

## RULING #1

Owner/Trainer David J. Rose

Permit #85669

On January 6, 2025, the Board of Stewards offered a hearing to Owner/Trainer, David J. Rose, Permit #85669, DOB 11/20/1970, to which he waived his right to a hearing and elected not to send a split sample.

**The Board of stewards find the following:**

The official blood sample #E567116, taken on 12/12/2025 was reported by Industrial Laboratories, the official testing laboratory, to contain Dexamethasone which is a Class 4 drug, with a C Penalty, designation. Sample #E567116 contained Dexamethasone confirmed in the blood at 56.7 pg/mL. The measurement uncertainty of the method is 0.60 pg/mL at the threshold of 5 pg/mL. The sample was taken from the Ten (10) horse, "Karthian Dream" which ran in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Race on 12/12/2025, finishing first.

Pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, section 24.11.o, The Stewards are authorized to take disciplinary action against a permit holder for violating any provision of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule.

Pursuant to section 51.1.a, of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule, 178 W.Va.C.S.R.1: "The trainer is the absolute insurer of and responsible for the condition of the horses he or she enters in an official workout or a race, regardless of the acts of third parties. If testing or analysis of urine, blood or other bodily substances or tissues prove positive showing the presence of any prohibited drug, medication or substance, the trainer of the horse may be fined, suspended, have his or her occupational permit revoked, be prohibited access to all grounds under the jurisdiction of the Racing Commission, or may be otherwise disciplined. In addition, the owner of the horse, the foreman in charge of the horse, the groom, and any other person shown to have had the care, attendance of the horse may be fined, suspended, have his or her occupational permit revoked, be prohibited access to all grounds under the jurisdiction of the Racing Commission, or may be otherwise disciplined."

Pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, section 49.4.a.2., a finding by a Racing Commission approved laboratory of a prohibited drug, chemical or other substance in a test specimen of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited drug, chemical or other substance was administered to the horse, and in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating. Prohibited substances included controlled therapeutic medications in excess of established threshold concentrations as set forth in the Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule, Version 3.2., contained in Table 178-1 F of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule.

Pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, Table 178-1 F, Because the amount of Dexamethasone in "Karthian Dream" exceeded the acceptable threshold set forth in Table 178-1 F. Mr. Rose may be held responsible and his occupational permit disciplined pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1. sections 49.4.a.2. and 51.1.a.

The Dexamethasone positive in "Karthian Dream" is Mr. Rose's First Offense in this category for a medication/substance violation in 365 days.

The permit holder has accumulated 0 points under the multiple medication violation point system as a result of this issuance. Mr. Rose is assessed ½ point for this Dexamethasone medication/substance violation pursuant to section 49.3.m. of 178 of W.Va.C.S.R.1.

The Stewards determine the appropriate penalty for the underlying offense on a case by case basis by considering mitigating and aggravating factors. The following is an analysis of the factors set forth in section 49.1 of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule:

1. **(Mitigating) The Permit holder's past record:** The permit holder has not had a violation in this class category.
2. **(Mitigating) The potential of the drug to influence the horse's racing performance:** Pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, section 49.2.d, Class 4 drugs may influence performance, but generally have a more limited ability to do so. This is a mitigating factor although it is always of concern to the Stewards when a horse tests in excess of a threshold set forth in the Thoroughbred Racing Rule inasmuch as such thresholds are designed to ensure that horses aren't racing under the effects of the medication, to allow a state veterinarian conducting a pre-race examination to have as clean a look at the horse as is possible to make sure that the horse does not have some condition that would cause it to harm itself if it

aces, and to ensure the integrity of racing so that horse's aren't racing under the effect of a medication that could affect performance.

3. **(Mitigating) The legal availability of the oral application: Dexamethasone** is legally available.
4. **Whether there is reason to believe the permit holder knew of the administration of the drug or intentional administered the drug:** Inasmuch as there was no hearing in this matter it was not established whether or not the permit holder knew of the administration of the drug, nor the circumstances under which the drug may have been given. Therefore this factor is considered in weighing the penalty in this case.
5. **The probability of environmental contamination exposure due to human use:** This factor is not applicable to this case.
6. **The purse of the race:** The race in question was a **Claiming** race with a **\$12,400 purse**. The Stewards place no weight, either aggravating or mitigating, based upon the purse in this case.
7. **Whether the drug found was one for which the horse was receiving as a treatment as documented by the treating veterinarian licensed to practice in West Virginia and holding an occupational permit issued by the Racing Commission:** Inasmuch as there was no hearing in this matter it was not established whether or not "Karpathan Dream" was treated with **Dexamethasone** therefore, this factor is not considered in weighing the penalty in this case.
8. **Whether there was any suspicious betting pattern in the race:** There is no evidence of a suspicious betting pattern in this case and therefore, this factor is not considered in weighing the penalty in this case.

