



New Mexico Racing Commission  
4900 Alameda NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: 2026-RUI-82  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/13/2026

Licensee: GUTIERREZ, MANUEL

License Type: 2026 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 31992  
License Number: 318272

Ruling # 2026-RUI-82

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Manuel Gutierrez, having been properly notified and represented by Jockey Eugenio Naverrete appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on July 12, 2026, for violation of the three strike rule by using the crop more than three times in succession (four strikes) while aboard #6 "Luziana Man" in Race 7 at Ruidoso Downs @ The DAA on June 28, 2026. This is his first 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 (Second offense during The DAA 2026 race meets) the following penalty:** A fine in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars. (\$250.00). This fine is to be paid on or before July 27, 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 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 July 23, 2026.

By Order of The Ruidoso Downs Stewards

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*Ronald Frazier*

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-83  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/13/2026

Licensee: GUTIERREZ, MANUEL

License Type: 2026 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 31992  
License Number: 318272

Ruling # 2026-RUI-83

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Manuel Gutierrez, having been properly notified and represented by Jockey Eugenio Navarrete, appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on July 12, 2026, for violation of the three strike rule by using the crop more than three times in succession (six strikes) while aboard #2 "Luziana Man" in Race 9 at Ruidoso Downs @ The DAA on July 11, 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

(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 (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 July 27, 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

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

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License Type: 2026 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 31992  
License Number: 318272

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 July 23, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-84  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/17/2026

Licensee: VAZQUEZ, JOSE MIGUEL

License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 163933  
License Number: 316890

Ruling # 2026-RUI-84

Action Type: Initial Ruling

**Ruling:**

Jockey Jose Vazquez, having been properly noticed, appeared with translator Jose A. Gonzalez, before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards at the DAA, on July 17, 2026, for careless riding during the running of race 6 on July 12, 2026, while aboard #3, for veering out near the 5/16's pole into the path of #4, causing the rider to check.

**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 July 24, 2026, through July 30, 2026 (Inclusive). Jose Vazquez 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

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

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Licensee: VAZQUEZ, JOSE MIGUEL

License Type: 2025 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 163933  
License Number: 316890

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 July 28, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-85  
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Ruling Date: 7/17/2026

Licensee: PEREZ, MIGUEL ANGEL

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

Ruling # 2026-RUI-85

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Miguel Perez, having been properly noticed, appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards at the DAA, on July 17, 2026, for careless riding during the running of race 4 on July 12, 2026, while aboard #4, who bore out during the stretch from the 3/16 pole, pushing the #8 multiple paths away from the inside rail. #4 was disqualified from first and placed second.

**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 July 25, 2026, through July 31, 2026 (Inclusive). Jose Vazquez 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

16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

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

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 July 28, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-86  
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Ruling Date: 7/17/2026

Licensee: GARCIA-SOLIS, CERVANDO

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer      Applicant Id: 33147  
License Number: 315949

Ruling # 2026-RUI-86

Action Type: Initial Ruling

**Ruling:**

Trainer Cervando Garcia-Solis, having been duly notified, waived his right to a 10 day notice for a formal disciplinary hearing before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards (The Downs at Albuquerque, Gate 7, 145 Louisiana Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87108) on July 16, 2026, regarding a medication violation for the horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" who placed second in race 4 on June 20, 2026, at The DAA, for a Class 4 Penalty C drug, "Triamcinolone Acetonide" confirmed in blood Sample E728210 at 312 pg/ml, (the measurement of uncertainty of the method is 16 pg/mL at the threshold of 100 pg/ml), by Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the NMRC) on July 6, 2026.

Cervando Garcia-Solis was the trainer of record for the horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" on June 20, 2026.

Ana Chacon and Cervando L. Garcia were the owners of record for the horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" on June 20, 2026.

Split Sample rights were afforded to and declined by Trainer Cervando Garcia-Solis and Owners Ana Chacon and Cervando L. Garcia per NMAC 15.2.6.10 D.

