

Stewards' Report

Stewards Report: Mr Matthew McGillivray (Jockey)

Date: 24 January 2022

Panel: Daniel Aurisch, Josh Adams & Geoff Goold

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today inquired into a report from the analyst that a urine sample provided by licensed Jockey Mr Matthew McGillivray after he rode track-work at Eagle Farm on 7 December 2021. The urine sample contained a banned substance under the provisions of AR136(1).

After hearing all submissions, Mr McGillivray pleaded guilty to a charge under AR139(1) which provides:

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 McGillivray did provide a sample of urine at Eagle Farm on 7 December 2021, which contained substances banned under 136(1).

In determining penalty, Stewards were mindful of the circumstances of this case, Mr McGillivray's forthright evidence, guilty plea, his previous record and relevant penalty precedents.

Subsequently, Mr McGillivray was disqualified for a period of (8) months to commence from 24 January 2022 and to expire at midnight 24 September 2022.

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

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(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 McGillivray provide confirmation of the completion of suitable rehabilitations and counselling sessions, upon application for a licence, the Stewards would consider varying last 2 months of the disqualification to a suspension of his licence to ride in races. Mr McGillivray 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 McGillivray was advised of his rights to an internal review.