



New Mexico Racing Commission
4900 Alameda NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-12
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/19/2025

Licensee: FINCHER, TODD WYATT

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 27974
License Number: 314693

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-12

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Todd Fincher having been duly notified appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on November 11, 2025, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing, for failure to immediately report the alteration in the sex of the horse "Fort Sumner", and failure to notify the racing office at time of entry that "Fort Sumner" was a gelding, for race #5 on November 10, 2025 at Zia Park.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

16.47.1.10 C. Trainers; Other Responsibility:

(5) A trainer is responsible for: the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

(11) A trainer is responsible for: immediately reporting the alteration in the sex of a horse in their care to the horse identifier and the racing secretary, whose office shall note such alteration on the certificate of registration;

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 3, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (9)(a)(b): Which states in pertinent part that "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 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



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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 or a money order. The last day to file an appeal is November 29, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

Julie Farr



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Ruling #: **2025-ZIA-13**
Track: Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/18/2025

Licensee: **ALVAREZ, SERGIO**

License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 162869
License Number: 309753

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-13

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

The Trainer license of Sergio Alvarez is hereby rescinded without prejudice, having been issued an Assistant Trainer license, as he no longer works in this capacity as of November 10, 2025.

Pursuant to NMAC:

16.47.1.8 M. (2) Duration of License: A license is valid only under the condition that the licensee remains eligible to hold such a license.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8 T. Knowledge of Rules

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

Geoff Wapler

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-14
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/18/2025

Licensee: FARR, JULIE RENEE

License Type: 2025 1 Year Office Pers Applicant Id: 24011
License Number: 314595

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-14

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Julie Renee Farr's Racing Office license is hereby rescinded without prejudice, having been issued a Stewards license, as she no longer works in this capacity as of November 1, 2025.

Pursuant to NMAC:

16.47.1.8 M. (2) Duration of License: A license is valid only under the condition that the licensee remains eligible to hold such a license.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8 T. Knowledge of Rules

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-15
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/18/2025

Licensee: RODRIGUEZ, VICTOR HUGO

License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 32096
License Number: 310356

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-15

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Victor H. Rodriguez-Flores having been duly notified appeared telephonically before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on November 17, 2025, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing, for failure to immediately report the alteration in the sex of the horse "Cash Eye Am", and failure to notify the racing office at time of entry that "Cash Eye Am" was a gelding, for race #8 on November 14, 2025 at Zia Park.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

16.47.1.10 C. Trainers; Other Responsibility:

(5) A trainer is responsible for: the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

(11) A trainer is responsible for: immediately reporting the alteration in the sex of a horse in their care to the horse identifier and the racing secretary, whose office shall note such alteration on the certificate of registration;

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 2, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

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Licensee: RODRIGUEZ, VICTOR HUGO

License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 32096
License Number: 310356

a fee in the amount of \$400. The fee must be in the form of a cashier's check or a money order. The last day to file an appeal is November 28, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-16
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/18/2025

Licensee: GONZALES, III JAMES JULIAN

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 33139
License Number: 312402

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-16

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer James J. Gonzales, III having been duly notified, was represented by his Assistant Trainer, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on November 16, 2025, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing, for failure to immediately report the alteration in the sex of the horse "Gallopín Goose", and failure to notify the racing office at time of entry that "Gallopín Goose" was a gelding, for race #6 on November 15, 2025 at Zia Park.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

16.47.1.10 C. Trainers; Other Responsibility:

(5) A trainer is responsible for: the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

(11) A trainer is responsible for: immediately reporting the alteration in the sex of a horse in their care to the horse identifier and the racing secretary, whose office shall note such alteration on the certificate of registration;

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 2, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

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License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 33139
License Number: 312402

a fee in the amount of \$400. The fee must be in the form of a cashier's check or a money order. The last day to file an appeal is November 28, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-17
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/21/2025

Licensee: MEDELLIN, ALEJANDRO HERRERA
License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 31173
License Number: 314652

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-17

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Alejandro Medellin, having been properly noticed, appeared with an interpreter before the Zia Park Board of Stewards, on November 17, 2025, for careless riding during the running of race 3 on November 16, 2025, while aboard # 6 "Lewie Gotta Go", for steering inward, interfering with #2 "Whiskey Whiskey" and #3 "Apocalyptical Moon" about the 3/8 pole. "Lewie Gotta Go" was disqualified from 3rd place and placed 6th.

Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(a) Post to Finish: A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit their mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race.

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(b) No jockey shall carelessly or willfully jostle, strike or touch another jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment. It shall be the discretion of the stewards to determine if the jostle, strike or touch had an effect on the outcome of the race and warrants a disqualification

15.2.5.13 E (3) Maintaining a straight course:

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(a) 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.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(b) The offending horse may be disqualified, if in the opinion of the stewards, the foul altered the finish of the race, regardless of whether the foul was accidental, willful or the result of careless riding.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(c) If the Stewards determine the foul was intentional, or due to careless riding, they may fine or suspend the guilty jockey.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards issued the following penalty:

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on November 25, 2025, through December 1, 2025 (Inclusive).

Alejandro Medellin may ride in designated races.

16.47.1.12 G. (4)(a)(b)(5)(a)(b)(c)(6) Jockey Suspensions and Designated Races.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required



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Ruling Date: 11/21/2025

Licensee: MEDELLIN, ALEJANDRO HERRERA

License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 31173
License Number: 314652

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A (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 cash, a cashier's check, or money order". The last day to file an appeal is December 1, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

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Ruling #: **2025-ZIA-18**
Track: Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/22/2025

Licensee: ITURRALDE, LUIS DANIEL

License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 33065
License Number: 307714

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-18

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Luis Daniel Iturralde having been properly noticed, responded telephonically before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on November 19, 2025, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing for entering an ineligible horse (insufficient works) for the horse "My Favorite Spirit" in the 1st race on November 15, 2025 at Zia Park, necessitating a scratch.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.11 A. WORKOUTS: Requirements:

(3) Horses that have never raced around the turn will be required to have within 30 days prior to time of entry, at least one workout at 660 yards or farther.

15.2.5.12 A. (6) HORSES INELIGIBLE: A horse shall be ineligible to enter in a race when it lacks sufficient official published workouts or race past performance(s);

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

1. A fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) This fine is to be paid on or before December 5, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

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Ruling #: **2025-ZIA-18**
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/22/2025

Licensee: ITURRALDE, LUIS DANIEL
License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 33065
License Number: 307714

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Geoff Wapler



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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-19
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/22/2025

Licensee: ROMAN, MANUEL CONTRERAS

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 31780
License Number: 314252

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-19

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Mauel Contreras Roman having been properly noticed, appeared telephonically before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on November 19, 2025, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing for entering an ineligible horse (insufficient works) for the horse "Deenamita" in the 4th race on November 15, 2025 at Zia Park, necessitating a scratch.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.11 A. WORKOUTS: Requirements:

(2) Any horse which has started, but not within 60 days, must have at least one workout within 60 days prior to time of entry. Horses that have not started within six months of entry must have at least two approved workouts within the 60 days prior to time of entry.

15.2.5.12 A. (6) HORSES INELIGIBLE: A horse shall be ineligible to enter in a race when it lacks sufficient official published workouts or race past performance(s);

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

1. A fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) This fine is to be paid on or before December 5, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

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Ruling #: **2025-ZIA-19**
Track: Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/22/2025

Licensee: ROMAN, MANUEL CONTRERAS

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 31780
License Number: 314252

order. The last day to file an appeal is December 1, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

Julie Farr

Geoff Wapler



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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-20
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/22/2025

Licensee: HONESTO, JULIAN REY

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 160462
License Number: 316834

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-20

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Julian Rey Honesto is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, November 22, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled for November 30, 2025, at 5:45 P.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Mullen Drive, Hobbs, NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 2, 2025, for first place finisher "Easy Winner" from race 5 at Zia Park.

