

Stewards' Report

Stewards Report: Peter Raybould

Date: 1 November 2021

Panel: Rion Hitchener, Lyndsey Hicks, Mikayla King

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today inquired into a report from Racing Analytical Services Limited (RASL) that a urine sample provided by licensed trackwork rider Mr Peter Raybould at the Gold Coast Turf Club, on 12 October 2021 was found to contain a banned substance under Australian Rule of Racing 136(1)(a).

After taking evidence from Mr Raybould via teleconference in relation to the matter, he pleaded guilty to a charge under AR139(1)(a) which reads-

A rider breaches these Australian Rules if:

(a) a banned substance under AR 136(1) is detected in a sample taken from the rider.

The particulars of the charge being that Mr Peter Raybould, as a licensed track work rider with the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission did provide a sample of urine at the Gold Coast Turf Club on the morning of 12 October 2021 which upon confirmatory analysis was found to contain a banned substance as defined under AR136(1), above the allowable threshold.

In determining penalty, Stewards considered Mr Raybould's guilty plea, personal circumstances, forthright evidence, good record, and the relevant penalty precedents.

Stewards determined that the appropriate penalty be that Mr Raybould be disqualified for a period of six (6) months, however when considering that Mr Raybould had been stood down from riding since 12 October 2021, he was disqualified effective immediately and to expire midnight 12 April 2022.

Furthermore, Mr Raybould was advised that subject to AR139(4) he cannot resume riding until a sample free of any banned substance under AR136(1) has been delivered.

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