



New Mexico Racing Commission
4900 Alameda NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: 2017-SUN-18
Track Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 1/7/2017

Licensee: ORONA, SR MARTIN RODRIGUEZ
License Type: 2016 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 19384
Date of Birth: 09/28/1956 License Number: 284004

Ruling # 2017-SUN-18
Action Type: Initial Ruling
Ruling:

Trainer **Martin Orona Sr.** having been duly notified and having appeared with translator **Victor Alba** before the Board of Stewards, on **January 7, 2017**, regarding a lab report from UC/Davis (official testing laboratory for the NMRC). The report confirmed an overage for the therapeutic (class 4 penalty C) drug Methylprednisolone found in sample # **NM24994** taken from the horse "**C.P Prado**", who finished **2nd place in the 3rd race on September 5, 2016 at Ruidoso Downs in Ruidoso, NM**. The concentration of Methylprednisolone was **1,383 pg/ml in the blood** (which exceeds the authorized medication limit of 100 pg/ml in the blood) and confirmed in the split sample at a level of **1,250 pg/ml in the blood sent to Industrial Laboratories on November 21, 2016**.

Lorenzo Alba, the owner of record for horse "**C.P Prado**", was duly notified and was present with translator **Victor Alba** for this hearing. Pursuant to rules **15.2.6.9 C**, **this is Mr. Alba's FIRST Class 4 Category C medication in a 365 day period**.

(Aggravating circumstances: A very high level of Methylprednisolone was found in sample.)
Considering the **aggravating circumstances**, for this **FIRST Class 4 Category C medication violation in a past 365 day period** the Board of Steward assess **Martin Orona Sr.** a penalty of:

1. A fine in the amount of **one thousand five hundred dollars (\$ 1,500.00)**. This fine is to paid on or before **February 7, 2017**, in accordance with 15.2.3.8(B)(3) NMAC. Failure to pay this fine within the time prescribed may result in an immediate suspension.
2. The horse, "**C.P Prado**", must pass a commission-approved examination, which includes a negative blood and urine test, before being eligible to run

Licensee is found to be in violation of:

15.2.6.9(C)(1-2-3) NMAC: Which states that "A finding by the Commission approved laboratory of a prohibited drug, chemical or other substance in a test specimen of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited drug, chemical or other substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race (b) therapeutic medications in excess of established acceptable levels".
15.2.6.9 C. PENALTY RECOMMENDATIONS:(3) Category C penalties will be assessed for violations due to the presence of a drug carrying a category C penalty and overages for NSAID's and furosemide (all concentrations are for measurements in serum or plasma). Recommended penalties for category C violations, overages for permitted NSAID's and furosemide are as follows: for Methylprednisolone is 100 pg/ml in the blood
• TRAINER 1st offense in a Class C category (365-day period) in any jurisdiction in the following levels, the penalty is a minimum fine of \$1,000
• OWNER 1st offense (365-day period) in any jurisdiction in the following levels, the penalty is the horse may be required to pass a commission-approved examination before being eligible to run:

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.6.9 A. (4) UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION GUIDELINES Class 4/ 15.2.6.11(A) NMAC: Trainer Responsibility/ 16.47.1.10(B)(1) NMAC: Absolute Insurer/ 15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action/ 15.2.3.8 B (1)(d) Stewards General Authority/ 16.47.1.8. T. KNOWLEDGE OF RULES/ 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority 16.47.1.8 (A)(1)(2) License Required/ 16.47.1.8(N) Last Known Address. 15.2.1.9(b): Which states in pertinent part that "An appeal under this section must be filed not later than 10 days after the date of the ruling. If the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the period is extended to include the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. The appeal must be received by noon, at the main commission offices or with the stewards who issued the ruling and must be accompanied by a fee in the amount of \$500. The fee must be in the form of cash, a cashier's check, money order or personal check."

[Handwritten signatures: Jill Cash, Ron Walker, Amber...]



