



New Mexico Racing Commission
4900 Alameda NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: 2025-SUN-82
Track Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 3/28/2025

Licensee: MARTINEZ, EDWIN ABRAHAM

License Type: 2022 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 46015
License Number: 304092

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Action Type: Modified Ruling
Ruling:
RE: 2025-SUN-82 - Modified Ruling

Owner/Trainer Edwin A. Martinez having appeared for his summary suspension hearing before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards on April 4, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. regarding an incident involving a HIWU inspection which revealed possession of unauthorized paraphernalia/contraband found in his truck in the barn area on Wednesday March 26, 2025, at Sunland Park. After hearing testimony and evidence presented the Sunland Park Board of Stewards determined that Mr. Edwin Martinez shall remain summarily suspended pending the outcome of the HIWU investigation and disciplinary hearing. In accordance with Rule 15.2.1.9 (A)(3)(b) (Summary Suspension).

Edwin Martinez is hereby excluded from all areas of the grounds under the jurisdiction of the NMRC, per 15.2.1.9 (B)(21) (a-b) Exclusion.

Licensee is found in violation of and this ruling is written in accordance with: 15.2.1.9(A)(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(A)(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 **15.2.6.8 (B)(1) TREATMENT RESTRICTIONS:** No person other than a veterinarian licensed to practice veterinary medicine in this jurisdiction and licensed by the commission, or a veterinary assistant licensed by the commission acting under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian, shall possess on any location under the jurisdiction of the commission any of the following unless approved by the commission (a) any drug which is a narcotic, stimulant, or depressant, or any other substance or medication that has been prepared or packaged for injection by a hypodermic syringe, or hypodermic needle **15.2.6.9(H)(1) Medical Labeling** No person on association grounds where horses are lodged or kept, excluding veterinarians licensed by the commission, shall have in or upon association grounds which that person occupies or has the right to occupy, or in that person's personal property or effect or vehicle in that person's care, custody or control, a drug, medication, chemical, foreign substance or other substance that is prohibited in a horse on a race day unless the product is labeled in accordance with this subsection **15.2.6.9(K)(1) Contraband** No person on association grounds where horses are lodged or kept, excluding licensed veterinarians, shall have in that person's care, custody or control, a drug, medication, chemical, foreign substance or 15.2.6 NMAC 12 other substance that is prohibited in a horse on a race day unless the product is labeled in accordance with Subsection H of 15.2.6.9 NMAC. This restriction includes, but is not limited to, locations on the association grounds where that person occupies, in that person's personal property, effects or vehicle. **15.2.6.9 (C)(3)** Except as otherwise provided by this part, a person may not administer or cause to be administered by any means to a horse a prohibited substance, including any restricted medication pursuant to this part during the 24-hour period before post time for the race in which the horse is entered.



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16.47.1.8 (U) Protection of horses: (1) Each person licensed by the commission shall do all that is reasonable and within their power and scope of duty to guard against and prevent the administration of any drug, medication, or other substance, including permissible medication in excess of the maximum allowable level, to any horse entered or to be entered in an official workout or race, as prohibited by these rules. (2) No licensee or other person under the jurisdiction of the commission shall subject or permit any animal under their control, custody or supervision to be subjected to or to incur any form of cruelty, mistreatment, neglect or abuse or abandon, injure, maim or kill or administer any noxious substance to or deprive any animal of necessary care or sustenance, shelter or veterinary care. **16.47.1.8 (E) Consent to Search and Seizure** By acceptance of a license, a licensee consents to search and inspection by the Commission or its agents, and to the seizure of any prohibited medication, drugs, paraphernalia, or devices in accordance **16.47.1.10 (B) Absolute insurer:** (1) The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race and is responsible for the presence of any prohibited drug or medication, or other prohibited substance in such horses. A positive test for a prohibited drug or medication or other prohibited substance or the presence of permitted medication in excess of maximum allowable levels as reported by a commission-approved laboratory is prima facie evidence of a violation of this rule. The trainer is absolutely responsible regardless of the acts of third parties. (2) A trainer must prevent the administration of any drug or medication or other prohibited substance that may cause a violation of these rules. **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)(e) Stewards General Authority/16.47.1.8 (T) KNOWLEDGE OF RULES /16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority.**

NMAC 15.2.6.9 (B) (3) Medications and Prohibited Substances,

NMAC 15.2.6.9 (A) Penalties

NMAC 15.2.6.9 (A)(1)(2)

NMAC 15.2.6.11 (A) Trainer Responsibility, NMAC 16.47.1.8 (U) (1) Protection of Horses, NMAC

16.47.1.10 (B)(1-3) Absolute Insurer

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.9(A)(4)(a) Notice

15.2.1.9 (A)(4)(c) Last Known Address

15.2.3.8 B (3)(a)(e)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B (1)(a)(c)(d)(e) Stewards General Authority

16.47.1.8 (L)(1) Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

16.47.1.8 (A)(1)(2) License Required

By Order of The Sunland Park Stewards