



NEW MEXICO RACING COMMISSION  
SUNLAND PARK  
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Ruling #: 2026-SUN-82  
Track: Sunland Park  
Ruling Date: 3/21/2026

Licensee: PEREZ, MARTIN N  
License Type: 2023 3 Year Trainer      Applicant Id: 19644  
License Number: 310368

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Action Type: Case Continued  
Ruling:  
RE: 2026-SUN-82 - Case Continued

Owner/Trainer Martin N. Perez having been properly noticed, appeared with interpreter Adrian Perez (his son), for his Summary Suspension hearing before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards (1200 Futurity Dr, Sunland Park, NM 88063), on March 27, 2026, at 4:45 P.M. per 15.2.1.9 A. (3)(a)(b)(c) Summary Suspension. The Summary Suspension is regarding a post-race hair sample medication violation on February 27, 2026, for sixth place finisher "T Deuces" from race 2, who collapsed post-race, at Sunland Park Racetrack.

Sample #E656099 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 March 16, 2026, reported Albuterol confirmed in hair.

Martin N. Perez was listed as the Owner and Trainer of record for the horse "T Deuces" on February 27, 2026.

Split sample rights were afforded to Owner/Trainer Martin N. Perez and accepted, per NMAC 15.2.6.9 D.

**After hearing the testimony and viewing evidence presented, the Sunland Park Board of Stewards determined that Martin N. Perez shall remain suspended pending the outcome of the split sample results.**

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;



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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:

NMAC 15.2.6.9 A.B.C. (1)(4)(8) MEDICATIONS AND PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES:

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 15.2.6.11 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), Martin N. Perez 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 Martin N. Perez 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 Martin N. Perez 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
- 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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