



New Mexico Racing Commission  
4900 Alameda NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: **2024-SUN-90**  
Track: Sunland Park  
Ruling Date: 3/16/2024

Licensee: **PARGA, JAIME**  
License Type: **2023 1 Year Jockey**      Applicant Id: **30593**  
License Number: **307760**

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Action Type:      Final Outcome

Ruling:

RE: 2024-SUN-90 - Ruling Final Outcome

Jockey Mr. Jaime Parga- Leos having been summarily suspended on March 16, 2024, per ruling 2024-Sun-90. Mr. Parga Leos was properly notified for his disciplinary hearing on April 13, 2024, held before the Board of Stewards at Sunray Park. The hearing was in regard to Mr. Parga-Leos testing positive for cocaine in a field test taken on March 16, 2024, and sample being confirmed by the New Mexico Racing Commission laboratory, Cordant Health Services. See Rulings 2024-SUN-90.

Aggravating Factors:

1. Second offense (see ruling 2017-RUI-150)
2. Admitted during testimony to having used cocaine.

Mitigating factors: None

The following penalties are imposed upon Jaime Parga Leos:

1. A 1-year suspension of all NMRC licenses, retroactive from summary suspension ruling 2024-SUN-90, to run from March 16, 2024, through March 16, 2025, inclusive.
2. Mr. Parga-Leos shall undergo a formal assessment by an accredited New Mexico-based treatment facility dealing with drugs and alcohol addiction with a minimum 60 day in house treatment.
3. Prior to reinstatement, Mr. Parga-Leos must appear before the Board of Stewards with proof of completion of the aforementioned treatment program and supply a negative urinalysis.

This Ruling is written in accordance with:

16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(i) – Which states in pertinent part “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 is a person whose conduct or reputation may reflect on the honesty, and integrity of horse racing” 16.47.1.17 (A)(3) TESTING PROCEDURES No notice need be given as to onset or cessation of random testing. 16.47.1.19(A)(C)(1)(3) ASSESSMENT/TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS GENERAL SECOND-TIME OFFENDERS: 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) 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/ 16.47.1.8(L)(1)(e) Grounds For Disciplinary Measures/ 15.2.1.9(B)(9)(a) Failure to Appeal/ 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, money order or personal check.” Last day to file an appeal is April 23, 2024



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During said time of applicable suspension Jaime Para Leos is hereby excluded from all areas of the under the jurisdiction of the NMSRC, per 15.2.1.9 (C)(21) (a-b) Exclusion,

Licensee is found to be in violation of:

6.47.1.17 (A)(1) TESTING PROCEDURES At its discretion, the commission may conduct random or episodic random drug testing, as well as testing based on reasonable suspicion, in order to ensure safety on the racetrack.

16.47.1.17 (A)(2) TESTING PROCEDURES When conducted, random drug testing shall apply, equally, to all licensees who are, at the time of the random testing, exercising the privileges of their license in such ways as may affect the outcome of a race or diminish the conditions of safety or decorum required in restricted areas.

16.47.1.17 (C)(6) Human Drug Testing/ Restricted Activities It shall be an offense to exercise the privileges granted by a license from this commission if the licensee: refuses to submit to urine or drug testing, when notified that such testing is based on a random drug testing procedure, is based on reasonable suspicion that the person is using drugs or alcohol or is based on the licensee's acting as if in an impaired condition.

16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(i) – CONDUCT Which states in pertinent part "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 is a person whose conduct or reputation may reflect on the honesty, and integrity of horse racing."

16.47.1.8(L)(l) - Grounds for disciplinary measures for a licensee, and refusal, denial, suspension, or revocation of a license: (l) is disrespectful or intimidates any official, commissioner, or commission staff or any other licensee;

During said time of applicable suspension Jaime Parga Leos is hereby excluded from all areas of the grounds under the jurisdiction of the NMSRC, per 15.2.1.9 (C)(21) (a-b) Exclusion.

By Order of The Sunland Park Stewards