

**SUNLAND**

**RULING**

**2026-SUN-36**

**NOT ISSUED**



New Mexico Racing Commission  
4900 Alameda NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: 2026-SUN-37  
Track Sunland Park  
Ruling Date: 1/26/2026

Licensee: GONZALEZ-VILLAR, RODOLFO

License Type: 2024 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 157497  
    License Number: 313474

Ruling # 2026-SUN-37

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner Rodolfo Gonzalez-Villar, having been properly noticed, failed to appear for his disciplinary hearing (which was held in absentia via Microsoft Teams) before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards on January 20, 2026 at 10:00am, regarding medication violations for "Meleros Cerveza", first place finisher of the fourth race on November 23, 2025 at Zia Park.

Rodolfo Gonzalez-Villar was listed as the Owner of record for the horse "Meleros Cerveza" on November 23, 2025.

Chris D. Marquez was listed as the Trainer of record for the horse "Meleros Cerveza" on November 23, 2025.

Sample E549388 tested positive for the drug Clenbuterol (Class 3 Penalty A drug) and the drug Ambroxol (Class 4 Penalty B drug). An affidavit from Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the New Mexico Racing Commission) dated December 19, 2025, reported the presence of Clenbuterol confirmed in blood, and Ambroxol confirmed in urine.

Split sample rights were afforded to and declined by Trainer Chris D. Marquez and Owner Rodolfo Gonzalez-Villar, pursuant to Rule 15.2.6.10 D. (2).

At the hearing, no witnesses or evidence was presented to disprove the test results at issue or the resulting findings of the New Mexico Racing Commission.

**After hearing testimony and viewing evidence presented, Owner Rodolfo Gonzalez-Villar 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, (First offense within 365 days) the Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalties:**

1. Pursuant to Rule 15.2.5.13 E. (4)(d), "Meleros Cerveza" is disqualified and unplaced for all but pari-mutuel wagering purposes from the fourth race on November 23 2025, at Zia Park. Pursuant



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

1. Six Chimes Bdp
2. Chicks Havin Fun
3. Royal Milana
4. A Cartels Dream
5. Giggette
6. Eye Am secret
7. Dusty Jet
8. Daddys Streakin Doll
9. Roll Into Vike

Unplaced: Meleros Cerveza

The horse "Meleros Cerveza" shall be placed on the Veterinarian's list for 180 days (January 20, 2026 through July 20, 2026) and must pass a commission-approved examination (including negative hair, urine and blood tests for Clenbuterol 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 "Meleros Cerveza" 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 February 5, 2026.



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Ruling #: 2026-SUN-38  
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Licensee: LAMBERT, CASEY TODD

License Type: 2024 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 25033  
License Number: 314401

Ruling # 2026-SUN-38

Action Type: Initial Ruling

**Ruling:**

Trainer Casey Lambert having been properly noticed, appeared before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards on January 13, 2026, for entering (and not withdrawing or scratching) the horse "Hold My Scotch" to race on December 16, 2025 at Zia Park, as "Hold My Scotch" was a pre-race veterinary scratch December 9, 2025.

Casey Lambert testified he entered "Hold My Scotch" the morning of December 9, 2025, to race December 16, 2025. Casey Lambert testified he was aware "Hold My Scotch" was a veterinary scratch from race 1 on December 9, 2025, as a result of the pre-race exam. Casey Lambert did not submit a scratch to the Stewards for race 9 on December 16, 2025.

Casey Lambert failed to conduct his business in the proper manner, by either submitting a timely scratch for a horse not in sound racing condition, or by following up with contacting the Stewards to address the situation with "Hold My Scotch" and clarify his veterinary status.

After hearing testimony presented, Licensee is found to be in violation of the following provisions of NMAC:

#### 15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility

**15.2.5.9 B.(6) Declarations and Scratches:** Entry of any horse which has been scratched, or excused from starting by the stewards, because of a physical disability or sickness may not be accepted until the expiration of seven calendar days after such horse was scratched or excused and the horse has been removed from the veterinarian's list.