In accordance with **Rule 15.2.6.9 B. (2) Licensed Trainer:** This is Trainer Cervando Garcia-Solis first offense within 365 days for a Class 4 Penalty C medication violation.

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

15.2.6.9. A. (7)(8) Medications and Prohibited Substances

15.2.6.9 B. (3) Penalty Recommendations:

15.2.6.9. C. (1)(8)(a) Medication restrictions

15.2.6.11 A. Trainer Responsibility

16.47.1.8 (L)(i)(o) Grounds for disciplinary measures for a license

16.47.1.8.U. Protection of Horses

16.47.1.10 B. Absolute Insurer

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

1. For the presence of Triamcinolone Acetonide (Class 4 Penalty C drug), a fine of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000), per Rule 15.2.6.9 B. which must be paid on or before July 31, 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



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the Ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered.

2. In addition, and pursuant to Rule 15.2.6.9 B (1-7), Trainer Cervando Garcia Solis has accumulated a total of "1/2" point for this violation for a total of "1/2" lifetime point under the Multiple Medication Violation point system, in accordance with Rule 15.2.6.9(O).

**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

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority

16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required

16.47.1.8 N. Changes in Application Information

16.47.1.8 T. Knowledge of Rules

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 or money order." The last day to file an appeal is July 28, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-87  
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Licensee: CHACON, ANA C

License Type: 2026 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 163332  
License Number: 318872

Ruling # 2026-RUI-87

Action Type: Initial Ruling

**Ruling:**

Owner Ana Chacon, having been duly notified, waived her right to a 10 day notice for a formal disciplinary hearing before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards (The Downs at Albuquerque, Gate 7, 145 Louisiana Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87108) on July 16, 2026, regarding a medication violation for the horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" who placed second in race 4 on June 20, 2026, at The DAA, for a Class 4 Penalty C drug, "Triamcinolone Acetonide" confirmed in blood Sample E728210 at 312 pg/ml, (the measurement of uncertainty of the method is 16 pg/mL at the threshold of 100 pg/ml), by Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the NMRC) on July 6, 2026.

Cervando Garcia-Solis was the trainer of record for the horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" on June 20, 2026.

Ana Chacon and Cervando L. Garcia were the owners of record for the horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" on June 20, 2026.

Split Sample rights were afforded to and declined by Trainer Cervando Garcia-Solis and Owners Ana Chacon and Cervando L. Garcia per NMRC 15.2.6.10 D.

**Given the evidence presented, licensee is found to be in violation of NMRC Rules:**

- 15.2.6.9 A. Medications and Prohibited Substances
- 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations
- 15.2.6.9 C. (1)(8) Medication Restrictions
- 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:**

Pursuant to Rule 15.2.5.13 E. (4)(d), "Kj Daddysgottheblues" is disqualified and unplaced for all but pari-mutuel wagering purposes from the fourth race on June 20, 2026, at The DAA. Pursuant to Rule 15.2.5.14 D. (7) and Rule 15.2.3.8 B. (3)(j), the purse redistribution is as follows:

1. Times Awasten
2. Special Who
3. El Huarache Prieto
4. Kvn Corre
5. Colfax Kid
6. Ronchetti



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Licensee: CHACON, ANA C

License Type: 2026 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 163332  
License Number: 318872

7. Whiskey Whiskey

Unplaced: Kj Daddysgottheblues

The horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" shall be placed on the Steward's list and must pass a commission-approved examination 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 "Kj Daddysgottheblues" 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

15.2.6.9 A. (1)(2) Penalties

15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

16.47.1.8 L. (i)(o) Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

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 or money order." The last day to file an appeal is July 28, 2026.