Sample E549239 tested positive for the drug Tulobuterol (Class 1 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on November 21, 2025, reported the presence of Tulobuterol confirmed in blood.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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.

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition



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Licensee: **HONESTO, JULIAN REY**

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 160462
License Number: 316834

of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:
(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions: A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A. Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or



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Licensee: **HONESTO, JULIAN REY**

License Type: **2025 3 Year Trainer** Applicant Id: **160462**
License Number: **316834**

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E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Julian Rey Honesto 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 Julian Rey Honesto are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 A.(8)(b) and 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c).

NMSA 1978, Section 60-1A-4 (A)(2) provides "The commission may exclude or compel the exclusion of a person from all horse racetracks who the commission deems detrimental to the best interest of horseracing..."

All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Julian Rey Honesto must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and Prohibited Substances and 16.47.1.10 D. (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion
15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
15.2.6.11 Trainer Responsibility
16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
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16.47.1.8 U. Protection of Horses
16.47.1.10 B. Absolute Insurer
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By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

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Ruling #: **2025-ZIA-20**
Track: Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/22/2025

Licensee: **HONESTO, JULIAN REY**

License Type: 2024 1 Year Owner Applicant Id: 160462
License Number: 314011

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-20

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Julian Rey Honesto is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, November 22, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled for November 30, 2025, at 5:45 P.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Mullen Drive, Hobbs, NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 2, 2025, for first place finisher "Easy Winner" from race 5 at Zia Park.

Sample E549239 tested positive for the drug Tulobuterol (Class 1 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on November 21, 2025, reported the presence of Tulobuterol confirmed in blood.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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.

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition



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License Number: **314011**

of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:
(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions; A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A. Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or



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race...

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Julian Rey Honesto 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 Julian Rey Honesto are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 A.(8)(b) and 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c).

NMSA 1978, Section 60-1A-4 (A)(2) provides "The commission may exclude or compel the exclusion of a person from all horse racetracks who the commission deems detrimental to the best interest of horseracing..."

All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Julian Rey Honesto must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and Prohibited Substances and 16.47.1.10 D. (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion
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16.47.1.8 U. Protection of Horses
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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-21
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/22/2025

Licensee: HONESTO, JOE LOUIS

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 10244
License Number: 314348

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-21

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Joe Louis Honesto is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, November 22, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled for November 30, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Mullen Drive, Hobbs, NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A. (3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on October 24, 2025, for first place finisher "Tellers Stray Love" from race 7 at The Downs At Albuquerque.

Sample E656248 tested positive for the drug Tulobuterol (Class 1 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on November 21, 2025, reported the presence of Tulobuterol confirmed in blood.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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.

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:



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(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions; A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A. Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race...

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List



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(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Joe Louis Honesto 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 Joe Louis Honesto are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 A.(8)(b) and 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c).

NMSA 1978, Section 60-1A-4 (A)(2) provides "The commission may exclude or compel the exclusion of a person from all horse racetracks who the commission deems detrimental to the best interest of horseracing..."

All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Joe Louis Honesto must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and Prohibited Substances and 16.47.1.10 D. (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-22
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/25/2025

Licensee: ORTIZ, JOSE ENRIQUE

License Type: 2025 1 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 35364
License Number: 317463

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-22

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Jose Enrique Ortiz having been duly notified, responded telephonically and waived his 10-day notice and formal disciplinary hearing, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on November 24, 2025, regarding using a crop that does not meet specifications while aboard #1 "Sonny Surfer" in race 6 at Zia Park on November 23, 2025.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:
15.2.5.13 A. (1)(a)(b) Equipment

(1) All riding crops are subject to inspection and approval by the stewards and the clerk of scales. This rule will become effective December 10, 2010.

(a) All riding crops shall have a shaft and a flap and will be allowed in flat racing including training. No riding crop shall weigh more than eight ounces nor exceed 30 inches in length, including the flap. No riding crop shall be used unless the shaft is a minimum of three-eighths inch in diameter; and the shaft contact area must be smooth, with no protrusions or raised surface and covered by shock absorbing material that gives a compression factor of at least one-millimeter throughout its circumference.

(b) The flap is the only allowable attachment to the shaft and must meet the following specifications. The length beyond the end of the shaft shall be a maximum of one inch with a minimum width of eight-one hundredths inch and a maximum of one and six-tenths inches. There shall be no reinforcements or additions beyond the end of the shaft. There shall be no binding within seven inches of the end of the shaft and the flap must include shock absorbing characteristics similar to those of the contact area of the shaft.

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) which must be paid on or before December 8, 2025, In accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 (B)(3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to Rule NMAC 15.2.1.9 A. (7) (f) all fines imposed by the stewards shall be paid to the commission within 14 days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:
15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority



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15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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 December 4, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-23
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/25/2025

Licensee: DOMINGUEZ, JAIME

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 16388
License Number: 313157

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-23

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Jaime Dominguez having been duly notified waived his 10-day notice and formal hearing before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on November 23, 2025, for failure to bring his entry #7 "Eye Call the Shots" to the paddock with proper equipment (flipping halter) for race 9 on November 8, 2025, at Zia Park.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.8 B. (6) Procedure for Entries: No alteration may be made in any entry after the closing of entries, but an error may be corrected with permission of the stewards.

15.2.5.8 B. (10) Procedure for Entries: Any approved change of equipment must be declared at time of entry. Any changes after that time must be approved by the stewards.

15.2.6.11E. (11) Trainer Responsibility: The trainer is responsible for ensuring proper bandages, equipment, and shoes.

16.47.1.10 C. Trainers; Other Responsibility (C)(17)(20)

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 8, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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



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check or a money order. The last day to file is December 4, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-24
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/25/2025

Licensee: ARBOLEDA, ALDO ANTONIO

License Type: 2023 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 3791
License Number: 310199

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-24

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Aldo Arboleda, having been properly summoned, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards, on November 25, 2025, for careless riding during the running of race 2 on November 24, 2025, while aboard # 7 "Z Marks The Spot" for drifting out and causing #8 "New Mexico Jeremy" to check. "Z Marks the Spot" was not disqualified.

Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(a) Post to Finish: A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit their mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race.

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(b) No jockey shall carelessly or willfully jostle, strike or touch another jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment. It shall be the discretion of the stewards to determine if the jostle, strike or touch had an effect on the outcome of the race and warrants a disqualification.

15.2.5.13 E (3) Maintaining a straight course:

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(a) 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.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(b) The offending horse may be disqualified, if in the opinion of the stewards, the foul altered the finish of the race, regardless of whether the foul was accidental, willful or the result of careless riding.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(c) If the Stewards determine the foul was intentional, or due to careless riding, they may fine or suspend the guilty jockey.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards issued the following penalty:

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on December 3, 2025, through December 9, 2025 (Inclusive).

Aldo Arboleda may ride in designated races. [Rule 16.47.1.12 G. (2)]



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License Number: 310199

16.47.1.12 G. Jockey Suspensions and Designated Races.
16.47.1.12 G. (4)(a)(b)
16.47.1.12 G. (5)(a)(b)(c)

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action
15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A (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 cash, a cashier's check, or money order". The last day to file an appeal is December 5, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-25
Track: Zia Park
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Licensee: MEDRANO, GABRIEL IGNACIO

License Type: 2025 3 Year Other -app Applicant Id: 167171
License Number: 316225

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-25

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Gabriel Medrano, having been properly noticed, appeared with an interpreter before the Zia Park Board of Stewards, on November 23, 2025, for careless riding during the running of race 6 on November 22, 2025, while aboard # 6 "Whirlaway Audry", for steering inward, interfering with multiple inside horses. "Whirlaway Audry" was disqualified from 6th place and placed 9th.

Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(a) Post to Finish: A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit their mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race.

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(b) No jockey shall carelessly or willfully jostle, strike or touch another jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment. It shall be the discretion of the stewards to determine if the jostle, strike or touch had an effect on the outcome of the race and warrants a disqualification

15.2.5.13 E (3) Maintaining a straight course:

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(a) 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.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(b) The offending horse may be disqualified, if in the opinion of the stewards, the foul altered the finish of the race, regardless of whether the foul was accidental, willful or the result of careless riding.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(c) If the Stewards determine the foul was intentional, or due to careless riding, they may fine or suspend the guilty jockey.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards issued the following penalty:

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on December 1, 2025, through December 7, 2025 (Inclusive).

Gabriel Medrano may ride in designated races.

16.47.1.12 G. (4)(a)(b)(5)(a)(b)(c)(6) Jockey Suspensions and Designated Races.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

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Licensee: MEDRANO, GABRIEL IGNACIO

License Type: 2025 3 Year Other -app Applicant Id: 167171
License Number: 316225

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A (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 cash, a cashier's check, or money order". The last day to file an appeal is December 4, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

Geoff Wapler

Julie Farr



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Licensee: ARROYO, DIEGO GIOVANNI
License Type: 2024 3 Year Owner Applicant Id: 137083
License Number: 313595

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-26

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Diego Arroyo is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, November 25, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled for Thursday, December 1, 2025, at 8:15 A.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 9, 2025, for first place finisher "Mr. Red Perry" from race 2 at Zia Park.

Sample E549278 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on November 24, 2025, reported Albuterol confirmed in the urine.

Diego Arroyo was listed as the Trainer of "Mr. Red Perry" on November 9th, 2025.
Diego Arroyo was listed as the Owner of "Mr. Red Perry" on November 9th, 2025.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 L. (1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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.

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition



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of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:
(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions; A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (4) There is no permissible concentration of clenbuterol or albuterol that is allowed to appear in any official sample. This includes samples collected from Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A. Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in



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their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race...

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Diego Arroyo 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 Diego Arroyo are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c). All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Diego Arroyo must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and Prohibited Substances, 16.47.1.10 D (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion
15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
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Licensee: ARROYO, DIEGO GIOVANNI
License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 137083
License Number: 313596

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-26

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Diego Arroyo is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, November 25, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled for Thursday, December 1, 2025, at 8:15 A.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 9, 2025, for first place finisher "Mr. Red Perry" from race 2 at Zia Park.

Sample E549278 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on November 24, 2025, reported Albuterol confirmed in the urine.

Diego Arroyo was listed as the Trainer of "Mr. Red Perry" on November 9th, 2025.
Diego Arroyo was listed as the Owner of "Mr. Red Perry" on November 9th, 2025.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 L. (1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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.

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of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:
(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions; A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (4) There is no permissible concentration of clenbuterol or albuterol that is allowed to appear in any official sample. This includes samples collected from Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A . Penalties:

- (1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.
- (2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in



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their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race...

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Diego Arroyo 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 Diego Arroyo are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c). All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Diego Arroyo must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and Prohibited Substances, 16.47.1.10 D (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion
15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
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16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
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Licensee: SOLIS, HUBALDO

License Type: 2025 3 Year Owner Applicant Id: 11361
License Number: 316500

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-27

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner Hubaldo Solis, having been properly noticed, failed to appear for his Disciplinary Hearing, which was held in absentia, before the Zia Park Board of Stewards (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs NM, 88240) on November 21, 2025, at 10:00 A.M., regarding a medication violation for "Hs Keepanothersecret", first place finisher of the first race at The Downs at Albuquerque on August 28, 2025.

Hubaldo Solis was listed as the Owner of record for the horse "Hs Keepanothersecret" on August 28, 2025.

Cosme Velasquez was listed as the Trainer of record for the horse "Hs Keepanothersecret" on August 28, 2025.

Sample E655331 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) dated September 22, 2025, reported the presence of Albuterol confirmed in urine.

Split sample rights were afforded to Trainer Cosme Velasquez and Owner Hubaldo Solis, pursuant to Rule 15.2.6.10 D. (2). Trainer Cosme Velasquez and Owner Hubaldo Solis failed to show at the scheduled split sample packaging time, thereby declining split samples.

After hearing testimony and viewing evidence presented, Owner Hubaldo Solis is found to be in violation of NMAC Rules:

15.2.6.9 C. Medication Restrictions

15.2.6.9 C. (1) (4) There is no permissible concentration of clenbuterol or albuterol that is allowed to appear in any official sample. This includes samples collected from Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds.

16.47.1.8 U. (1) Protection of Horses.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalties:

Pursuant to Rule 15.2.5.13 E. (4)(d), "Hs Keepanothersecret" is disqualified and unplaced for all but pari-mutuel wagering purposes from the first race on August 28, 2025, at The Downs at Albuquerque.

Pursuant to Rule 15.2.5.14 D. (7) and Rule 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(j), the purse redistribution is as follows:



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1. Jet Black Eagles
2. Special Polka
3. McKinlay
4. Wf Dream Weaver
5. Eb Cowgirl
6. Stirup Marinascartel
7. Hardcore Troubadour
8. Blaze Flash

Unplaced: Hs Keepanothersecret

The horse "Hs Keepanothersecret" shall be placed on the Veterinarian's list for 180 days (September 23, 2025 through March 22, 2026) and must pass a commission-approved examination (including negative hair, urine and blood tests for Albuterol and prohibited substances) before becoming eligible to be entered, per Rule 15.2.6.9 B. (3).

In the event an appeal is pursued from this Ruling, the horse "Hs Keepanothersecret" shall remain on the Stewards' List until such time as the case is fully adjudicated.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

- 15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
- 15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
- 15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
- 15.2.5.12 B. Horse Ineligible
- 15.2.6.9 A. (1)(2) Penalties
- 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations
- 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
- 16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
- 16.47.1.8 L. (1) Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
- 16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application Information
- 16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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 December 7, 2025.



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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-28
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Ruling Date: 11/28/2025

Licensee: HONESTO, JULIAN REY

License Type: 2024 1 Year Owner Applicant Id: 160462
License Number: 314011

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-28

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Julian Rey Honesto is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, November 25, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled for November 30, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 8, 2025, for first place finisher "Dashingalltheway CSJ" from race 3 at Zia Park.

Sample E549266 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on November 24, 2025, reported Albuterol confirmed in Urine.

Julian Rey Honesto was listed as the Trainer of "Dashingalltheway CSJ" on November 8th, 2025.

Mario Dominguez was listed as the Owner of "Dashingalltheway CSJ" on November 8th, 2025.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 L. (1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: No licensee or other person under the



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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.

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B.(1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C.(5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:

(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C.(1) Medication Restrictions; A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C.(4) There is no permissible concentration of clenbuterol or albuterol that is allowed to appear in any official sample. This includes samples collected from Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A . Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations



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NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race...

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:

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NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Julian Rey Honesto 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 Julian Rey Honesto are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c). All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Julian Rey Honesto must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and Prohibited Substances, 15.2.1.9 A.(8) Due Process and Disciplinary Action, and 16.47.1.10 D (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards



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16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
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Track: Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/28/2025

Licensee: **HONESTO, JULIAN REY**

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 160462
License Number: 316834

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-28

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Julian Rey Honesto is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, November 25, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled for November 30, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 8, 2025, for first place finisher "Dashingalltheway CSJ" from race 3 at Zia Park.

Sample E549266 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on November 24, 2025, reported Albuterol confirmed in Urine.

Julian Rey Honesto was listed as the Trainer of "Dashingalltheway CSJ" on November 8th, 2025.

Mario Dominguez was listed as the Owner of "Dashingalltheway CSJ" on November 8th, 2025.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 L. (1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: No licensee or other person under the



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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.