**15.2.5.12 A.(3) B.(8) HORSES INELIGIBLE:** A horse shall be ineligible to start when: it is not in sound racing condition;

**NMAC 16.47.1.8.L 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;

(f) has been found to have made false or misleading statements to the commission, stewards, or any racing official;

(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



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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.

**The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:**

For failing to conduct his business in the proper manner and conduct unbecoming and detrimental to the best interest of racing, a fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) This fine is to be paid on or before February 10, 2026, 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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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 order. The last day to file an appeal is February 6, 2026.

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Ronald Frazier



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Ruling #: 2026-SUN-39  
Track Sunland Park  
Ruling Date: 1/27/2026

Licensee: VILLALOBOS, ISMAEL

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 96532  
License Number: 314689

Ruling # 2026-SUN-39

Action Type: Initial Ruling

**Ruling:**

Trainer Ismael Villalobos having been duly notified appeared telephonically before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards on January 25 , 2026, waived his right to a 10-day notice and formal hearing, for failure to immediately report the alteration in the sex of the horse "Jm Johnny La Chingas", and failure to notify the racing office at time of entry that "Jm Johnny La Chingas" was a gelding, for race #3 on January 10, 2026 at Sunland 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 February 9, 2026, 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
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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 February 5, 2026.

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Geoff Wexler

Roger Farrell



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Ruling #: 2026-SUN-40  
Track Sunland Park  
Ruling Date: 2/1/2026

Licensee: TARANGO, JAIME R

License Type: 2025 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 32218  
    License Number: 317248

Ruling # 2026-SUN-40

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner Jaime Tarango having been properly noticed, failed to appear for his disciplinary hearing via Microsoft Teams (held in absentia), before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards on January 27th, 2026, regarding a criminal felony charge for possession and falsification of his license application.

**After hearing testimony and viewing evidence presented, the Board of Stewards determined that licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:**

16.47.1.8. L (1)(a)(d)(f)(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:

- (a) has been convicted of a felony;
- (d) has failed to disclose or falsely states any information required in the application;
- (f) has been found to have made false or misleading statements to the commission, stewards, or any racing official;
- (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.

NMSA 1978, 60-1A-11. A. B. C. Granting a license; standards; denial and revocation; suspension and penalties.

C. A person issued or applying for an occupational license who has positive test results for a controlled substance or who has been convicted of a violation of a federal or state controlled substance law shall be denied a license or shall be subject to revocation of an existing license unless sufficient evidence of rehabilitation is presented to the commission.

**For these violations, the Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:**

1. Jaime Tarango's license issued by the New Mexico Racing Commission is hereby revoked.
2. Jaime Tarango is ineligible to apply for an NMRC license for a period of three (3) years from January 27, 2026 through January 26, 2029.
3. Jaime Tarango must appear before the New Mexico Racing Commission prior to any future



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licensing consideration and provide complete documentation for adjudication of all court cases and proceedings.

All transfers and sales of horses trained, owned, or in the care and custody of Jaime Tarango 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 16.47.1.9 A. (5)(6) Owners.

**This ruling is written in accordance with NMAC:**

15.2.1.8 (B)(1) Commission General Authority

15.2.1.9 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

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 February 11, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-SUN-41  
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Ruling Date: 1/30/2026

Licensee: GONZALEZ, ANTONIO JOSE

License Type: 2026 1 Year Pony Perso Applicant Id: 32995  
License Number: 317861

Ruling # 2026-SUN-41

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner Antonio Jose Gonzalez, having been duly notified, waived his 10-day notice and formal hearing before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards on January 18, 2026, regarding ponying horses while not being licensed in the proper capacity.

**The Board of Stewards determined that Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:**

**16.47.1.8 General Provisions**

A. Licenses required: A person as defined by 15.2.1.7 NMAC shall not participate in pari-mutuel racing under the jurisdiction of the commission, or be employed by an association who is a gaming operator, without a valid license issued by the commission.

