



**RACING APPEALS
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APPEAL DECISION

NOEL CALLOW
and

RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS

Date of Hearing: 4 October 2016

Heard By: Judge Bowman (Chair).

Appearances: Mr Brent Scarlett appeared on behalf of the stewards.
Mr Des O'Keefe appeared on behalf of Mr Callow.

At Pakenham on Friday 30 September 2016, jockey Noel Callow pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding on his mount *Berlutti* in Race 6 the *Club Officer BM78 Handicap* (1200m).

The careless riding being that passing the 900 metres he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of *Florelle*, which as a result was carried in across the running of *Septamore*, which was tightened for room and had to be restrained by its rider and lost its rightful position.

Mr Callow had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Friday, 30 September 2016 and to expire at midnight on Saturday, 8 October 2016 – a total of 10 race meetings (3 metro, 7 provincial).

In assessing penalty the Stewards were of the view that the incident qualified for the low end of the mid-range category of carelessness and took into account his guilty plea, record and personal circumstances.

A Notice of Appeal against **the severity of the penalty** was lodged on Sunday, 2 October 2016. A stay of proceedings was not requested

DECISION: Appeal dismissed – penalty to remain standing.

Georgie Gavin
Registrar - Racing Appeals & Disciplinary Board