

# Stewards' Report

## Stewards Report: Mr Glen Colless (Jockey)

**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 Jockey Mr Glen Colless after he rode track-work at the Gold Coast on 18 August 2020. The urine sample contained a banned substances under the provisions of AR136(1).

After hearing all submissions Mr Colless pleaded guilty to a charge under AR139(1) which 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 Colless did provide a sample of urine at the Gold Coast Turf Club on 18 August 2020, which contained substances banned under 136(1).

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

Subsequently, Mr Colless had his licence to ride in full, suspended for a period of six (6) months commence from 1 September 2020 and to expire at midnight 1 March 2021.

Stewards further ordered under the provisions of AR283(5) which reads:

### **AR 283 Penalties**

(5) Any person or body authorised by the Rules to penalise a person may in respect of any penalty imposed in relation to the conduct of a person and other than in relation to a period of disqualification or a warning off, suspend the operation of that penalty either wholly or in part for a period not exceeding 2 years, on terms they think fit.

That should Mr Colless provide conformation of the completion of suitable rehabilitations and counselling sessions, that 1 month be wholly suspended for a period of two (2) years. Mr Colless was further advised it is a requirement that he supply a urine sample free of any banned substances prior to his licence being reinstated allowing him to ride.

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

