report from the analyst that a urine sample provided by licensed Trainer Mr Gary Doughty after he rode track-work at the Gold Coast on 18 August 2020. The urine sample contained a banned substance above the permitted threshold under AR 136 (1).

When deciding to issue a charge under AR 139(1) (a), the Stewards were of the opinion that Mr Doughty failed to make the appropriate application for an exemption to ride track-work with this medication set out clearly in AR 142. AR 139 (1) (a) reads:

A rider breaches these Australian Rules if a banned substance under 136 (1) is detected in a sample taken from the rider.

The specifics of the charge being that Mr Doughty did provide a sample of urine at the Gold Coast Turf Club on 18 August 2020, which contained a banned substance under 136 (1) above the permitted threshold.

In determining penalty, Stewards were mindful of the circumstances of this particular case, Mr Doughty's forthright evidence, guilty plea and relevant penalty precedents.

Subsequently, Mr Doughty had his right to ride track-work attached to his trainer's licence suspended for a period of five (5) weeks to commence immediately and to expire at midnight 18 November 2020.

Mr Doughty was further advised it is a requirement that he supply a urine sample free of any banned substances prior to his licence being reinstated in full allowing him to ride work again.

Mr Doughty was advised of his rights to an internal review.

