



Norsk Jockeyklub

RULES ON USE OF THE WHIP AT ØVREVOLL RACECOURSE

The following rules apply for use of the whip at Øvrevoll Racecourse:

Only cushion whips approved are allowed to be carried in races for 2-year olds and in hurdle races.

The maximum length (including flap) is 70 centimeters, and there must be no binding within 17 centimeters of the end of the flap. The overall weight must not exceed 160 grams. The minimum diameter for a whip is 1 centimeter and of dark color.

The contact area of the shaft must be smooth, with no protrusion or raised surface, and covered by shock absorbing material throughout its circumference such that it gives a compression factor of at least 6 millimeters.

The jockey should at all times ride with both hands on the reins. Using the reins “as whip” is not permitted and will be punished in accordance with the Rules of Racing.

The whip could only be used to avoid dangerous situations, situations which may be of danger to the riders own mount or to the competitors, or if the horse is obviously hanging badly, or is trying to duck out.

Violation of the rules may result in disqualification of the horse.

Punishment:

By breach of the rules on use of the whip, The Stewards will impose the following penalties:

Professional Jockeys:

First offence: Fine of NOK 2 000 and minimum 2 days suspension.

Second offence: Fine of NOK 5 000 and minimum 6 days suspension.

Amateur Riders

First offence: minimum 2 days suspension.

Second offence: minimum 6 days suspension.

- Should the Stewards be of the opinion that the punishment is unreasonable, they may impose a lower sentence.

- The Stewards may report special serious cases to the Board of the Norwegian Jockey Club.

I the undersigned confirm complete knowledge of the rules on use of the whip at Øvrevoll Racecourse and the consequence of offences made against those rules.

Rules and Regulations
The Norwegian Jockey Club
§ 372 – 376
§ 489 h

Date:

Signature:

Signature interpreter