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B.(1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C.(5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:

(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C.(1) Medication Restrictions: A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C.(4) There is no permissible concentration of clenbuterol or albuterol that is allowed to appear in any official sample. This includes samples collected from Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A . Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations



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NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race...

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:

(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;
NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Julian Rey Honesto 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 Julian Rey Honesto are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c). All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Julian Rey Honesto must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and Prohibited Substances, 15.2.1.9 A.(8) Due Process and Disciplinary Action, and 16.47.1.10 D (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards



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15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion
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16.47.1.10 B. Absolute Insurer
16.47.1.10. C. Trainer – Other Responsibility

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Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/28/2025

Licensee: HONESTO, JULIAN REY

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 160462
License Number: 316834

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-29

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Julian Rey Honesto is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, November 25, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled November 30, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 8, 2025, for first place finisher "Jd Dance Monkey" from race 7 at Zia Park.

Sample E549274 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on November 24, 2025, reported Albuterol confirmed in Urine.

Julian Rey Honesto was listed as the Trainer of "JD Dance Monkey" on November 8th, 2025.

Mario Dominguez was listed as the Owner of "JD Dance Monkey" on November 8th, 2025.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 L. (1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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



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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.

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:

(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge:

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions; A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (4) There is no permissible concentration of clenbuterol or albuterol that is allowed to appear in any official sample. This includes samples collected from Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A. Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official



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laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race...

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for: (1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Julian Rey Honesto 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 Julian Rey Honesto are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c). All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Julian Rey Honesto must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and Prohibited Substances, 15.2.1.9 A.(8) Due Process and Disciplinary Action, and 16.47.1.10 D. (7) Assistant Trainers

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion



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15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
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16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
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16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
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16.47.1.8 U. Protection of Horses
16.47.1.10 B. Absolute Insurer
16.47.1.10. C. Trainer – Other Responsibility

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-30
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 11/30/2025

Licensee: LELLO, ANTHONY PETER

License Type: 2023 3 Year Owner Applicant Id: 2418
License Number: 309811

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-30

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Anthony (Tony) P. Lello, having been duly notified, appeared for his disciplinary hearing via Microsoft Teams on November 21, 2025, at 8:30 a.m., before the Zia Park Board of Stewards (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs, NM 88240). The hearing was regarding a positive medication violation in sample E655629 for the drug Flunixin (Class 4 Penalty C drug) confirmed in blood at 12.7 ng/mL (The measurement uncertainty of the method is 0.53 ng/mL at the threshold of 5 ng/mL), by Industrial Laboratories (official testing laboratory of the New Mexico Racing Commission), for the horse "Woodybejammin", who was scratched in post parade prior to the start of race 3 on October 15, 2025 at The Downs at Albuquerque in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Split Sample rights were afforded to and declined by Trainer/Owner Anthony (Tony) P. Lello.

Tony P. Lello was the Trainer of record for the horse "Woodybejammin" on October 15, 2025.

Tony P. Lello was the Owner of record for the horse "Woodybejammin" on October 15, 2025.

After viewing the evidence and hearing the testimony, Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

- 15.2.6.9 B. (3) Medications and Prohibited Substances
- 15.2.6.11 A.B. Trainer Responsibility
- 16.47.1.8 U. (1) Protection of Horses
- 16.47.1.10 B. (1)(2)(3) Absolute Insurer

For this violation (first offense 365-day period) the Board of Stewards issues the following penalties:

1. A fine of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.) which must be paid on or before December 14, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 (B)(3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9(A)(7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.
2. "Woodybejammin" must pass a Commission approved exam, including work, exam and blood before being eligible to run.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:



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- 15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
- 15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
- 15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
- 15.2.5.12 B. Horse Ineligible
- 15.2.6.9 A. (1)(2) Penalties
- 15.2.6.11 Trainer Responsibility
- 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
- 16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
- 16.47.1.8 L. (1) Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
- 16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application Information
- 16.47.1.8 T. Knowledge of Rules
- 16.47.1.8 U. Protection of Horses
- 16.47.1.10 B. Absolute Insurer
- 16.47.1.10 C. Trainers – Other Responsibility

15.2.1.9 A. (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 **December 10, 2025.**

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards



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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-30
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Licensee: LELLO, ANTHONY PETER

License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 2418
License Number: 309812

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-30

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Anthony (Tony) P. Lello, having been duly notified, appeared for his disciplinary hearing via Microsoft Teams on November 21, 2025, at 8:30 a.m., before the Zia Park Board of Stewards (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs, NM 88240). The hearing was regarding a positive medication violation in sample E655629 for the drug Flunixin (Class 4 Penalty C drug) confirmed in blood at 12.7 ng/mL (The measurement uncertainty of the method is 0.53 ng/mL at the threshold of 5 ng/mL), by Industrial Laboratories (official testing laboratory of the New Mexico Racing Commission), for the horse "Woodybejammin", who was scratched in post parade prior to the start of race 3 on October 15, 2025 at The Downs at Albuquerque in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Split Sample rights were afforded to and declined by Trainer/Owner Anthony (Tony) P. Lello.

Tony P. Lello was the Trainer of record for the horse "Woodybejammin" on October 15, 2025.

Tony P. Lello was the Owner of record for the horse "Woodybejammin" on October 15, 2025.

After viewing the evidence and hearing the testimony, Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

- 15.2.6.9 B. (3) Medications and Prohibited Substances
- 15.2.6.11 A.B. Trainer Responsibility
- 16.47.1.8 U. (1) Protection of Horses
- 16.47.1.10 B. (1)(2)(3) Absolute Insurer

For this violation (first offense 365-day period) the Board of Stewards issues the following penalties:

1. A fine of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.) which must be paid on or before December 14, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 (B)(3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9(A)(7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.
2. "Woodybejammin" must pass a Commission approved exam, including work, exam and blood before being eligible to run.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:



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Licensee: LELLO, ANTHONY PETER

License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 2418
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- 15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
- 15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
- 15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
- 15.2.5.12 B. Horse Ineligible
- 15.2.6.9 A. (1)(2) Penalties
- 15.2.6.11 Trainer Responsibility
- 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
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- 16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application Information
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- 16.47.1.8 U. Protection of Horses
- 16.47.1.10 B. Absolute Insurer
- 16.47.1.10. C. Trainers – Other Responsibility

15.2.1.9 A. (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 **December 10, 2025.**

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-31
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/2/2025

Licensee: HERNANDEZ, DANIEL M.

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 20521
License Number: 314824

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-31

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Daniel M. Hernandez having been properly notified, waived his right to a 10-day notice, appeared before the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs, NM 88240) for his Disciplinary Hearing on December 1, 2025, at 4:45 P.M., regarding failure to take timely possession of a claimed horse and conduct detrimental to the best interests of racing.

Daniel Hernandez testified he authorized a claim slip to be "dropped" for the horse "American Ballad" in race 5 on November 28, 2025 at Zia Park. "American Ballad" went to the test barn for post-race testing. After "American Ballad" had completed post-race testing, Trainer Daniel Hernandez, or his representative, were not present to take possession of the claimed horse. The horse's original groom walked and maintained care of the horse for almost an hour beyond the completion of its required time in the test barn, before the horse was picked up by a representative of Daniel Hernandez.

After viewing the evidence and hearing testimony presented, licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

16.47.1.8 L.(1)(i)(o) 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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing.

