

Rangiora HRC 8 November 2019 - R 1 - Chair, Mr D Anderson

Rules:

[869\(4\)\(6\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)

Name(s):

Mr R Reekie - Amateur Driver
Mr S Renault - Stipendiary Steward
Mr P Williams - Stipendiary Steward

Charge:

Facts:

admitted

Following the running of Race 1 an Information was filed by Stipendiary Steward Mrs C Tibbs alleging a breach of Rule 869 (4)(6)(b)(c) by Amateur Driver Mr R Reekie. The Information stated that “**R Reekie (DONEGAL CARRICKFIN) forced RAINY RIVER wider on the track near the 1600m**”.

Mr Reekie had signed the Information admitting the breach and stated he had a clear understanding of the push out rule.

Rule 869(4)(6)(b)(c) reads as follows.

(4) No horseman shall during any race do anything which interferes or is likely to interfere with his own horse and /or any other horse or its progress.

(6) “Subject to sub-rule (4) hereof: -

(b) A horse making a forward movement during any race shall not be forced to race wider on the track;

(c) A horse during a race shall not move ground outwards once the nose of the wider runner coming forward is in line with or past its sulky wheel and until the wider runner going forward is fully past.”

Mrs Tibbs asked Mr Williams to point to Mr Reekie driving DONEGAL CARRICKFIN racing in the one out one back position at approximately the 1700 metres. She said at this stage Mr Munro (RAINY RIVER) was making a run three wide from the rear of the field and as he improved to the wheel of DONEGAL CARRICKFIN Mr Reekie shifts outwards forcing RAINY RIVER 4 wide. Mrs Tibbs said this manoeuvre was a clear breach of the push out rule.

Mr Reekie said when he decided to shift out, he was clear but by the time he began his manoeuvre Mr Munro had appeared on his outside.

Decision:

As Mr Reekie admitted the breach the charge was found proved.