

Inquiry Report – Ismail Toker

Date of Inquiry: 24 March 2025

Stewards Panel: Mr M Castillo (Chair), Mr N Finnigan, Ms E Morris-Smith

Respondent: Mr I Toker

Rule: Australian Rule of Racing 139 (1) (a)

Plea: Guilty

On Monday 24 March 2025 Tasracing Integrity Unit Stewards inquired into the circumstances surrounding a urine sample taken from Jockey Ismail Toker on 9 February 2025 at Elwick Racecourse, testing positive to 11-nor-delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol-9-carboxylic acid, above the permitted threshold.

After considering the evidence, Stewards issued a charge under provisions of Rule 139 (1) (a) which reads:

AR 139 - Offences where riders use banned substances.

- (1) A rider breaches these Australian Rules if:
- (a) a banned substance under AR 136 (1) is detected in a sample taken from the rider.

Mr. Toker pleaded guilty to the charge.

After considering submissions from Mr. Toker on penalty, and taking into consideration his forthright evidence, good record and guilty plea, Stewards suspended I Toker's license to ride in races for a period of 3 months. Mr. Toker was reminded of his rights of appeal.

Decision Date: 24th March 2025