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Ruling #: 2017-SUN-19
Track: Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 1/7/2017

Licensee: ALBA, LORENZO

License Type: 2016 3 Year Owner Applicant Id: 9278
Date of Birth: 08/10/1943 License Number: 284174

Ruling # 2017-SUN-19

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner Lorenzo Alba having been duly notified and having appeared with translator Victor Alba before the Board of Stewards, on January 7, 2017, regarding a lab report from UC/Davis (official testing laboratory for the NMRC). The report confirmed an overage for the therapeutic (class 4 penalty C) drug Methylprednisolone found in sample # NM24994 taken from the horse "C.P Prado", who finished 2nd place in the 3rd race on September 5, 2016 at Ruidoso Downs in Ruidoso, NM. The concentration of Methylprednisolone was 1,383 pg/ml in the blood (which exceeds the authorized medication limit of 100 pg/ml in the blood) and confirmed in the split sample at a level of 1,250 pg/ml in the blood sent to Industrial Laboratories on November 21, 2016.

Martin Orona Sr., the trainer of record for horse "C.P Prado", was duly notified and was present with translator Victor Alba for this hearing. Pursuant to rules 15.2.6.9 C, this is Mr. Orona's FIRST Class 4 Category C medication in a 365 day period.

(Aggravating circumstances: A very high level of Methylprednisolone was found in sample.)

Considering the aggravating circumstances, for this FIRST Class 4 Category C medication violation in a past 365 day period the Board of Steward assess Lorenzo Alba a penalty of:

1. The horse, "C.P Prado", must pass a commission-approved examination, which includes a negative blood and urine test, before being eligible to run

Licensee is found to be in violation of:

15.2.6.9(C)(1-2-3) NMAC: Which states that "A finding by the Commission approved laboratory of a prohibited drug, chemical or other substance in a test specimen of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited drug, chemical or other substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race (b) therapeutic medications in excess of established acceptable levels".

15.2.6.9 C. PENALTY RECOMMENDATIONS:(3) Category C penalties will be assessed for violations due to the presence of a drug carrying a category C penalty and overages for NSAID's and furosemide (all concentrations are for measurements in serum or plasma). Recommended penalties for category C violations, overages for permitted NSAID's and furosemide are as follows: for Methylprednisolone is 100 pg/ml in the blood. OWNER 1st offense (365-day period) in any jurisdiction in the following levels, the penalty is the horse may be required to pass a commission-approved examination before being eligible to run.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.6.9 A. (4) UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION GUIDELINES Class 4/ 15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action/ 15.2.3.8 B (1) (d) Stewards General Authority/ 16.47.1.8. T. KNOWLEDGE OF RULES/ 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority/ 16.47.1.8 (A)(1)(2) License Required/ 16.47.1.8(N) Last Known Address

15.2.1.9(b): Which states in pertinent part that "An appeal under this section must be filed not later than 10 days after the date of the ruling. If the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the period is extended to include the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. The appeal must be received by noon, at the main commission offices or with the stewards who issued the ruling and must be accompanied by a fee in the amount of \$500. The fee must be in the form of cash, a cashier's check, money order or personal check."



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Ruling #: 2017-SUN-20
Track Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 1/14/2017

Licensee: BARAJAS, MARIA C
License Type: 2016 1 Year Owner Applicant Id: 159059
Date of Birth: 04/10/1979 License Number: 282942

Ruling # 2017-SUN-20

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner **Maria Barajas** having been duly notified, having failed to appear, and had **her** hearing held in absentia before the Board of Stewards on **January 13, 2017, at Sunland Park Racetrack** concerning an **outstanding financial obligation to IV/Picks Vet Services in the amount of \$1,685.68 for services rendered.**

The Board of Stewards order that any/all New Mexico Racing Commission licenses issued to **Maria Barajas** be suspended and that he be deemed ineligible for any future licensing in New Mexico until such time that full payment is made to **IV/Picks Vet Services in the amount of \$1,685.68.**

Licensee is found in Violation of:

16.47.1.8 I (1) NMAC: Grounds For Refusal, Denial, Suspension, or Revocation of License

16.47.1.8 L NMAC: Financial Responsibility

This ruling in written in accordance with:

15.2.1.9(B)(4)(d) Non appearance of a summoned party

15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B (1) (d) Stewards General Authority

16.47.1.8. T. KNOWLEDGE OF RULES:

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 (A)(1) License Required

16.47.1.8 (A)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8(N) Last Known Address

15.2.1.9(b):

Which states in pertinent part that "An appeal under this section must be filed not later than 10 days after the date of the ruling. If the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the period is extended to include the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. The appeal must be received by noon, at the main commission offices or with the stewards who issued the ruling and must be accompanied by a fee in the amount of \$500. The fee must be in the form of cash, a cashier's check, money order or personal check."

