



New Mexico Racing Commission
4900 Alameda NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113

Ruling #: 2025-SUN-23
Track Sunland Park
Ruling Date: 1/29/2025

Licensee: CASTRO, JUAN CARLOS

License Type: 2024 1 Year Groom Applicant Id: 35575
License Number: 313348

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Action Type: Case Continued
Ruling:
RE: 2025-SUN-23 - Case Continued

Groom Juan Castro having been Summarily Suspended effective January 29, 2025, and having appeared for his Summary Suspension hearing via Microsoft Teams, on February 7, 2025 at 9:00 before the Sunland Park Board of Stewards shall remain suspended pending the outcome of his disciplinary hearing scheduled for Wednesday February 19, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. with the Board of Stewards at Sunland Park Racetrack, 1200 Futurity Drive NM 88063 per 15.2.1.9 (A)(3)(b) Summary Suspension. The summary suspension is regarding his spouse (trainer Cynthia G. Gonzalez who is currently suspended).

In accordance with **15.2.1.9 (B)(21), Groom Juan Castro** is hereby excluded from all areas of the grounds under the jurisdiction of the NMRC.

This ruling is written in accordance with 15.2.6.9 (A)(13)(a)(b),

(12) Procedures shall be established to ensure that a licensed trainer is not able to benefit financially during the period for which the individual has been suspended. This includes, but is not limited to, ensuring that horses are not transferred to a licensed person within the first degree of affinity (marriage relationship) or first degree of consanguinity (blood relationship)

(a) first degree of affinity shall mean the licensee's spouse or spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, son or daughter.

15.2.1.9(A)(3)(a) Proceedings Before The Stewards: Summary Suspension If the Stewards determine that a licensee's action constitute an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, the Stewards may summarily suspend the licensee pending a hearing.

16.47.1.8 (L)(1)(g) has had or is currently excluded from association grounds by a recognized racing jurisdiction;

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

15.2.1.9(A)(3)(b) Proceedings Before The Stewards: Summary Suspension A licensee whose



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license has been summarily suspended is entitled to a hearing on the summary suspension not later than the 10th day after the license was summarily suspended. The licensee may waive their right to a hearing on the summary suspension within the 10-day limit

15.2.6.9(B)(1)Penalty Recommendations /15.2.1.8(B)(1) COMMISSION GENERAL
AUTHORITY/15.2.3.8 B (3)(a)(e)(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 / 16.47.1.8(L)(1)(e) Grounds For Disciplinary Measures.

Geoffrey Walker
By Order of The Sunland Park Stewards