

Avondale JC 25 April 2016 - R 7 - Chair, Mr A Dooley

Rules:

[638\(1\)\(d\)](#)

Name(s):

Ms S Spratt - Licensed Jockey

Mr J Oatham - Senior Stipendiary Steward

Mr M Davidson - Stipendiary Steward

Charge:

Facts:

admitted

Following the running of race 7, Precinct Reality 1400, an Information was filed pursuant to Rule 638 (1)(d). The Informant, Mr Coles, alleged that Ms Spratt permitted her mount NOVELTY to shift outwards when not sufficiently clear causing a check to THEIA near the 400 metres then continuing to shift outwards making solid contact with ESPRIT DE CORPS.

Ms Spratt acknowledged that she understood the Rule and confirmed her admission of the breach.

Rule 638(1) (d) provides: *A Rider shall not ride a horse in a manner which the Judicial Committee considers to be careless.*

Mr Davidson identified that near the 400 metres Ms Spratt allowed her mount to shift out when not the required distance clear of THEIA which meant Ms Collett had to take a hold of her mount. He showed that Ms Spratt continued to permit her mount to shift ground outwards making solid contact with ESPRIT DE CORPS which became badly unbalanced losing ground.

Ms Spratt admitted that she was careless when shifting out but believed her mount over reacted to the incident.

Decision:

As Ms Spratt admitted the breach the Committee find the charge proved.