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Licensee: GARCIA, CERVANDO LUIS  
License Type: 2026 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 167816  
License Number: 318894

Ruling # 2026-RUI-88

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner Cervando L. Garcia, having been duly notified, waived his right to a 10 day notice for a formal disciplinary hearing before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards (The Downs at Albuquerque, Gate 7, 145 Louisiana Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87108) on July 16, 2026, regarding a medication violation for the horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" who placed second in race 4 on June 20, 2026, at The DAA, for a Class 4 Penalty C drug, "Triamcinolone Acetonide" confirmed in blood Sample E728210 at 312 pg/ml, (the measurement of uncertainty of the method is 16 pg/mL at the threshold of 100 pg/ml), by Industrial Laboratories (the official laboratory for the NMRC) on July 6, 2026.

Cervando Garcia-Solis was the trainer of record for the horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" on June 20, 2026.

Ana Chacon and Cervando L. Garcia were the owners of record for the horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" on June 20, 2026.

Split Sample rights were afforded to and declined by Trainer Cervando Garcia-Solis and Owners Ana Chacon and Cervando L. Garcia per NMAC 15.2.6.10 D.

**Given the evidence presented, licensee is found to be in violation of NMAC Rules:**

- 15.2.6.9 A. Medications and Prohibited Substances
- 15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations
- 15.2.6.9 C. (1)(8) Medication Restrictions
- 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:**

Pursuant to Rule 15.2.5.13 E. (4)(d), "Kj Daddysgottheblues" is disqualified and unplaced for all but pari-mutuel wagering purposes from the fourth race on June 20, 2026, at The DAA. 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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3. El Huarache Prieto
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Licensee: GARCIA, CERVANDO LUIS

License Type: 2026 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 167816  
License Number: 318894

**7. Whiskey Whiskey**

Unplaced: Kj Daddysgottheblues

The horse "Kj Daddysgottheblues" shall be placed on the Steward's list and must pass a commission-approved examination 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 "Kj Daddysgottheblues" 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

15.2.6.9 A. (1)(2) Penalties

15.2.6.9 B. Penalty Recommendations

16.47.1.8 L. (i)(o) Grounds for Disciplinary Measures

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Ruling Date: 7/17/2026

Licensee: RUBIO, JOSHUA LEE

License Type: 2026 1 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 165035  
License Number: 318107

Ruling # 2026-RUI-89

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

In reference to the ruling from the Texas Racing Commission Ruling RETA 32139, and in accordance with 15.2.1.9. B. (22) **Reciprocity** and 15.2.1.9 A.(8)(c) **Effect of Rulings**, the Jockey license issued to **Joshua Rubio** (NMRC Applicant ID #165035) is hereby suspended through August 7, 2026.

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

16.47.1.8 L. (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 this state or other jurisdictions.  
(g) has been or is currently excluded from association grounds by a recognized racing jurisdiction.  
(h) has had privileges or a license denied, suspended, or revoked by any racing commission or a recognized regulatory organization.  
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 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 July 28, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-90  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/18/2026

Licensee: GUTIERREZ, JR LUIS ALONSO  
License Type: 2026 1 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 20180  
License Number: 317701

Ruling # 2026-RUI-90

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Luis Alonso Gutierrez, Jr, having been properly notified, appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on July 18, 2026, for failure to dismount a lame horse following the running of race 3 at Ruidoso Downs @ The DAA on July 17, 2026.

**Licensee is found to be 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:

(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;

16.47.1.8 U. Protection of horses: (2) No licensee or other person under the jurisdiction of the commission shall subject or permit any animal under their control, custody or supervision to be subjected to or to incur any form of cruelty, mistreatment, neglect or abuse or abandon, injure, maim or kill or administer any noxious substance to or deprive any animal of necessary care or sustenance, shelter or veterinary care.

**The Board of Stewards hereby issue the following penalty:** A fine in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars. (\$250.00). This fine is to be paid on or before August 1, 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. (1)(d) Stewards

16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority



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Licensee: GUTIERREZ, JR LUIS ALONSO

License Type: 2026 1 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 20180  
License Number: 317701

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 July 28, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-91  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/18/2026

Licensee: GUTIERREZ, JR LUIS ALONSO

License Type: 2026 1 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 20180  
License Number: 317701

Ruling # 2026-RUI-91

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Luis Alonso Gutierrez, Jr, having been properly noticed, appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards at the DAA, on July 18, 2026, for careless riding during the running of race 8 on July 17, 2026, while aboard #2, for veering out sharply at the start and impeding horses #3, #4, and #5.

