



New Mexico Racing Commission  
4900 Alameda NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: 2026-RUI-40  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 6/12/2026

Licensee: ORTIZ, JOSE ENRIQUE  
License Type: 2025 1 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 35364  
License Number: 317463

Ruling # 2026-RUI-40

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Jose Enrique Ortiz, having been properly notified, represented by an Industry Representative before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on June 12, 2026, for excessive use of the crop while aboard #12 "Jlb the Red Eye" in Race 3 at Ruidoso Downs at The DAA on June 6, 2026. This is his fourth crop violation during The DAA 2026 race meets.

**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 hereby issue (Fourth offense during The DAA 2026 race meets) the following penalty:**

A 7-calendar day suspension, beginning on June 19, 2026, through June 25, 2026 (Inclusive).

Jose Enrique Ortiz 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



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- 16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority
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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 a cashier's check or money order." The last day to file an appeal is June 22, 2026.

By Order of The Ruidoso Downs Stewards

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*Geoff Wapler*

*Ronald Frazier*



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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-41  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 6/12/2026

Licensee: LINARES, GILBERTO

License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 164381  
License Number: 316520

Ruling # 2026-RUI-41

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Gilberto Linares, having been properly notified, represented by an Industry Representative before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on June 12, 2026, for excessive use of the crop while aboard #2 "Mr Roosevelt" in Race 8 at Ruidoso Downs at The DAA on June 7, 2026. This is his second crop violation during The DAA 2026 race meets.

**Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:**

15.2.5.13 E. RUNNING OF THE RACE

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(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 hereby issue (Second offense during The DAA 2026 race meets) the following penalty:** A fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. (\$500.00). This fine is to be paid on or before June 26, 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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Applicant Id: 164381

License Number: 316520

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

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-42  
Track: Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 6/13/2026

Licensee: BACHICHA, JR ELLIOT JUAN  
License Type: 2024 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 29630  
License Number: 311246

Ruling # 2026-RUI-42

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Elliot Bachicha Jr Jockey's license is hereby rescinded without prejudice as he no longer works in that capacity, and he has been issued a Groom and Exercise Riders License, as of June 13, 2026.

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 in 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 #: 2026-RUI-43  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 6/14/2026

Licensee: LEVARIO, JESSE LEE

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

Ruling # 2026-RUI-43

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Jesse Lee Levario having been properly notified, appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ DAA on June 14, 2026, for excessive use of the crop while aboard #1 "Dads On a Roll" in Race 9 at Ruidoso Downs at DAA on June 13, 2026. This is his second crop violation during the 2026 Ruidoso Downs race meet.

**Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:**

**15.2.5.13 E. RUNNING OF THE RACE**

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(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 hereby issue (Second offense during the 2026 Ruidoso Downs race meet) the following penalty:**

A fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. (\$500.00). This fine is to be paid on or before June 28, 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.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-44  
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Licensee: NAVARRETE, EUGENIO ALBERTO  
License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 157802  
License Number: 316149

Ruling # 2026-RUI-44

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Eugenio Navarrete having been properly notified, appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ DAA on June 14, 2026, for excessive use of the crop while aboard #9 "I Can Be Special" in Race 1 at Ruidoso Downs at DAA on June 13, 2026. This is his second crop violation during the 2026 Ruidoso Downs race meet.

**Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:**

15.2.5.13 E. RUNNING OF THE RACE

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(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 hereby issue (Second offense during the 2026 Ruidoso Downs race meet) the following penalty:**

A fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. (\$500.00). This fine is to be paid on or before June 28, 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.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-45  
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Ruling Date: 6/14/2026

Licensee: MEDRANO, GABRIEL IGNACIO  
License Type: 2025 3 Year Other -app Applicant Id: 167171  
License Number: 316225

Ruling # 2026-RUI-45

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Gabriel Medrano, having been duly notified, appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on June 14, 2026, for misuse of the crop while aboard #6 "Mi Capitan" during the post parade for race 9 at Ruidoso Downs at The DAA on June 13, 2026. (Struck his mount during post parade).

**Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:**

15.2.5.13 E. (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.

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

A fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. (\$500.00). This fine is to be paid on or before June 28, 2026, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.1.9 A. (7)(f). Failure to pay the fine in the prescribed time shall result in an immediate suspension.

**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

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application

16.47.1.8. T. Knowledge of Rules

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-46  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 6/14/2026

Licensee: ENRIQUEZ, JACOBO ABRAHAM  
License Type: 2023 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 163276  
License Number: 309727

Ruling # 2026-RUI-46

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Jacob Enriquez, having been duly notified, was represented by an industry representative before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on June 14, 2026, for misuse of the crop while aboard #1 "Gold D" during the post parade for race 8 at Ruidoso Downs at The DAA on June 13, 2026. (Struck his mount during post parade).

**Licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC:**

15.2.5.13 E. (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.

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

A fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars. (\$500.00). This fine is to be paid on or before June 28, 2026, in accordance with NMAC 15.2.1.9 A. (7)(f). Failure to pay the fine in the prescribed time shall result in an immediate suspension.

**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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