

Kapiti Coast HRC 2 February 2020 - R 2 - Chair, Mr T Utikere

Rules:

[Rule 869\(2\) and Use of Whip Regulations](#)

Name(s):

Mr S Dickson - Open Horseman

Charge:

Facts:

admitted

Following the running of Race 2 (THE ANCHORAGE @ WAITARERE BEACH NZ MOBILE PACE 2000m) Information A11701 was filed with the Judicial Committee. It alleged a breach of Rule 869(2) in that Mr Dickson "when driving ONEDIN PUNTER over the final 400 metres used his whip on more occasions than permitted under Clause (b) of the Use of Whip Regulations". Mr Dickson acknowledged that he understood the Rule and Regulations and that he admitted the breach.

Rule 869(2) states: "*No horseman shall during any race use a whip in a manner in contravention of the Use of the Whip Regulations made by the Board.*"

Using the side-on film Mr Mulcay identified ONEDIN PUNTER approaching the 400 metres. It had shifted ground in an attempt to gain better running, with Mr Dickson driving with a free hand. Mr Mulcay submitted that he had struck his horse 12 to 13 times.

Mr Dickson believed the film to be clear, and told the Committee that the long straight had caught him out as he was minded to win as his horse was positioned so close to winning the race.

Decision:

As the charge was admitted, the Committee proceed on the basis that it is proved.