Based on the above, the Stewards hereby impose the following penalty for the underlying offense:

**Mr. Rose's horse "Karpathan Dream" will be disqualified from all purse money**, this disqualification is justified due to the irrefutable drug positive, and **Mr. Rose will have a total of a ¼ point on his record**. The **Dexamethasone** positive, **being the first medication violation** in this class category in 365 days. **Mr. Rose is fined \$1000.00 dollars.**

**The horse "Karpathan Dream" is disqualified from all purse money. Redistribution is as following:**

1. #7 Dream Street Rose
2. #6 Hannahs Red Ruby
3. #9 Just Have Faith
4. #4 Cut Him Loose
5. #2 Lil Sweezey
6. #8 Mitole Candy

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within **Seven (7) days** after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n.

You have the right to appeal this Ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 Days of your receipt of this Ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of \$500.00.

**Dated: January 6, 2026**

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #2**

Jockey, **Juan M. Nunez**, Permit: #83359, DOB: 07/15/1999 is hereby fined **\$500.00 (FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS)** for violation of **Rule of Racing, Number 178-1-45.7.c.1**, which reads: "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." And **45.7.c.2**. 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.

Jockey **Nunez** let his mount "**Marilyn Moonroe**" drift in nearing the top of the stretch taking the room away from "**Diakonissa**" forcing that rival to take causing a chain reaction eventually causing "**Xanthe**" to clip heels and fall in the **Seventh Race, Saturday, January 3, 2026**.

**"Marilyn Moonroe" was disqualified from Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) and placed Ninth(9<sup>th</sup>)**

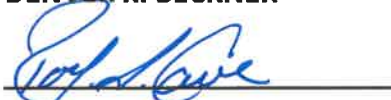
All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within Seven (7) days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia **Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n**.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #3**

Jockey, **Christian J. Maldonado**, Permit: #81054, DOB: 09/04/2003 is hereby fined **\$250.00 (TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS )** for violation of **Rule of Racing, Number 178-1-45.7.c.1**, which reads: "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." And 45.7.c.2. 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.

Jockey **Maldonado** let his mount **"Count The Flowers"** angle in down the stretch impeding with **"Verdi's Surprise"** in the **Fourth Race, Thursday, January 8, 2026.**

**"Count the Flowers" was disqualified from Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) and placed Fifth (5<sup>th</sup>)**

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within Seven (7) days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia **Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n.**

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #4****Trainer: Angelo Jackson****Permit #83271**

On **January 27, 2026**, the Board of Stewards offered a hearing to **Owner/Trainer, Angelo Jackson, Permit #83271, DOB 08/15/1964**, to which he waived his right to a hearing and elected not to send a split sample.

**The Board of stewards find the following:**

The official blood sample **#E567142**, taken on **01/03/2026** was reported by Industrial Laboratories, the official testing laboratory, to contain **Dexamethasone** which is a **Class 4** drug, with a **C Penalty**, designation. Sample **#E567142** contained **Dexamethasone** confirmed in the blood at **29 pg/mL**. The measurement uncertainty of the method is **0.69 pg/mL** at the threshold of **5 pg/mL**. The sample was taken from the **Five (5) horse, "No Direction"** which ran in the **1st Race on 01/03/2026, finishing first**.

Pursuant to **178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, section 24.11.o**, The Stewards are authorized to take disciplinary action against a permit holder for violating any provision of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule.

Pursuant to section **51.1.a, of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule, 178 W.Va.C.S.R.1**: "The trainer is the absolute insurer of and responsible for the condition of the horses he or she enters in an official workout or a race, regardless of the acts of third parties. If testing or analysis of urine, blood or other bodily substances or tissues prove positive showing the presence of any prohibited drug, medication or substance, the trainer of the horse may be fined, suspended, have his or her occupational permit revoked, be prohibited access to all grounds under the jurisdiction of the Racing Commission, or may be otherwise disciplined. In addition, the owner of the horse, the foreman in charge of the horse, the groom, and any other person shown to have had the care, attendance of the horse may be fined, suspended, have his or her occupational permit revoked, be prohibited access to all grounds under the jurisdiction of the Racing Commission, or may be otherwise disciplined."

Pursuant to **178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, section 49.4.a.2.**, a finding by a Racing Commission approved laboratory of a prohibited drug, chemical or other substance in a test specimen of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited drug, chemical or other substance was administered to the horse, and in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating. Prohibited substances included controlled therapeutic medications in excess of established threshold concentrations as set forth in the Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule, Version 3.2., contained in Table 178-1 F of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule.

