



APPEAL RESULT

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SUBJECT: **APPEAL HEARING RESULT – APPRENTICE JOCKEY: JACK HILL**

Panel Judge Russell Lewis (Chair), Mr Jeremy Rosenthal, Mr Ron Taylor.

Appearances Mr Des O’Keeffe appeared on behalf of Mr Hill.
Mr Robert Cram appeared on behalf of the Stewards.

At an adjourned inquiry on Monday, 27 June 2011 apprentice jockey Jack Hill was found guilty of a charge of charge of careless riding on his mount *Royal Bender* in Race 8 the *Veolia Environmental Services Handicap* (1200m) at Flemington on Saturday, 7 May 2011.

The careless riding being that near the 200 metre mark he failed to make sufficient effort to straighten his mount when shifting in and not sufficiently clear of apprentice jockey Jake Noonan’s mount *Safe*. This resulted in *Safe* being taken in, tightened for room and brushing the hindquarters of *Barbie’s Bombshell* which then shifted out slightly. As a result of this tightening *Safe* clipped the heels of *Royal Bender* and fell.

Mr Hill had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period to commence at midnight on Wednesday, 29 June 2011 and to expire at midnight on Tuesday, 19 July 2011 – a total of 20 race meetings (5 metropolitan, 15 country).

A Notice of Appeal against **the decision and severity of the penalty** was lodged on Wednesday, 29 June 2011.

A stay of proceedings was granted effective until midnight on Sunday, 3 July 2011.

DECISION: **Appeal dismissed.**

Taking into account the stay of proceedings the period of suspension will now expire at midnight on Saturday, 23 July 2011.

**TRANSCRIPT OF
PROCEEDINGS**

RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

**HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.P.L. LEWIS, Chairman
MR J. ROSENTHAL
MR R. TAYLOR**

EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS

DECISION

**IN THE MATTER OF THE VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
HANDICAP OVER 1200 METRES AT FLEMINGTON ON 7 MAY 2011**

JOCKEY: JACK HILL

MELBOURNE

MONDAY, 4 JULY 2011

MR R. CRAM appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards

MR D. O'KEEFFE appeared on behalf of the Appellant

CHAIRMAN: In this appeal, the Stewards have satisfied the Board that a reasonable rider in the position of the Appellant had an obligation to straighten his mount and had sufficient time to do so, but failed in that regard. Accordingly, the appeal against conviction is dismissed.

Mr O'Keeffe, having conceded that the penalty was appropriate, the appeal against penalty is also dismissed. Since there was a stay of four days, the date of expiration of the suspension will now be 23 July 2011.

END OF EXTRACT