

THE RULES OF RACING and RACEDAY REGULATION

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OBJECTIVE:

**TO MOVE AWAY FROM BEING THE 'TRAFFIC WARDEN'
FIGURES WITHIN RACING**



TO THE MUCH LOVED, GREATLY RESPECTED, TV PERSONALITY



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THE SOLUTION

TEACHING

SIMPLIFICATION

APPROACHABLE

TEACHING

- **Jockeys – initially and on-going**
- **Trainers**
- **Racing Secretaries**
- **Owners**
- **Stipendiary Stewards**
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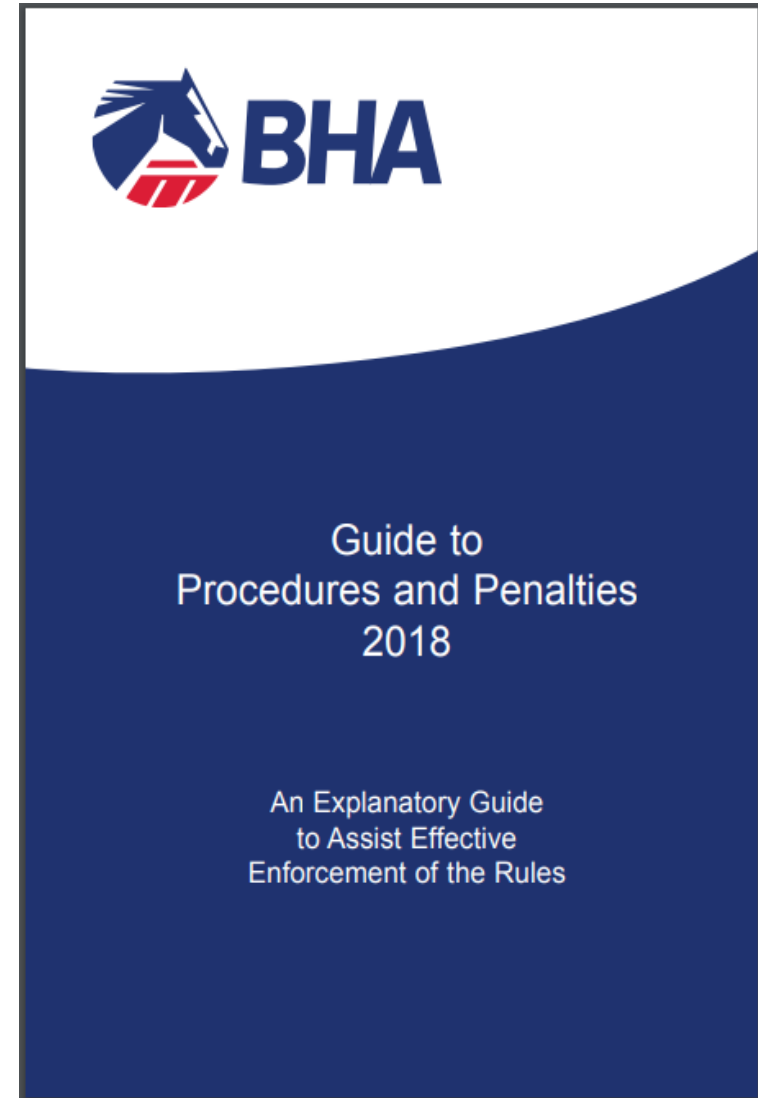
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- **TV Companies**

SIMPLIFICATION

Simplify the Rules to aid:

- **understanding**
- **application**
- **consistency**



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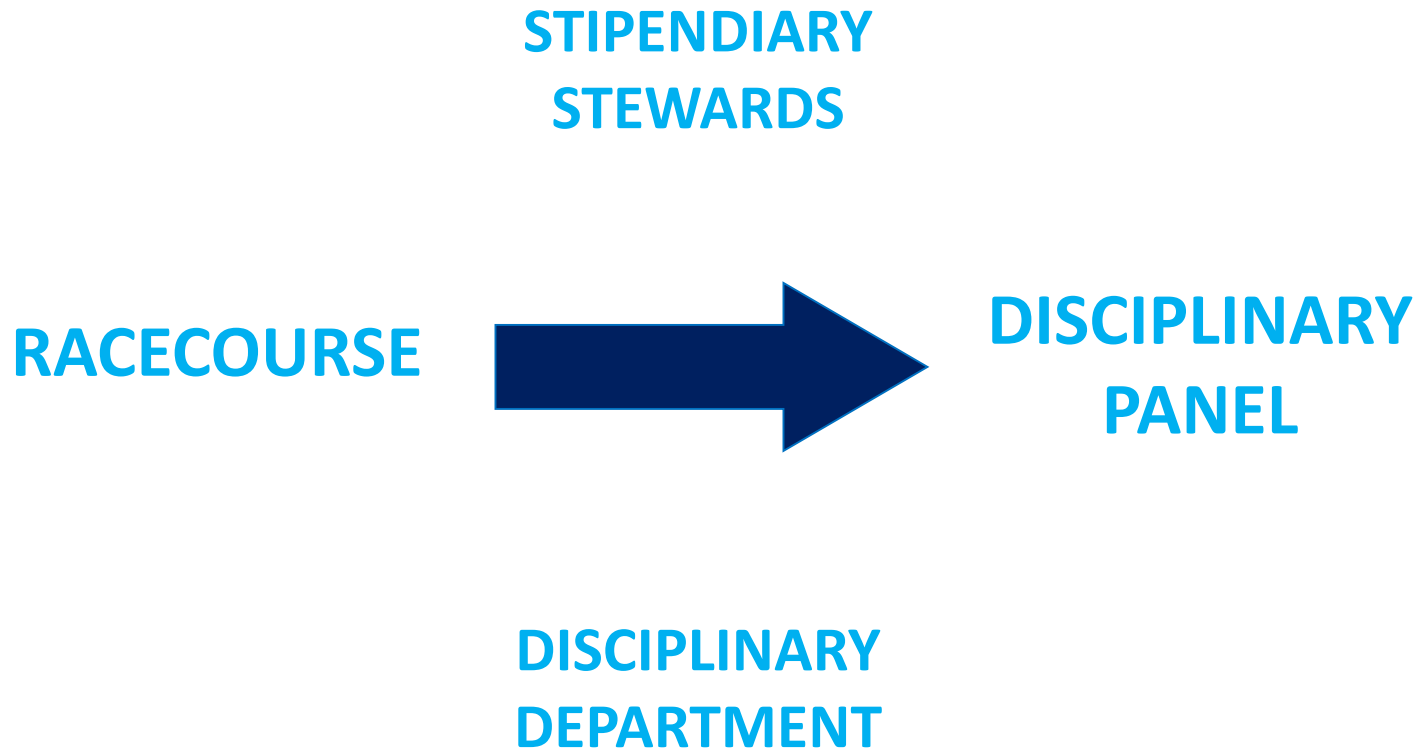
Stipendiary Stewards – Racecourse

