



APPEAL RESULT

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FROM: Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

DATE: 7 January 2016

SUBJECT: **APPEAL HEARING RESULT – JOCKEY: STEPHEN BASTER**

Panel Judge John Bowman (Chair).

Appearances Mr Baster appeared on his own behalf.
Mr Robert Cram appeared on behalf of the stewards.

At Flemington on Friday 1 January 2016, jockey Stephen Baster was fined the sum of \$500 for using his whip nine times prior to the 100m mark. The charge relating to his ride on *Mujadale* in Race 8 the *Bagot Handicap* (Listed, 2800m).

The charge being a breach of AR 137A(5)(a)(ii) which states that:

- (a) *In a race, official trial or jump-out prior to the 100 metre mark;*
- (ii) *The whip shall not be used on more than 5 occasions.*

A Notice of Appeal against **the severity of the penalty** was lodged on Monday, 4 January 2016.

DECISION: **Appeal allowed.**

Penalty varied to a fine of \$350.