15.2.4.8 G.(3) Transfer of Claimed Horses: Transfer of possession of a claimed horse shall take place immediately after the race has been run unless otherwise directed by the stewards. If the horse is required to be taken to the test barn for post-race testing, the original trainer or their representative shall maintain physical custody of the claimed horse and shall observe the testing procedure and sign the test sample tag. The successful



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claimant or their representative shall also accompany the horse to the test barn.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalties:

1. A fine of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.) which must be paid on or before December 16, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B.(3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to Rule NMAC 15.2.1.9 A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the stewards shall be paid to the commission within 14 days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

2. Daniel Hernandez is responsible for compensating the original groom One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.) for his time and labor.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings before the Stewards
15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
16.47.1.8.L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
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16.47.1.8 T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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 December 12, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

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Geoff Wapler



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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-32
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Ruling Date: 12/7/2025

Licensee: BACHICHA,SR ELLIOT LLOYD

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 25972
License Number: 313086

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-32

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Elliot Bachicha having been properly noticed, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on November 30, 2025, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing for entering an ineligible horse #8 "Mr Yin Yang" in the 8th race on November 30, 2025 at Zia Park, necessitating a scratch.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.12 HORSES INELIGIBLE

B. A horse shall be ineligible to start when:

(10) It does not meet the eligibility conditions of the race;

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

1. A fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) This fine is to be paid on or before December 21, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (9)(a)(b): Which states in pertinent part that "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 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 or a money



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order. The last day to file an appeal is December 16, 2025.

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Licensee: BACHICHA, SR ELLIOT LLOYD

License Type: 2024 3 Year Owner Applicant Id: 25972
License Number: 314030

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-32

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Elliot Bachicha having been properly noticed, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on November 30, 2025, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing for entering an ineligible horse #8 "Mr Yin Yang" in the 8th race on November 30, 2025 at Zia Park, necessitating a scratch.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

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15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority
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16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

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Licensee: CHAVEZ, HECTOR

License Type: 2023 3 Year Owner Applicant Id: 33662
License Number: 308841

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-33

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Hector Chavez is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, December 5, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled December 12, 2025, at 4:30 P.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Millen Dr. Hobbs NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 16, 2025, for second place finisher "Latigo Ellis" from race 1 at Zia Park.

Sample E549337 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on December 4, 2025, reported Albuterol confirmed in Urine.

Hector Chavez was listed as the Trainer of record for the horse "Latigo Ellis" on November 16, 2025.

Alicia Andrade was listed as the Owner of record for the horse "Latigo Ellis" on November 16, 2025.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 L. (1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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.



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NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:
(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge:

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions; A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (4) There is no permissible concentration of clenbuterol or albuterol that is allowed to appear in any official sample. This includes samples collected from Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A . Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;



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15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race and is responsible for the presence of any prohibited drug, medication or other substance, including permitted medication in excess of the maximum allowable level, in such horses. A positive test for a prohibited drug, medication or substance, including permitted medication in excess of the maximum allowable level, as reported by a commission- approved laboratory, is prima facie evidence of a violation of this rule. In the absence of substantial evidence to the contrary, the trainer is responsible.

B. A trainer shall prevent the administration of any drug or medication or other prohibited substance that may cause a violation of these rules.

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

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This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
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Licensee: CHAVEZ, HECTOR

License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 33662
License Number: 310384

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-33

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

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License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 33662
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B. A trainer shall prevent the administration of any drug or medication or other prohibited substance that may cause a violation of these rules.

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
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In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Hector Chavez 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 Hector Chavez are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c). All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Hector Chavez must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and Prohibited Substances, 15.2.1.9 A.(8) Due Process and Disciplinary Action, and 16.47.1.10 D. (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion
15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
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Licensee: CHAVEZ, HECTOR

License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 33662
License Number: 310384

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
16.47.1.8.L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
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16.47.1.10. C. Trainer – Other Responsibility

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-34
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/7/2025

Licensee: GONZALES,II JAMES JULIAN
License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 26440
License Number: 312405

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-34

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer James Gonzales II having been duly notified waived his 10-day notice and formal hearing before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on December 7, 2025, for failure to bring his entry #10 "Lyme Light" to the paddock with proper equipment (flipping halter) for race 10 on December 6, 2025, at Zia Park.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.8 B. (6) Procedure for Entries: No alteration may be made in any entry after the closing of entries, but an error may be corrected with permission of the stewards.
15.2.5.8 B. (10) Procedure for Entries: Any approved change of equipment must be declared at time of entry. Any changes after that time must be approved by the stewards.
15.2.6.11E. (11) Trainer Responsibility: The trainer is responsible for ensuring proper bandages, equipment, and shoes.
16.47.1.10 C. (17)(20) Trainers; Other Responsibility

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 21, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action
15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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



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Licensee: GONZALES,II JAMES JULIAN

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 26440
License Number: 312405

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 is December 17, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-35
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Ruling Date: 12/7/2025

Licensee: CARMONA QUILES, KEVIN MANJUEL

License Type: 2025 1 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 167417
License Number: 317090

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-35

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Kevin Carmona, having been properly noticed, appeared with an interpreter before the Zia Park Board of Stewards, on December 5, 2025, for careless riding during the running of race 1 on December 2, 2025, while aboard # 3 "Torreado", for dropping in near the 3 ½ pole, causing interference to #1 "Bye Bye Russ". "Torreado" was not disqualified.

Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(a) Post to Finish: A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit their mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race.

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(b) No jockey shall carelessly or willfully jostle, strike or touch another jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment. It shall be the discretion of the stewards to determine if the jostle, strike or touch had an effect on the outcome of the race and warrants a disqualification.

15.2.5.13 E (3) Maintaining a straight course:

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(a) 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.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(b) The offending horse may be disqualified, if in the opinion of the stewards, the foul altered the finish of the race, regardless of whether the foul was accidental, willful or the result of careless riding.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(c) If the Stewards determine the foul was intentional, or due to careless riding, they may fine or suspend the guilty jockey.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards issued the following penalty:

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on December 12, 2025, through December 18, 2025 (Inclusive).

Kevin Carmona may ride in designated races.

16.47.1.12 G. (4)(a)(b)(5)(a)(b)(c)(6) Jockey Suspensions and Designated Races.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required



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Licensee: CARMONA QUILES, KEVIN MANJUEL

License Type: 2025 1 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 167417
License Number: 317090

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

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15.2.1.9 A (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 cash, a cashier's check, or money order". The last day to file an appeal is December 17, 2025.

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Ruling Date: 12/8/2025

Licensee: GRADO, JESUS JOSE

License Type: 2024 1 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 32677
License Number: 314366

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-36

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Jesus Jose Grado having been properly noticed responded via telephone, waived his 10 day notice and formal hearing, before The Zia Park Board of Stewards on December 7, 2025, regarding failure to have a current negative equine infectious anemia (Coggins) certificate on file with the Racing Office prior to start for his entry #1 "Jess With Eagles" in race #2 on December 7, 2025, at Zia Park, necessitating a late scratch.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.12 B. Horses Ineligible

15.2.5.12. B. (12) there is no current negative test certificate for equine infectious anemia on file with the racing office, as required by the commission.

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

1. A fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) which must be paid on or before December 22, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9 A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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 December 18, 2025.



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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-37
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: CHAVEZ, JOSE

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 15047
License Number: 317391

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-37

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Jose Chavez having been properly noticed, responded via telephone, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on December 10, 2025, for necessitating a scratch of #7 "Brujo Spirit" for race 1 on December 7, 2025 at Zia Park by entering the wrong race.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.9 DECLARATIONS AND SCRATCHES

B. Scratches: (2) The stewards have sole authority to scratch a horse if any situation involves a rule violation or is recommended by a veterinarian or concerns of track condition. The scratch of a horse after closing of entries may be submitted by the owner, trainer or designated assistant trainer, subject to approval from the stewards.

