

Stewards Decision

Tasracing Integrity Unit

and

Hayley McCarthy

Date of Decision	24 th September 2026
Decision Makers	Mr. T.T. Styles, Mr. A.D Hyde
Respondent	Ms. Hayley McCarthy
Rule	AR232(b): A person must not (b) fail or refuse to comply with an order, direction or requirement of the Stewards or an official.
Plea	Reserved
Finding	Guilty
Penalty	Fine of \$250
Summary of Facts	1. Ms. McCarthy was at all relevant times a Tasracing Licensed Jockey and as such a person bound by the Australian Rules of Racing. 2. On 27th August 2026, Tasracing Integrity Unit Stewards received an incident report from Track Stewards that were on duty at the Longford training facility on 25th August 2026. 3. The report alleged that Ms. McCarthy had given the incorrect name of the trainer of the horse she was riding multiple times when asked for this information by the Track Steward. 4. On 24th September 2026, Ms. McCarthy reserved her plea to a charge pursuant to AR 232(b) A person must not (b) fail or refuse to comply with an order, direction or requirement of the Stewards or an official.

5. After considering all evidence Stewards found Ms. McCarthy guilty of breaching AR 232(b).
6. The specifics of the charge were that Ms. McCarthy was a licensed person at the Longford Training Facility on 25th August 2026 and when the Track Steward made a request for the name of the trainer of the horse she was riding onto the track, she did not immediately comply with this request.
7. Stewards fined Ms. McCarthy \$250 for the breach of AR232(b).

Penalty Discussion

In arriving at a penalty, the Decision Makers considered all available evidence, including but not limited to:

- Ms. McCarthy's Reserved Plea.
- Ms. McCarthy's clean record in relation to similar breaches.
- The nature of the offence and the upmost importance of following the directions of Stewards and officials.
- That any penalty should be a deterrent both general and specific.

Ms. McCarthy was advised of her rights to appeal the Stewards decision.