

## Rangiora HRC 23 May 2021 - R 1 - Chair, Mr R McKenzie

**Rules:**

[869\(2\)& Whip & Rein Regulations](#)

**Name(s):**

C M Wigg  
Licensed Advanced Amateur Driver

**Charge:**

**Facts:**

admitted

Following the running of Race 1, NZ Amateur Drivers Championship Heat 3 Mobile Pace, an Information was filed by Stipendiary Steward, Mr P Williams, against Licensed Advanced Amateur Driver, Ms C M Wigg, alleging that, as the Driver of FLAMBOYANT in the race, she “used her whip with more than a wrist flicking motion in the home straight”.

Ms Wigg had signed the Statement by the Respondent on the Information form indicating that she admitted the breach. She confirmed this at the hearing at, which she was present.

The Whip and Rein Regulations provide as follows:

*3.1 A driver may only apply the whip in a wrist only flicking motion whilst holding a rein in each hand with the tip of the whip pointed forward in an action which does not engage the shoulder.*

*3.3 A driver shall not use a whip in an unapproved manner.*

*3.4 For the purposes of Clause 3.3 a driver shall be deemed to have used the whip in an unapproved manner in the following circumstances which are not exclusive:*

*3.4.1 If the whip is applied other than as permitted in clause 3.1.*

Mr Williams showed a video replay of the final 200-300 metres of the race. He pointed out FLAMBOYANT, driven by Ms Wigg, improving 3-wide near the lead as the field entered the home straight. He said that it was the Stewards’ contention that Ms Wigg, from that point, used her whip in more than a wrist only flicking motion and in a forceful manner on at least eight occasions to the finishing line.

Ms Wigg said that she needed to “sort out” her whip use.

**Decision:**

Ms Wigg having admitted the charge, it was found proved.