



New Mexico Racing Commission  
4900 Alameda NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: 2023-DAA-11  
Track Downs at Albuquerque  
Ruling Date: 9/7/2023

Licensee: CHAVEZ, ARTURO  
License Type: 2021 3 Year Trainer  
Applicant Id: 23940  
License Number: 303212

Ruling # 2023-DAA-11

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Arturo Chavez having been duly notified and having waived his 10-day notice and formal hearing before the Board of Stewards on September 6, 2023, for failing to be present in the paddock to saddle his horse "Big Daddys Dream" in the 3rd race on September 4, 2023, at Ruidoso Downs Racetrack.

**16.47.1.10 TRAINERS: C. Other responsibility: (23)** personally attending to their horses in the paddock and supervising the saddling thereof, unless excused by the stewards; if the trainer is excused, the trainer must secure another trainer or assistant trainer who is licensed by the commission to assume those duties.

The Board of Stewards hereby assesses penalty as follows:

1. A fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) which must be paid on or before October 6, 2023.

*Licensee is found to be in violation of and this ruling is written in accordance with*

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. **Last day to file is September 17, 2023.**

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B (3)(A) 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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Ruling #: 2023-DAA-12  
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Ruling Date: 9/8/2023

Licensee: CHAVEZ, JOSE F

License Type: 2021 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 33397  
License Number: 302328

Ruling # 2023-DAA-12

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Jose Chavez, having been summoned and appeared before the Board of Stewards on September 8, 2023, for **excessive use of whip**, while aboard "Woody Valentin" in the 3rd Race **September 7, 2023**, at Downs at Albuquerque, is found to be in violation of Commission rules.

For this violation (first offense), the Board of Stewards assessed Jockey Jose Chavez, a fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. **(\$500.00)**. This fine is to be paid on or before **October 8, 2023**, in accordance with **15.2.3.8 (B)(3)(I)**. Failure to pay the fine within the time prescribed shall result in immediate suspension.

Licensee is found to be in violation of:

**15.2.5.13(E)(6)(A) Use of riding crops.** Although the use of a riding crop is not required, any jockey who uses a riding crop during a race shall do so only in a manner consistent with exerting his or her best efforts to win.

**15.2.5.13(E)(6)(c) Use of riding crops.** Indiscriminate use of the whip is prohibited including whipping a horse; on the head, flanks or on any other part of its body other than the shoulders or hind quarters except when necessary to control a horse; during the post parade or after the finish of the race except when necessary to control the horse; excessively or brutally causing welts or breaks in the skin; when the horse is clearly out of the race or has obtained its maximum placing; persistently even though the horse is showing no response under the riding crop; or striking another rider or horse.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

**15.2.1.9(B)(4)(A)NMAC** Notice Except as provided by these rules regarding summary suspension, jockey riding infractions and trial races, the stewards or a racing commission designee shall provide written notice, at least 10 days before the hearing, to a person who is the subject of a disciplinary hearing. The person may waive their right to 10 days notice by executing a written waiver.

**15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action**

**15.2.3.8 B (3)(A) Stewards Disciplinary Action**

**15.2.3.8 B (1) (d) Stewards General Authority**

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**16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority**

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**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 \$400. The fee must be in the form of a cashier's check, money order." **The last day to file an appeal is September 18, 2023.**

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Ruling #: 2023-DAA-13  
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Ruling Date: 9/8/2023

Licensee: GOMEZ, REYES MANUEL  
License Type: 2023 1 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 86400  
License Number: 309713

Ruling # 2023-DAA-13

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Reyes Gomez, having been summoned and appeared before the Board of Stewards on September 8, 2023, for **excessive use of whip**, while aboard "Queen of the Jingle" in the 7th Race **September 2, 2023**, at Downs at Albuquerque, is found to be in violation of Commission rules.

For this violation (first offense), the Board of Stewards assessed Jockey Reyes Gomez, a fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. **(\$500.00)**. This fine is to be paid on or before **October 8, 2023**, in accordance with **15.2.3.8 (B)(3)(I)**. Failure to pay the fine within the time prescribed shall result in immediate suspension.

Licensee is found to be in violation of:

**15.2.5.13(E)(6)(A) Use of riding crops.** Although the use of a riding crop is not required, any jockey who uses a riding crop during a race shall do so only in a manner consistent with exerting his or her best efforts to win.

**15.2.5.13(E)(6)(e) Use of riding crops.** Indiscriminate use of the whip is prohibited including whipping a horse: on the head, flanks or on any other part of its body other than the shoulders or hind quarters except when necessary to control a horse; during the post parade or after the finish of the race except when necessary to control the horse; excessively or brutally causing welts or breaks in the skin; when the horse is clearly out of the race or has obtained its maximum placing; persistently even though the horse is showing no response under the riding crop; or striking another rider or horse.

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Ruling #: 2023-DAA-15  
Track Downs at Albuquerque  
Ruling Date: 9/9/2023

Licensee: MARTINEZ, LUIS MARIO  
License Type: 2020 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 161541  
License Number: 300000

Ruling # 2023-DAA-15

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey, Luis Martinez, having been summoned and having appeared before the Board of Stewards on September 9, 2023, for careless riding during the running of the 6th race on September 8, 2023, at The Downs at Albuquerque, while aboard "Fire of the Dragon". (Bore out shortly after the start in to the path of #7 Mamacita Jj, causing #7 to check.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards assessed Luis Martinez a 3-day racing suspension, September 12th, September 20th, and September 21, 2023. Luis Martinez may ride in designated races.

Licensee is found in violation of:

**15.2.5.13(E)(2)(a) NMAC: Post to Finish** Which states in pertinent part that "A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit his/her mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race."

**15.2.5.13(E)(3)(a) NMAC:** Which states in pertinent part that "When the way is clear in a race, a horse may be ridden to any part of the course, but if any horse swerves, or is ridden to either side, so as to interfere with, impede, or intimidate any other horse, it is a foul."

This ruling is written in accordance with:

**15.2.5.13(E)(3)(c) NMAC: Post to Finish** Which states in pertinent part that "If the Stewards determine the foul was intentional, or due to careless riding, they may fine or suspend the guilty jockey."

**15.2.1.9(B)(4)(A) Notice of Hearing for Jockeys**

**15.2.3.8 B (3)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action**

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Ruling #: 2023-DAA-16  
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Ruling Date: 9/9/2023

Licensee: VAZQUEZ, JOSE MIGUEL  
License Type: 2022 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 163933  
License Number: 306400

Ruling # 2023-DAA-16

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey, Jose Vazquez, having been summoned and having appeared before the Board of Stewards on September 9, 2023, for careless riding during the running of the 4th race on September 8, 2023, at The Downs at Albuquerque, while aboard "Our Island Girl". (Drifted in down the stretch, into the path of #2 Artful Rose, causing #2 to check and alter course causing a better placement. Our Island was DQ from 1st and placed 2nd.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards assessed Jose Vazquez a 3-day racing suspension, September 16th, September 17th, and September 20, 2023. Jose Vazquez may ride in designated races.

Licensee is found in violation of:

15.2.5.13(E)(2)(a) NMAC: Post to Finish Which states in pertinent part that "A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit his/her mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race."

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