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Ruling #: 2017-SUN-21
Track: Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 1/14/2017

Licensee: JACKSON, DONALD WAYNE
License Type: Applicant Id: 157691
Date of Birth: 01/03/1952 License Number:

Ruling # 2017-SUN-21

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner **Donald Jackson** having been duly notified, having failed to appear, and had **his** hearing held in absentia before the Board of Stewards on **January 13, 2017, at Sunland Park Racetrack** concerning an **outstanding financial obligation to IV/Picks Vet Services in the amount of \$1,673.91 for services rendered.**

The Board of Stewards order that any/all New Mexico Racing Commission licenses issued to **Donald Jackson** be suspended and that he be deemed ineligible for any future licensing in New Mexico until such time that full payment is made to **IV/Picks Vet Services in the amount of \$1,673.91.**

Licensee is found in Violation of:

16.47.1.8 I (1) NMAC: Grounds For Refusal, Denial, Suspension, or Revocation of License
16.47.1.8 L NMAC: Financial Responsibility

This ruling in written in accordance with:

15.2.1.9(B)(4)(d) Non appearance of a summoned party

15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B (1) (d) Stewards General Authority

16.47.1.8. T. KNOWLEDGE OF RULES:

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 (A)(1) License Required

16.47.1.8 (A)(2) License Required

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Ruling #: 2017-SUN-22
Track Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 1/14/2017

Licensee: MONTOYA-DUARTE, ABEL
License Type: Applicant Id: 66119
Date of Birth: 11/29/1983 License Number:

Ruling # 2017-SUN-22

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner Abel Montoya having been duly notified, having failed to appear, and had his hearing held in absentia before the Board of Stewards on January 13, 2017, at Sunland Park Racetrack concerning an outstanding financial obligation to IV/Picks Vet Services in the amount of \$549.60 for services rendered.

The Board of Stewards order that any/all New Mexico Racing Commission licenses issued to Abel Montoya remain suspended and that he be deemed ineligible for any future licensing in New Mexico until such time that full payment is made to IV/Picks Vet Services in the amount of \$549.60.

Licensee is found in Violation of:

16.47.1.8 I (1) NMAC: Grounds For Refusal, Denial, Suspension, or Revocation of License
16.47.1.8 L NMAC: Financial Responsibility

This ruling in written in accordance with:

15.2.1.9(B)(4)(d) Non appearance of a summoned party
15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action
15.2.3.8 B (1) (d) Stewards General Authority
16.47.1.8. T. KNOWLEDGE OF RULES:
16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
16.47.1.8 (A)(1) License Required
16.47.1.8 (A)(2) License Required
16.47.1.8(N) Last Known Address

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Appeal Filing Deadline: 15.2.1.9(B) (9) (b) NMAC: Which states in pertinent part that "An appeal under this section must be filed not later than 10 days from the date of the ruling. The appeal must be filed at the main Commission offices, or with the Stewards who issued the ruling.