15.2.6.11 TRAINER RESPONSIBILITY

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(9) ensuring the fitness to perform creditably at the distance entered;

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) This fine is to be paid on or before December 24, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (9)(a)(b): Which states in pertinent part that "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 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



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a fee in the amount of \$400. The fee must be in the form of a cashier's check or a money order. The last day to file an appeal is December 20, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-38
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: PEREZ, MIGUEL ANGEL

License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 31329
License Number: 314522

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-38

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Miguel A. Perez, having been properly noticed, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards, on December 9, 2025, for careless riding during the running of race 3 on December 8, 2025, while aboard #7 "Thruthestorm", for drifting inward after the start of the race, causing interference to #6 "Upward Mobility". "Thruthestorm" was not disqualified.

Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(a) Post to Finish: A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit their mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race.

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(b) No jockey shall carelessly or willfully jostle, strike or touch another jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment. It shall be the discretion of the stewards to determine if the jostle, strike or touch had an effect on the outcome of the race and warrants a disqualification

15.2.5.13 E (3) Maintaining a straight course:

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(a) 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.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(b) The offending horse may be disqualified, if in the opinion of the stewards, the foul altered the finish of the race, regardless of whether the foul was accidental, willful or the result of careless riding.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(c) If the Stewards determine the foul was intentional, or due to careless riding, they may fine or suspend the guilty jockey.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards issued the following penalty:

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on January 2, 2026, through January 8, 2026 (Inclusive).

Miguel Perez may ride in designated races.

16.47.1.12 G. (4)(a)(b)(5)(a)(b)(c)(6) Jockey Suspensions and Designated Races.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action



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16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A (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 cash, a cashier's check, or money order". The last day to file an appeal is December 20, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-39
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Licensee: CARMONA QUILES, KEVIN MANJUEL
License Type: 2025 1 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 167417
License Number: 317090

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-39

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Kevin Carmona, having been properly noticed, appeared with an interpreter before the Zia Park Board of Stewards, on December 9, 2025, for careless riding during the running of race 2 on December 8, 2025, while aboard # 5 "Casual Encounter", for drifting out near the 3/16 pole, causing interference to #6 "Blue Blazes Who". "Casual Encounter" was not disqualified.

Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(a) Post to Finish: A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit their mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race.

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(b) No jockey shall carelessly or willfully jostle, strike or touch another jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment. It shall be the discretion of the stewards to determine if the jostle, strike or touch had an effect on the outcome of the race and warrants a disqualification

15.2.5.13 E (3) Maintaining a straight course:

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(a) 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.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(b) The offending horse may be disqualified, if in the opinion of the stewards, the foul altered the finish of the race, regardless of whether the foul was accidental, willful or the result of careless riding.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(c) If the Stewards determine the foul was intentional, or due to careless riding, they may fine or suspend the guilty jockey.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards issued the following penalty:

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on January 2, 2026, through January 8, 2026 (Inclusive). Kevin Carmona may ride in designated races.

16.47.1.12 G. (4)(a)(b)(5)(a)(b)(c)(6) Jockey Suspensions and Designated Races.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action



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15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A (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 cash, a cashier's check, or money order". The last day to file an appeal is December 20, 2025.

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Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: HONESTO, JULIAN REY

License Type: 2024 1 Year Owner Applicant Id: 160462
License Number: 314011

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-40

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Julian Rey Honesto is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, December 8, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled for December 14, 2025, at 8:15 A.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Mullen Drive, Hobbs, NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 15, 2025, for second place finisher "Tg Classy Dasher" from race 4 at Zia Park.

Sample E549322 tested positive for the drug Tulobuterol (Class 1 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on December 4, 2025, reported the presence of Tulobuterol confirmed in Blood.

Additionally, Sample E549322 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on December 4, 2025, reported the presence of Albuterol confirmed in Urine.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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



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animal of necessary care or sustenance, shelter or veterinary care.

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:
(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions: A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A . Penalties:

- (1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.
- (2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C.(12) A practicing veterinarian that is licensed by the commission may prescribe a drug identified by Paragraph (8) of Subsection C above under the following



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conditions:

(b) only FDA label-approved drugs for use in the horse may be prescribed;

15.2.6.11 Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race and is responsible for the presence of any prohibited drug, medication or other substance, including permitted medication in excess of the maximum allowable level, in such horses. A positive test for a prohibited drug, medication or substance, including permitted medication in excess of the maximum allowable level, as reported by a commission- approved laboratory, is prima facie evidence of a violation of this rule. In the absence of substantial evidence to the contrary, the trainer is responsible.

B. A trainer shall prevent the administration of any drug or medication or other prohibited substance that may cause a violation of these rules.

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Julian Rey Honesto 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 Julian Rey Honesto are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 A.(8)(b) and 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c).

NMSA 1978, Section 60-1A-4 (A)(2) provides "The commission may exclude or compel the exclusion of a person from all horse racetracks who the commission deems detrimental to the best interest of horseracing..."

All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Julian Rey Honesto must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and



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Prohibited Substances and 16.47.1.10 D. (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion
15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
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16.47.1.8 U. Protection of Horses
16.47.1.10 B. Absolute Insurer
16.47.1.10. C. Trainer – Other Responsibility

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Licensee: HONESTO, JULIAN REY

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 160462
License Number: 316834

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-40

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Julian Rey Honesto is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, December 8, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled for December 14, 2025, at 8:15 A.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Zia Park (3901 West Mullen Drive, Hobbs, NM 88240), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 15, 2025, for second place finisher "Tg Classy Dasher" from race 4 at Zia Park.

Sample E549322 tested positive for the drug Tulobuterol (Class 1 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on December 4, 2025, reported the presence of Tulobuterol confirmed in Blood.

Additionally, Sample E549322 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on December 4, 2025, reported the presence of Albuterol confirmed in Urine.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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



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animal of necessary care or sustenance, shelter or veterinary care.

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:
(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions; A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A . Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C.(12) A practicing veterinarian that is licensed by the commission may prescribe a drug identified by Paragraph (8) of Subsection C above under the following



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conditions:

(b) only FDA label-approved drugs for use in the horse may be prescribed;

15.2.6.11 Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race and is responsible for the presence of any prohibited drug, medication or other substance, including permitted medication in excess of the maximum allowable level, in such horses. A positive test for a prohibited drug, medication or substance, including permitted medication in excess of the maximum allowable level, as reported by a commission- approved laboratory, is prima facie evidence of a violation of this rule. In the absence of substantial evidence to the contrary, the trainer is responsible.

B. A trainer shall prevent the administration of any drug or medication or other prohibited substance that may cause a violation of these rules.

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

(e) A horse that has been placed on the steward's list for a positive test pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC may only be removed if the criteria set forth in that subsection are met or in the event of a split sample result which does not confirm the official laboratory's original finding of a positive test.

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Julian Rey Honesto 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 Julian Rey Honesto are ineligible to be entered or start in any race in this jurisdiction, per 15.2.1.9 A.(8)(b) and 15.2.1.9 B.(21)(c).

NMSA 1978, Section 60-1A-4 (A)(2) provides "The commission may exclude or compel the exclusion of a person from all horse racetracks who the commission deems detrimental to the best interest of horseracing..."

All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Julian Rey Honesto must be done in accordance with 15.2.6.9 A.(13)(a)(b)(c)(d) Medication and



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Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: HONESTO, JULIAN REY

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 160462
License Number: 316834

Prohibited Substances and 16.47.1.10 D. (7) Assistant Trainers.

This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

- 15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
- 15.2.1.9 A. Proceedings Before the Stewards
- 15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion
- 15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
- 15.2.6.11 E. Trainer Responsibility
- 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
- 16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
- 16.47.1.8.L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
- 16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
- 16.47.1.8 T. Knowledge of Rules
- 16.47.1.8 U. Protection of Horses
- 16.47.1.10 B. Absolute Insurer
- 16.47.1.10. C. Trainer – Other Responsibility

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-41
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: LEVARIO, JESSE LEE

License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 32734
License Number: 317538

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-41

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Jesse Lee Levario having been duly notified, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on December 8, 2025, for excessive use of the crop while aboard #2 "A Dream Fulfilled" in Race 8 at The Downs at Albuquerque on October 19, 2025. This is his fifth crop violation in 2025.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. RUNNING OF THE RACE

(7)(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.