Disciplinary – High Holborn



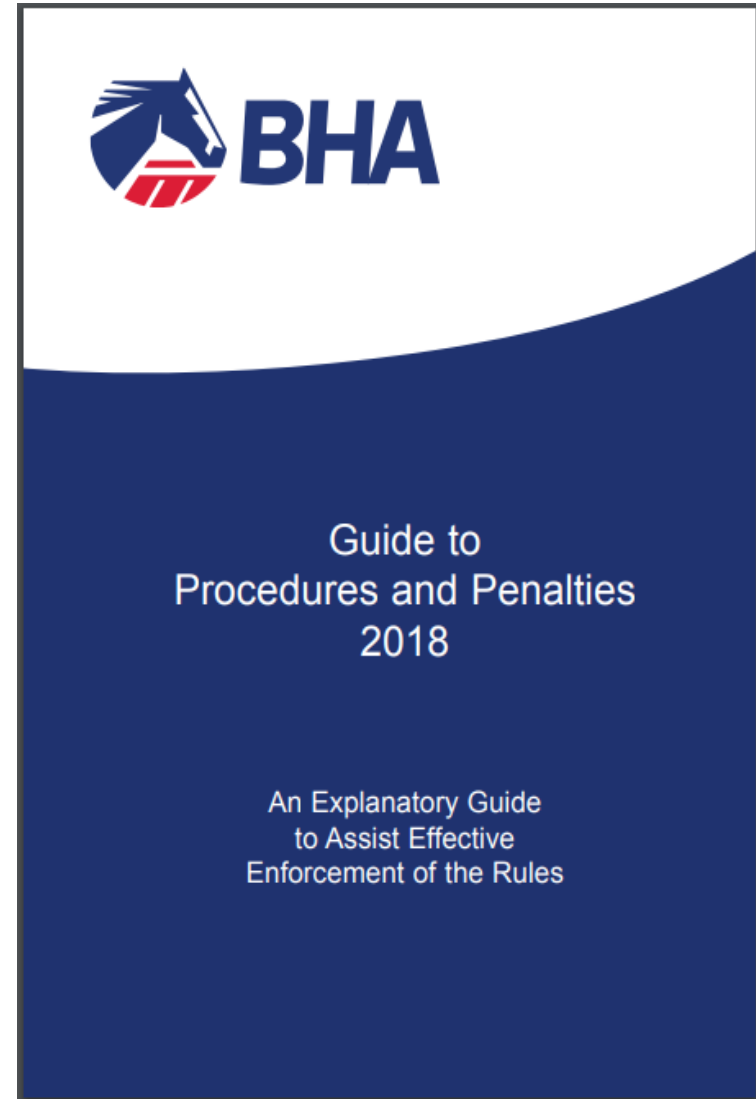
RACEDAY REGULATION

‘THE DAY JOB’



SIMPLIFICATION

- Running & Riding
- Interference
- Whip





Running and Riding

Has a breach of the Rules been committed?

In order to decide whether or not to hold an enquiry or if a breach has been committed the Stewards should consider the following questions:

- Was the horse asked for “.....timely, real and substantial effort?”
- Was it ridden to obtain the best possible placing?

Rule (D)45.2

“...whilst it is not necessary for the Rider to use the whip, the Rider must give his horse at least a hands and heels ride.”



Interference

INTERFERENCE

WAS THERE INTERFERENCE?

WHO CAUSED IT?

NO BLAME – NO ENQUIRY

DANGEROUS RIDING

**WAS THE SAFETY OF ANY HORSE OR RIDER SERIOUSLY
JEOPARDISED?**

IF NOT: IT CAN'T BE DANGEROUS

DANGEROUS RIDING

Horse Must Be Disqualified

CARELESS, IMPROPER and ACCIDENTAL

Would the horse who suffered the interference have beaten the horse who caused the interference but for the interference?

If so, place behind.

USE OF THE WHIP

Use of the whip

THE STEWARDS MUST CONSIDER HOLDING AN ENQUIRY ON EVERY OCCASION THEY FIND A RIDER TO HAVE USED HIS WHIP:

- **MORE THAN 7 TIMES IN A FLAT RACE**
- **MORE THAN 8 TIMES IN A JUMP RACE**

Use of the whip

- **Assess the overall manner with which the whip has been used and whether or not any individual occasions on which it has been used should be discounted.**
- **If still concerned, hold enquiry and seek explanation from rider.**

FROM THE RACECOURSE

- **Appeals – jockeys, trainers & owners**
- **Referred for further investigation**
 - **running & riding**
 - **problems at actual meeting**



ANY QUESTIONS?



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