**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 July 26, 2026, through August 1, 2026 (Inclusive).

Luis Alonso Gutierrez, Jr. 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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License Type: 2026 1 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 20180  
License Number: 317701

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 July 28, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-92  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/18/2026

Licensee: ENRIQUEZ, JOSE LUIS

License Type: 2023 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 86484  
License Number: 309500

Ruling # 2026-RUI-92

Action Type: Initial Ruling

**Ruling:**

Jockey Jose Luis Enriquez, having been properly notified, appeared before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on July 18, 2026, for violation of the three strike rule by using the crop more than three times in succession (four strikes) while aboard #2 in Race 7 at Ruidoso Downs @ The DAA on July 18, 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 July 26, 2026, through August 1, 2026 (Inclusive).

Jose Luis Enriquez 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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Licensee: ENRIQUEZ, JOSE LUIS

License Type: 2023 3 Year Jockey      Applicant Id: 86484  
License Number: 309500

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 or money order." The last day to file an appeal is July 28, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-93  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/18/2026

Licensee: ORTIZ, JOSE ENRIQUE

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

Ruling # 2026-RUI-93

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Jockey Jose Enrique Ortiz, having been properly notified, failed to appear or provide an Industry representative, for his race review hearing before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on July 18, 2026 regarding race 7 at The DAA on July 17, 2026.

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

15.2.3.8 B.(3)(e) The stewards may impose any of the following penalties on a licensee for a violation of the act or these rules: issue a reprimand; assess a fine; require forfeiture or redistribution of purse or award, when specified by applicable rules and at their discretion; place a licensee on probation; suspend a license or racing privileges; revoke a license; exclude from grounds under the jurisdiction of the commission.

**15.2.1.9 A. (4) DUE PROCESS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION:**

(a) Except as provided by these rules regarding summary suspension, jockey riding infractions and trial races, the stewards or a racing commission designee shall provide written notice, at least 10 days before the hearing, to a person who is the subject of a disciplinary hearing. The person may waive their right to a 10-day notice by executing a written waiver.

(d) Nonappearance of a summoned party after adequate notice shall be construed as a waiver of the right to a hearing before the stewards. The stewards may suspend the license of a person who fails to appear at a disciplinary hearing after written notice of the hearing has been sent, in compliance with this subsection.

**For this violation (Third offense in 2026), the Board of stewards hereby issue the following penalty:**

A fine in the amount of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00). This fine is to be paid on or before August 2, 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  
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16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority  
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Licensee: ORTIZ, JOSE ENRIQUE

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

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 or money order." The last day to file an appeal is July 29, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-94  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/19/2026

Licensee: WOOD, STERLEN TREY

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer      Applicant Id: 32499  
License Number: 316222

Ruling # 2026-RUI-94

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer S. Trey Woods, having been properly notified via a citation issued to him by a NMRC Investigator which he signed, failed to appear for his hearing scheduled July 4, 2026 before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA regarding an incident in the paddock for race 6 at The DAA on July 3, 2026.

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

15.2.3.8 B.(3)(e) The stewards may impose any of the following penalties on a licensee for a violation of the act or these rules: issue a reprimand; assess a fine; require forfeiture or redistribution of purse or award, when specified by applicable rules and at their discretion; place a licensee on probation; suspend a license or racing privileges; revoke a license; exclude from grounds under the jurisdiction of the commission.

**15.2.1.9 A. (4) DUE PROCESS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION:**

(a) Except as provided by these rules regarding summary suspension, jockey riding infractions and trial races, the stewards or a racing commission designee shall provide written notice, at least 10 days before the hearing, to a person who is the subject of a disciplinary hearing. The person may waive their right to a 10-day notice by executing a written waiver.

