



New Mexico Racing Commission
4900 Alameda NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: **2025-SUN-11**
Track: Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 1/12/2025

Licensee: TORRES, DANIEL ANTONIO
License Type: 2024 3 Year Jockey Applicant Id: 30001
License Number: 312787

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Action Type: Modified Ruling
Ruling:
RE: 2025-SUN-11 - Modified Ruling

Jockey Daniel Torres opted to waive his summary suspension hearing, 10-day notice, and disciplinary hearing before the board of Stewards at Sunland Park Racetrack at 10:00 a.m. on January 12, 2025, having tested positive for a prohibited substance (Marijuana) in a UA sample given by investigator Elizabeth Garcia while on the grounds at Sunland Park.

The Board of Stewards determined mitigating/Aggravating factors:

- First Offense
- Admitting guilt

The Board of Stewards hereby assesses a penalty as follows:

1. A 15-day (Fifteen) suspension beginning January 12, 2025, through January 27, 2025. In accordance with 15.2.1.9 (C)(21), Jockey Daniel Torres is hereby excluded from all areas of the grounds under the jurisdiction of the NMRC. Before being reinstated must *pass a drug test on or after January 27, 2025.*

Licensee is found in violation and this ruling is written in accordance with:

16.47.1.18 (A)(1)(2)(3)(4) Testing Procedures: At its discretion, the commission may conduct random or episodic random drug testing, as well as testing based on reasonable suspicion, in order to ensure safety on the association grounds.

(2) All licensees may be subject to testing for controlled substances and drugs. (3) No advance notice need be given. (4) Refusing to test, failing to appear for a test, leaving before the test is over or otherwise failing to cooperate shall be considered a positive test. If this occurs during a race meet, the licensee is subject to and may be ejected from association grounds.

16.47.1.19 (B) ASSESSMENT/TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS:

B. First-time offenders: (1) The board of stewards or the commission may, at its discretion, order the licensee to obtain a professional assessment to determine whether there is a substantial probability that the licensee is dependent on, or abuses, alcohol or other drugs or the board of stewards or the commission may act on the information at hand. (2) Actions in the case of first offenders may include revocation of the license, suspension of the license for up to six months, placing the offender on probation for up to 90 days or ordering formal assessment and treatment.

15.2.1.8(B)(1) COMMISSION GENERAL AUTHORITY/15.2.1.9 (A)(4)(c) Last Known



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Address/15.2.3.8 B (3)(a)(f) Stewards Disciplinary Action/15.2.3.8 B (1) (a)(c)(d)(e) Stewards General Authority/16.47.1.8 (T) Knowledge of Rules/16.47.1.3 Statutory Authority 16.47.1.8 (A)(1)(2) License Required/16.47.1.8(N) Changes in Application Information

Appeal Procedures 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 money order, cashier's check or a corporate check. Last day to appeal January 22, 2025.

By Order of The Sunland Park Stewards