(8) 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.

(9) Excessive use of the crop includes:

(a) Riders cannot use the riding crop more than three times in succession during a race, excluding showing or waiving the crop.

(b) Riders cannot use the crop more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond before using the crop again.

The Board of Stewards (Fifth offense in 2025) hereby issue the following penalty:

1. A fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. (\$500.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 24, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

2. Jockey Jesse Lee Levario shall ride without a riding crop for seven calendar days, beginning on January 2, 2026 through January 8, 2026 (Inclusive). 15.2.5.13 E (7)(b).

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards



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License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 32734
License Number: 317538

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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 December 20, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-42
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: LEVARIO, JESSE LEE

License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 32734
License Number: 317538

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-42

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Jesse Lee Levario having been duly notified, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on December 8, 2025, for excessive use of the crop while aboard #9 "Rocker S" in Race 9 at Zia Park on December 6, 2025. This is his sixth riding crop violation in 2025.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. RUNNING OF THE RACE

(7)(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.

(8) 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.

(9) Excessive use of the crop includes:

(a) Riders cannot use the riding crop more than three times in succession during a race, excluding showing or waiving the crop.

(b) Riders cannot use the crop more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond before using the crop again.

The Board of Stewards (Sixth offense in 2025) hereby issue the following penalty:

1. A fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. (\$500.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 24, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

2. Jockey Jesse Lee Levario shall ride without a riding crop for fourteen calendar days, beginning on January 9, 2026 through January 22, 2026 (Inclusive). 15.2.5.13 E (7)(b).

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority



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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-42
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: LEVARIO, JESSE LEE

License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 32734
License Number: 317538

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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 December 20, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-43
Track: Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: VALENZUELA, ERIC

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 163129
License Number: 316057

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-43

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Eric Valenzuela having been duly notified waived his 10-day notice and formal hearing before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on December 9, 2025, for failure to bring his entry #1 "BV China Dawl" to the paddock with proper equipment (flipping halter) for race 9 on December 7, 2025, at Zia Park.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.8 B. (6) Procedure for Entries: No alteration may be made in any entry after the closing of entries, but an error may be corrected with permission of the stewards.
15.2.5.8 B. (10) Procedure for Entries: Any approved change of equipment must be declared at time of entry. Any changes after that time must be approved by the stewards.
15.2.6.11 E. (11) Trainer Responsibility: The trainer is responsible for ensuring proper bandages, equipment, and shoes.
16.47.1.10 C. (17)(20) Trainers; Other Responsibility

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 24, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority
15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action
15.2.3.8 B. Stewards
16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required
16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules
15.2.1.9 A. (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



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License Number: 316057

day to file is December 20, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-44
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: CARDENAS, CHRISTIAN LUIS

License Type: 2023 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 35458
License Number: 309109

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-44

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Christian Cardenas having been duly notified, was represented by an Industry representative, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on December 8, 2025, for excessive use of the crop while aboard #2 "Eagles N Fairytale" in Race 10 at Zia Park on December 7, 2025. This is his third crop violation in 2025.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. RUNNING OF THE RACE

(7)(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.

(8) 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.

(9) Excessive use of the crop includes:

(a) Riders cannot use the riding crop more than three times in succession during a race, excluding showing or waiving the crop.

(b) Riders cannot use the crop more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond before using the crop again.

The Board of Stewards (Third offense in 2025) hereby issue the following penalty:

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on January 2, 2026, through January 8, 2026 (Inclusive).

Christian Cardenas may ride in designated races.

16.47.1.12 G. (4)(a)(b)(5)(a)(b)(c)(6) Jockey Suspensions and Designated Races.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures



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Licensee: CARDENAS, CHRISTIAN LUIS

License Type: 2023 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 35458
License Number: 309109

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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 December 20, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-45
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/10/2025

Licensee: CARDENAS, CHRISTIAN LUIS

License Type: 2023 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 35458
License Number: 309109

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-45

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Christian Cardenas, having been properly noticed, was represented by an Industry representative, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards, on December 8, 2025, for careless riding during the running of race 10 on December 7, 2025, while aboard #2 "Eagles N Fairytale", for drifting in, causing interference to #1 "Mako Shark Watters" who was forced to check. "Eagles N Fairytale" was not disqualified.

Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(a) Post to Finish: A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit their mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race.

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(b) No jockey shall carelessly or willfully jostle, strike or touch another jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment. It shall be the discretion of the stewards to determine if the jostle, strike or touch had an effect on the outcome of the race and warrants a disqualification

15.2.5.13 E (3) Maintaining a straight course:

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(a) 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.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(b) The offending horse may be disqualified, if in the opinion of the stewards, the foul altered the finish of the race, regardless of whether the foul was accidental, willful or the result of careless riding.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(c) If the Stewards determine the foul was intentional, or due to careless riding, they may fine or suspend the guilty jockey.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(d) In a straightaway race, every horse must maintain position as nearly as possible in the lane in which it starts. If a horse is ridden, drifts or swerves out of its lane in such a manner that it interferes with, impedes or intimidates another horse, it is a foul and may result in the disqualification of the offending horse.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards issued the following penalty:

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on January 9, 2026, through January 15, 2026 (Inclusive).

Christian Cardenas may ride in designated races.

16.47.1.12 G. (4)(a)(b)(5)(a)(b)(c)(6) Jockey Suspensions and Designated Races.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action



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Licensee: CARDENAS, CHRISTIAN LUIS

License Type: 2023 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 35458
License Number: 309109

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A (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 cash, a cashier's check, or money order". The last day to file an appeal is December 20, 2025.

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-46
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/12/2025

Licensee: PARGA, JAIME

License Type: 2025 1 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 30593
License Number: 317458

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-46

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Jaime Parga Leos, having been properly noticed, was represented by an Industry representative before the Zia Park Board of Stewards, on December 8, 2025, for careless riding during the running of race 10 on December 7, 2025, while aboard #9 "Good Grief", for veering inward, interfering with #7 "Flying By You Is Me". "Good Grief" was not disqualified.

Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(a) Post to Finish: A jockey shall not ride carelessly or willfully so as to permit their mount to interfere with, impede or intimidate any other horse in the race.

15.2.5.13 E. (2)(b) No jockey shall carelessly or willfully jostle, strike or touch another jockey or another jockey's horse or equipment. It shall be the discretion of the stewards to determine if the jostle, strike or touch had an effect on the outcome of the race and warrants a disqualification

15.2.5.13 E (3) Maintaining a straight course:

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(a) 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.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(b) The offending horse may be disqualified, if in the opinion of the stewards, the foul altered the finish of the race, regardless of whether the foul was accidental, willful or the result of careless riding.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(c) If the Stewards determine the foul was intentional, or due to careless riding, they may fine or suspend the guilty jockey.

15.2.5.13 E. (3)(d) In a straightaway race, every horse must maintain position as nearly as possible in the lane in which it starts. If a horse is ridden, drifts or swerves out of its lane in such a manner that it interferes with, impedes or intimidates another horse, it is a foul and may result in the disqualification of the offending horse.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards issued the following penalty:

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on January 2, 2026, through January 8, 2026 (Inclusive).

Jaime Parga Leos may ride in designated races.

