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APPEAL DECISION

GLEN BOSS

and

RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS

Date of Hearing: 18 October 2017

Heard By: Judge Bowman (Chair)

Appearances: James Hitchcock appeared on behalf of the stewards.

Des O'Keeffe appeared on behalf of Glen Boss.

At Caulfield on Saturday 14 October 2017, jockey Glen Boss pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding on his mount *Riven Light (IRE)* in Race 7 the *Ladbrokes Stakes* (Group 1, 2000m).

The carelessness being approaching the 200m he permitted his mount to shift out causing tightening to Calderon and Hartnell which were both checked severely.

Mr Boss had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Sunday, 15 October 2017 and to expire at midnight on Tuesday, 24 October 2017 – a total of 10 race meetings (2 metro, 8 provincial).

In assessing penalty Stewards took into account his guilty plea and good record and that the carelessness was in the mid-range.

A Notice of Appeal against the severity of the penalty was lodged on Monday, 16 October 2017. A stay of proceedings was not requested.

DECISION: Appeal allowed.

Penalty varied so that the period of suspension expires at midnight on Saturday, 21 October 2017 (7 race meetings).