L. (1) Grounds for disciplinary measures for a licensee, and refusal, denial, suspension, or revocation of a license:

(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 the discipline under this rule;

(o) has engaged in conduct becoming or detrimental to the best interest of racing;

**16.47.1.15 Pony Person**

**For this violation, the Board of stewards hereby issue the following penalty:**

A fine of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). This fine is to be paid on or before February 12, 2026, 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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16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

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Ruling #: 2026-SUN-42  
Track Sunland Park  
Ruling Date: 1/30/2026

Licensee: CARMONA QUILES, KEVIN MANJUEL

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

Ruling # 2026-SUN-42

Action Type: Initial Ruling

**Ruling:**

Jockey Kevin Carmona, having been properly noticed, appeared with an Industry representative before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards, on January 23, 2026, for careless riding during the running of race 2 on January 19, 2026, while aboard #2 "Shame Them", for veering inward, causing interference with #1 "Rail Runner".

### **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:

On this occasion, the Board of Governors issued the following penalty: A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on January 30, 2026 through February 5, 2026



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(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  
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Ruling #: 2026-SUN-43  
Track Sunland Park  
Ruling Date: 1/30/2026

Licensee: ACOSTA, OMAR

License Type: 2025 1 Year Trainer      Applicant Id: 167359  
    License Number: 316767

Ruling # 2026-SUN-43

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Omar Acosta is hereby summarily suspended, effective immediately, January 30, 2026, pending the outcome of his summary suspension hearing scheduled February 3, 2026, 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 January 9, 2026, for first place finisher "The Huerfanita" from race 5 at Sunland Park.

Sample E655841 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 January 28, 2026, reported Albuterol confirmed in Urine.

Omar Acosta was listed as the Trainer of record for the horse "The Huerfanita" on January 9, 2026.

One Time Racing Stables, LLC (Juan C. Flores) was listed as the Owner of record for the horse "The Huerfanita" on January 9, 2026.

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;

NMAC 16.47.1.8 U. (2) Protection of Horses:

NMAC 16.47.1.10 B. (1) Absolute Insurer:

NMAC 16.47.1.10 C. (5) Trainers:



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Licensee: ACOSTA, OMAR

License Type: 2025 1 Year Trainer Applicant Id: 167359  
License Number: 316767

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:

#### A. Penalties:

#### 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. B. E. Trainer Responsibility:

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

In accordance with 15.2.1.9 B. (21), Omar Acosta 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 Omar Acosta 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 Omar Acosta 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
- 15.2.6.11 E. Trainer Responsibility
- 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority



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Ruling #: 2026-SUN-43  
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Ruling Date: 1/30/2026

Licensee: ACOSTA, OMAR

License Type: 2025 1 Year Trainer      Applicant Id: 167359  
    License Number: 316767

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

By Order of The Sunland Park Stewards

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Ruling #: 2026-SUN-44  
Track Sunland Park  
Ruling Date: 2/2/2026

Licensee: GONZALEZ, ANTONIO JOSE

License Type: 2024 3 Year Owner Applicant Id: 32995  
License Number: 311893

Ruling # 2026-SUN-44

Action Type: Initial Ruling

**Ruling:**

Owner Antonio Jose Gonzalez, having been properly notified appeared before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards on January 18, 2026, for failure to comply with the starter's instructions during morning training at Sunland Park on January 18, 2026.

**The Board of Stewards determined that Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:**

#### 16.47.1.8 General Provisions

L. (1) Grounds for disciplinary measures for a licensee, and refusal, denial, suspension, or revocation of a license:

(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 the discipline under this rule;

(o) has engaged in conduct becoming or detrimental to the best interest of racing;

For this violation, the Board of stewards hereby issue the following penalty:

For the Violation, 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 February 15, 2026, 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

15.2.1.8 R. Stewards

### 16.2.6.6 B. Stewards

**16.47.1.8 Statutory Authority**

### 16.47.1.8.1. (1)(2) License Required

#### 16.47.1.8 E. Grounds for Disciplinary

### 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



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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 February 11, 2026.

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