(d) Nonappearance of a summoned party after adequate notice shall be construed as a waiver of the right to a hearing before the stewards. The stewards may suspend the license of a person who fails to appear at a disciplinary hearing after written notice of the hearing has been sent, in compliance with this subsection.

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

A fine in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). This fine is to be paid on or before August 2, 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  
16.47.1.8 L. Grounds for Disciplinary Measures



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Licensee: WOOD, STERLEN TREY

License Type: 2025 3 Year Trainer      Applicant Id: 32499  
License Number: 316222

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 or money order." The last day to file an appeal is July 29, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-95  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/19/2026

Licensee: FABELA-CASTANON, FRANCISCO

License Type: 2024 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 159639  
License Number: 311437

Ruling # 2026-RUI-95

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner Francisco Fabela-Castanon having been duly notified via a citation issued to him which he signed, failed to appear before for his hearing, which was held in absentia, before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA on July 19, 2026, regarding working in a capacity in which he is not licensed (groom for a horse he does not own) in the test barn on July 3, 2026 after race 5 at The DAA.

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

16.47.1.8 P. More than one license: An applicant for a license shall be subject to obtaining a license for each category for which an applicant will be participating, subject to the approval of the board of stewards.

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

A fine in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). This fine is to be paid on or before August 2, 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:**

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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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 July 29, 2026.



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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-95  
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Licensee: FABELA-CASTANON, FRANCISCO

License Type: 2024 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 159639  
License Number: 311437

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Ruling Date: 7/19/2026

Licensee: FABELA-CASTANON, FRANCISCO

License Type: 2024 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 159639  
License Number: 311437

Ruling # 2026-RUI-96

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Owner Francisco Fabela-Castanon, having been properly notified via a citation issued to him which he signed, failed to appear for his hearing scheduled for July 4, 2026 before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA regarding working in the capacity for which he was not licensed in race 5 at The DAA on July 3, 2026.

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

15.2.3.8 B.(3)(e) The stewards may impose any of the following penalties on a licensee for a violation of the act or these rules: issue a reprimand; assess a fine; require forfeiture or redistribution of purse or award, when specified by applicable rules and at their discretion; place a licensee on probation; suspend a license or racing privileges; revoke a license; exclude from grounds under the jurisdiction of the commission.

**15.2.1.9 A. (4) DUE PROCESS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION:**

(a) Except as provided by these rules regarding summary suspension, jockey riding infractions and trial races, the stewards or a racing commission designee shall provide written notice, at least 10 days before the hearing, to a person who is the subject of a disciplinary hearing. The person may waive their right to a 10-day notice by executing a written waiver.

(d) Nonappearance of a summoned party after adequate notice shall be construed as a waiver of the right to a hearing before the stewards. The stewards may suspend the license of a person who fails to appear at a disciplinary hearing after written notice of the hearing has been sent, in compliance with this subsection.

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

A fine in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). This fine is to be paid on or before August 2, 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  
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16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority  
16.47.1.8 A. (1)(2) License Required  
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Licensee: FABELA-CASTANON, FRANCISCO

License Type: 2024 3 Year Owner      Applicant Id: 159639  
License Number: 311437

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 or money order." The last day to file an appeal is July 29, 2026.

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Ruling #: 2026-RUI-97  
Track Ruidoso Downs  
Ruling Date: 7/19/2026

Licensee: HENRY, LARRY O

License Type: 2026 3 Year Trainer      Applicant Id: 22165  
License Number: 318551

Ruling # 2026-RUI-97

Action Type: Initial Ruling

Ruling:

Trainer Larry Henry, having been duly notified via a citation issued to him, failed to appear for his hearing, which was held in absentia before the Ruidoso Downs Board of Stewards @ The DAA, on July 19, 2026, for failure to bring his entry #10 "Aunt Bennie" to the paddock with proper equipment (flipping halter) for race 2 on July 5, 2026, at The DAA.

**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 August 2, 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  
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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day to file is July 29, 2026.

By Order of The Ruidoso Downs Stewards

*Violet Smith*

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