



New Mexico Racing Commission
4900 Alameda NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: **2023-RUI-9**
Track: Ruidoso Downs
Ruling Date: 6/3/2023

Licensee: DE LA CRUZ, VILMA IRIS
License Type: 2022 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 22006
License Number: 306065

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Action Type: Case Continued
Ruling:

RE: 2023-RUI-9 - Case Continued on 6/11/23

Trainer, Vilma De La Cruz having been duly notified, appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards for her summary suspension hearing in the office of the Board of Stewards at Ruidoso Downs Racetrack (26225 US Highway 70, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346) on Sunday, June 11, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., per 15.2.1.9 (B)(3)(b) Summary Suspension. This summary suspension hearing was regarding Vilma De La Cruz being found in possession of a hypodermic needle and syringe, containing an unknown injectable substance, in her vehicle in the barn area on June 3, 2023. Due to the laboratory results of the unknown injectable substance not being available at this time, and after deliberation, taking into consideration all information presented, the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards hereby continue Mrs. De La Cruz's summary suspension until the completion of her final disciplinary hearing.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 (C)(21), Vilma De La Cruz is hereby excluded from all areas of the grounds under the jurisdiction of the NMRC. Additionally, effective upon applicable suspension dates, all horses owned, trained, or under the care of Vilma De La Cruz are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 (C)(21)(c). All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Vilma De La Cruz must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9a(12)(A)(B) Medication and Prohibited Substances,

NMAC 15.2.1.9(B)(3)(b) Proceedings Before the Stewards: Summary Suspension A licensee whose license has been summarily suspended is entitled to a hearing on the summary suspension not later than the 10th day after the license was summarily suspended. The licensee may waive their right to a hearing on the summary suspension within the 10-day limit.

16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(i) Grounds for disciplinary measures for a licensee, and refusal, denial, suspension, or revocation of a license: (1)

15.2.1.9(B)(8)(B) Due Process and Disciplinary Action.

15.2.1.9(B)(3)(a) Proceedings Before the Stewards:

15.2.1.8(B)(1) COMMISSION GENERAL AUTHORITY/15.2.3.8 B (3)(a)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action/15.2.3.8 B (1) (a)(c)(d) Stewards General Authority/16.47.1.8 (T)

15.2.6.9 NMAC. Penalty Recommendations

KNOWLEDGE OF RULES /16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 (A)(1)(2) License Required /16.47.1.8(N) Changes in Application in.



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15.2.1.9 DUE PROCESS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

B. Proceedings before the stewards: (3) Summary suspension.

16.47.1.8 GENERAL PROVISIONS:

L. Grounds for disciplinary measures for a licensee, and refusal, denial, suspension, or revocation of a license:

U. Protection of horses:

15.2.1.9(B)(9)(B): APPEAL PROCEDURES, which states "An appeal under this section must be filed not later than 10 days after the day of the ruling. If the deadline falls on a Sunday or a legal holiday, the period is extended to 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 \$400.00 dollars. The fee must be in the form of a cashier's check or a money order. **The last day to file an appeal is June 21, 2023.**

By Order of The Ruidoso Downs Stewards