16.47.1.12 G. (4)(a)(b)(5)(a)(b)(c)(6) Jockey Suspensions and Designated Races.

This ruling is written in accordance with:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards



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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-46
Track Zia Park
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Licensee: PARGA, JAIME

License Type: 2025 1 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 30593
License Number: 317458

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A (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 cash, a cashier's check, or money order". The last day to file an appeal is December 22, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-47
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/12/2025

Licensee: ORTEGA-ARMENDARIZ, RAUL ADRIEL

License Type: 2024 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 166064
License Number: 312586

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-47

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Raul Ortega having been duly notified, appeared with an Industry representative before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on December 12, 2025, for excessive use of the crop while aboard #10 "Uncle Leo" in Race 3 at Zia Park on December 12, 2025. This is his second crop violation in 2025.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

15.2.5.13 E. RUNNING OF THE RACE

(7)(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.

(8) 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.

(9) Excessive use of the crop includes:

(a) Riders cannot use the riding crop more than three times in succession during a race, excluding showing or waiving the crop.

(b) Riders cannot use the crop more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond before using the crop again.

The Board of Stewards (Second offense in 2025) hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine in the amount of one thousand Dollars. (\$1,000.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 26, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required



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Licensee: ORTEGA-ARMENDARIZ, RAUL ADRIEL

License Type: 2024 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 166064
License Number: 312586

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (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 December 22, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-48
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/13/2025

Licensee: JUNGERS, MARC E

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 3711
License Number: 312087

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-48

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Marc Jungers having been duly notified, appeared before the Zia Park Board of Stewards on December 13, 2025, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing, for failure to immediately report the alteration in the sex of the horse "Significant One", and failure to notify the racing office at time of entry that "Significant One" was a gelding, for race #8 on December 12, 2025 at Zia Park.

Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:

16.47.1.10 C. Trainers; Other Responsibility:

(5) A trainer is responsible for: the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge;

(11) A trainer is responsible for: immediately reporting the alteration in the sex of a horse in their care to the horse identifier and the racing secretary, whose office shall note such alteration on the certificate of registration;

The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

A fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 27, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. (1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action

15.2.3.8 B. Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

15.2.1.9 A. (9)(a)(b): Which states in pertinent part that "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 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 or a money



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Licensee: JUNGERS, MARC E

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 3711
License Number: 312087

order. The last day to file an appeal is December 23, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

Julie Farr

Ronald Frazier



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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-49
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/13/2025

Licensee: MEGARIZ, III MICHAEL

License Type: 2023 3 Year Owner Applicant Id: 16966
License Number: 310323

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-49

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer/Owner Michael Megariz, III, is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, December 13, 2025, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled December 19, 2025, at 9:00 A.M. in the office of the Board of Stewards at Sunland Park (1200 Futurity Dr, Sunland Park, NM 88063), per 15.2.1.9 A.(3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a medication violation on November 30, 2025, for second place finisher "Stable Mascot" from race 7 at Zia Park.

Sample E549453 tested positive for the drug Albuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) on December 12, 2025, reported Albuterol confirmed in Urine.

Michael Megariz, III was listed as the Trainer of record for the horse "Stable Mascot" on November 30, 2025.

Julio Caballero was listed as the Owner of record for the horse "Stable Mascot" on November 30, 2025.

NMAC 16.47.1.8 L. (1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

(e) has been found in violation of rules governing racing in New Mexico and of other racing commissions or of any recognized regulatory organization:

(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;

(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses: 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.



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NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer "The trainer is the absolute insurer of the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race..."

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers: A trainer is responsible for:
(5) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition, and safety of horses in their charge:

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (1) Medication Restrictions; A finding by the commission approved laboratory of a prohibited substance in an official post-race or out-of-competition sample of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited substance was administered to the horse and, in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating in a race.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (4) There is no permissible concentration of clenbuterol or albuterol that is allowed to appear in any official sample. This includes samples collected from Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES: The classification guidelines contained within the "Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties and Model Rule", December 2024 version 18.1 and "Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses", version 4.2.1, - December, 2020 update are incorporated by reference.

A. Penalties:

(1) In issuing penalties against individuals found guilty of medication and drug violations, a regulatory distinction shall be made between the detection of therapeutic medications used routinely to treat racehorses and those drugs that have no reason to be found at any concentration in the test sample on race day.

(2) The stewards or the commission will use the association of racing commissioner's international recommended penalty as a starting place in the penalty stage of the deliberations for a rule violation for any drug listed in the association of racing commissioners international uniform classification guidelines for foreign substances.

NMAC 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

NMAC 15.2.6.9 C. (8) Any horse that is the subject of a positive test report from the official laboratory for a drug in one of the following categories shall be placed immediately on the steward's list: (a) any drug categorized by the association of racing commissioner's international "uniform classification guidelines for foreign substance and recommended penalties and model rule" incorporated by reference under 15.2.6.9 NMAC as a penalty class A substance;

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility: The purpose of this subsection is to identify



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responsibilities of the trainer that pertain specifically to the health and wellbeing of horses in their care.

A. The trainer is responsible for the condition of horses entered in an official workout or race and is responsible for the presence of any prohibited drug, medication or other substance, including permitted medication in excess of the maximum allowable level, in such horses. A positive test for a prohibited drug, medication or substance, including permitted medication in excess of the maximum allowable level, as reported by a commission- approved laboratory, is prima facie evidence of a violation of this rule. In the absence of substantial evidence to the contrary, the trainer is responsible.

B. A trainer shall prevent the administration of any drug or medication or other prohibited substance that may cause a violation of these rules.

E. Additionally, with respect to horses in their care or custody, the trainer is responsible for:
(1) the proper identity, custody, care, health, condition and safety of horses;

NMAC 15.2.3.8. B. (9)(a)(e) Stewards List

(a) The stewards shall maintain a stewards' list of the horses which are ineligible to be entered in a race because of poor or inconsistent performance behavior on the racetrack that endangers the health or safety of other participants in racing or for positive tests pursuant to Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC.

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This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
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15.2.2.8 V. Ejection and Exclusion
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16.47.1.10. C. Trainer – Other Responsibility

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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-49
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Licensee: MEGARIZ, III MICHAEL

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 16966
License Number: 315996

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-49

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

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This Ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:

15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
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16.47.1.8.L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures
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Ruling #: 2025-ZIA-50
Track Zia Park
Ruling Date: 12/14/2025

Licensee: JOHNSON, TAMMY KAY

License Type: 2022 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 12439
License Number: 307097

Ruling # 2025-ZIA-50

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Tammy Johnson having been properly noticed, appeared for her hearing before the Zia Park Board of Stewards (3901 West Millen Dr Hobbs NM 88240), on December 13, 2025 at 8:15 a.m., regarding disrespect to an Official Veterinarian when she was informed the horse "Big Daddy Dan" would need to have to work and a clear blood sample to have the horse removed from the Vet List.

Testimony provided by the New Mexico Racing Commission Official Veterinarian described Trainer Tammy Johnson's response as making comments to "kill her horse" when she was informed of the requirements for removal from the Veterinarian's List.

After hearing the testimony and viewing the evidence presented, Licensee is found in violation of NMAC:

NMAC 16.47.1.8 L. (1)(e)(i)(o) 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:

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(o) has engaged in conduct unbecoming or detrimental to the best interests of racing;

16.47.1.8.T. Knowledge of Rules: A licensee shall be knowledgeable of the rules of the commission; and by acceptance of the license, agrees to abide by the rules.

For this violation, the Board of Stewards issued the following penalty:

A fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. (\$500.00). This fine is to be paid on or before December 28, 2025, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(e). Failure to pay the fine within the prescribed time may result in immediate suspension. Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.1.9. A. (7)(f) all fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Commission within 14 days after the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.



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Licensee: JOHNSON, TAMMY KAY

License Type: 2022 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 12439
License Number: 307097

This ruling is written in accordance with:

- 15.2.1.8 B. Commission General Authority
- 15.2.1.9 A. Due Process and Disciplinary Action
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- 16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application
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15.2.1.9 A (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 cash, a cashier's check, or money order". The last day to file an appeal is December 24, 2025.

By Order of The Zia Park Stewards

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