



New Mexico Racing Commission
4900 Alameda NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: **2024-SUN-50**
Track: Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 2/4/2024

Licensee: **HANCOCK, DAVID L**
License Type: 2024 1 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 165043
License Number: 311413

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RE: 2024-SUN-50 - Case Continued

Trainer, David Hancock, having been duly notified appear before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards, Sunday February 11, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Sunland Park Racetrack (1200 Futurity Drive, Sunland Park, New Mexico.). **Mr. David Hancock** Summary Suspension hearing regarding an incident involving unlicensed help found with a needle and syringe in his barn during pre-race inspection, horses had puncture wounds and blood found on the neck on February 4,2024 at Sunland Park Racetrack.

The Sunland Park Board of Stewards hereby determine **David Hancock**, will remain suspended pending the outcome of his final hearing.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(i) Grounds for disciplinary measures for a licensee, and refusal, denial, suspension, or revocation of a license: (1) The commission may refuse to issue a license to an applicant, or may suspend or revoke a license issued, or order disciplinary measures, if the applicant:

(i) is a person whose conduct or reputation may adversely reflect on the honesty and integrity of horse racing or interfere with the orderly conduct of a race meeting; interfering with the orderly conduct of a race meeting shall include, but is not limited to, disruptive or intemperate behavior or behavior which exposes others to danger anywhere on the racetrack grounds; the fact that the race meet was not actually interrupted is not a defense to the imposition of discipline under this rule;

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 (C)(21), **David Hancock** 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 **David Hancock** 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 **David Hancock** must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9a(12)(A)(B) Medication and Prohibited Substances, 16.47.1.10 (D)(5) Assistant Trainers And 15.2.1.9(B)(8)(B) Due Process and Disciplinary Action.

Licensee is found in violation of, and this ruling is written in accordance with:

16.47.1.8 (U)(1)(2) Protection of Horses

16.47.1.10(B)(1)(2) Absolute Insurer

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15.2.1.9(B)(3)(a) Proceedings Before the Stewards: Summary Suspension If the Stewards determine that a licensee's action constitute an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, the Stewards may summarily suspend the licensee pending a hearing.

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.

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.

15.2.1.9(B)(9)(b): Appeal Procedures 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 cash, a cashier's check or money order. **The last day to file an appeal is February 21, 2024.**

By Order of The Sunland Park Stewards