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Licensee: GONZALEZ, LINDSAY G.
License Type: 2015 3 Year Owner Applicant Id: 19809
Date of Birth: 03/13/1989 License Number: 246665

Ruling # 2017-SUN-23

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner **Lindsay Gonzales** having been duly notified, having failed to appear, and had **her** hearing held in absentia before the Board of Stewards on **January 13, 2017, at Sunland Park Racetrack** concerning an **outstanding financial obligation to IV/Picks Vet Services in the amount of \$1,924.24 for services rendered.**

The Board of Stewards order that any/all New Mexico Racing Commission licenses issued to **Lindsay Gonzales** be suspended and that he be deemed ineligible for any future licensing in New Mexico until such time that full payment is made to **IV/Picks Vet Services in the amount of \$1,924.24.**

Licensee is found in Violation of:

- 16.47.1.8 I (1) NMAC: Grounds For Refusal, Denial, Suspension, or Revocation of License**
- 16.47.1.8 L NMAC: Financial Responsibility**

This ruling in written in accordance with:

- 15.2.1.9(B)(4)(d) Non appearance of a summoned party**
- 15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action**
- 15.2.3.8 B (1) (d) Stewards General Authority**
- 16.47.1.8. T KNOWLEDGE OF RULES:**
 - 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority**
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Ruling #: 2017-SUN-24
Track Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 1/14/2017

Licensee: MERRICK, JOE DALE
License Type: 2015 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 5723
Date of Birth: 02/02/1957 License Number: 279497

Ruling # 2017-SUN-24

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer **Joe D. Merrick** having waived his right to a 10 day notice and a formal hearing before the Board of Stewards on **January 10, 2016**, for failing to have the owner licensed for entry "**GOLD LINE EXPRESS**", which resulted in a late scratch out of **the 5th race on January 8, 2017, at Sunland Park Racetrack.**

For this violation, the Board of Stewards assessed **Joe D. Merrick** a fine in the amount of **two hundred dollars (\$200.00)**. The fine is to be paid on or before **February 14, 2017**, in accordance with 15.2.3.8 (B)(3)(8) NMAC. Failure to pay the fine within the time prescribed may result in immediate suspension

Licensee is found to be in violation of:

15.2.5.12(X) NMAC: Which states in pertinent part "A horse shall be ineligible to start in a race when its Owner, Lessor, and/or Trainer have not completed the licensing procedures required by the Commission".

16.47.1.10 (B)(17) NMAC: Which states in pertinent part "The Trainer is responsible for representing an Owner in making entries and scratches, and in all other matters pertaining to racing; horses entered as to eligibility and weight or other allowances claimed".

This ruling is written in accordance with:

- 15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action
- 15.2.3.8 B (1) (d) Stewards General Authority
- 16.47.1.8. T. KNOWLEDGE OF RULES:
- 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
- 16.47.1.8 (A)(1) License Required
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Appeal Filing Deadline: 15.2.1.9(B) (9) (b) NMAC: Which states in pertinent part that "An appeal under this section must be filed not later than 10 days from the date of the ruling. The appeal must be filed at the main Commission offices, or with the Stewards who issued the ruling.



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Ruling #: 2017-SUN-25
Track: Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 1/14/2017

Licensee: GOMEZ, ALFREDO MORRIS
License Type: 2016 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 14091
Date of Birth: 11/01/1975 License Number: 283239

Ruling # 2017-SUN-25
Action Type: Initial Ruling
Ruling:

Trainer Alfredo Gomez having been duly notified, having failed to appear, and had his hearing held in absentia before the Board of Stewards on **January 6, 2017**, for failure to declare equipment (**Flipping Halter Off**) at time of entry for **“FLYIN SMOAK”**, entered in **the 7th race on December 4, 2016 at Zia Park.**

For this rule violation, the Board of Stewards assessed **Alfredo Gomez** a penalty in the amount of **one hundred dollars (\$ 100.00)**. The fine is to paid on or before **February 14, 3017**, in accordance with 15.2.3.8(B)(3)(l) NMAC. Failure to pay the fine within the time prescribed may result in immediate suspension.

Licensee is found to be in violation of:

15.2.5.8 (B10) Procedure For Entries

15.2.1.9(B)(4)(d) Nonappearance of a summoned party after adequate notice shall be construed as a waiver of the right to a hearing before the stewards. The stewards may suspend the license of a person who fails to appear at a disciplinary hearing after written notice of the hearing has been sent, in compliance with this subsection.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

- 15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action
- 15.2.3.8 B (1) (d) Stewards General Authority
- 16.47.1.8. T. KNOWLEDGE OF RULES:
- 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
- 16.47.1.8 (A)(1) License Required
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