Pursuant to **178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, Table 178-1 F**, Because the amount of **Dexamethasone** in **"No Direction"** exceeded the acceptable threshold set forth in **Table 178-1 F**. **Mr. Jackson** may be held responsible and his occupational permit disciplined pursuant to **178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1. sections 49.4.a.2. and 51.1.a.**

The **Dexamethasone** positive in **"No Direction"** is **Mr. Jackson's Second Offense** in this category for a medication/substance violation in **365 days**.

The permit holder has accumulated **0.5 points** under the multiple medication violation point system as a result of this issuance. **Mr. Jackson** is assessed **0.5 point** for this **Dexamethasone** medication/substance violation pursuant to section **49.3.m. of 178 of W.Va.C.S.R.1.**

The Stewards determine the appropriate penalty for the underlying offense on a case by case basis by considering mitigating and aggravating factors. The following is an analysis of the factors set forth in section **49.1 of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule**:

1. **(Mitigating) The Permit holder's past record:** This is the permit holder's second violation in this class category in the last **365 days**
2. **(Mitigating) The potential of the drug to influence the horse's racing performance:** Pursuant to **178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, section 49.2.d**, **Class 4** drugs may influence performance, but generally have a more limited ability to do so. This is a mitigating factor although it is always of concern to the Stewards when a horse tests in excess of a threshold set forth in the Thoroughbred Racing Rule inasmuch as such thresholds are designed to ensure that horses aren't racing under the effects of the medication, to allow a state veterinarian conducting a pre-race examination to have as clean a look at the horse as is possible to make sure that the horse does not have some condition that would cause it to harm itself if it

racers, and to ensure the integrity of racing so that horse's aren't racing under the effect of a medication that could affect performance.

3. **(Mitigating) The legal availability of the oral application: Dexamethasone** is legally available.
4. **Whether there is reason to believe the permit holder knew of the administration of the drug or intentional administered the drug:** Inasmuch as there was no hearing in this matter it was not established whether or not the permit holder knew of the administration of the drug, nor the circumstances under which the drug may have been given. Therefore this factor is considered in weighing the penalty in this case.
5. **The probability of environmental contamination exposure due to human use:** This factor is not applicable to this case.
6. **The purse of the race:** The race in question was a **Maiden** race with a **\$30,600** purse. The Stewards place no weight, either aggravating or mitigating, based upon the purse in this case.
7. **Whether the drug found was one for which the horse was receiving as a treatment as documented by the treating veterinarian licensed to practice in West Virginia and holding an occupational permit issued by the Racing Commission:** Inasmuch as there was no hearing in this matter it was not established whether or not **"No Direction"** was treated with **Dexamethasone** therefore, this factor is not considered in weighing the penalty in this case.
8. **Whether there was any suspicious betting pattern in the race:** There is no evidence of a suspicious betting pattern in this case and therefore, this factor is not considered in weighing the penalty in this case.

Based on the above, the Stewards hereby impose the following penalty for the underlying offense:

**Mr. Jackson's horse "No Direction", will be disqualified from all purse money, this disqualification is justified due to the irrefutable drug positive, and Mr. Jackson will have a total of 1 point on his record. The Dexamethasone positive, being the second medication violation in this class category in 365 days. Mr. Jackson is fined \$1500.00 dollars. Also Mr. Jackson will be suspended Fifteen Days (15), from February 1, 2026 to and including February 15, 2026.**

**The horse "No Direction" is disqualified from all purse money. Redistribution is as following:**

1. #2 Sweet Lime
2. #1 I'd Rather Not
3. #7 Belle Cause
4. #8 Stella's Candy
5. #3 Chelsea's Dream
6. #4 Peach Parfait

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within **Seven (7) days** after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n.

You have the right to appeal this Ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 Days of your receipt of this Ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of \$500.00.

**Dated: January 29, 2026**

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #5**

Groom, **Brandon Campbell**, Permit #86878, DOB 09/26/1989, is hereby fined **Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** for being in violation of rule **#178-1-24.14.1.c** which reads in part; "other than racing officials, members of the Racing Commission or its representatives, representatives of jockeys, and necessary jockey room attendants are admitted to the jockey room on a day of racing without the express permission of the stewards for each time of entry;"

**Mr. Campbell** entered the Jockey's Room without permission on **Friday, February 6, 2026**.

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within seven (7) Calendar days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per Rule of Racing Number **178-1-8.5.n**.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #6**

Jockey, **Christian Hiraldo**, Permit: #82728, DOB: 08/16/1992 is hereby fined **\$250.00 (TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS )** for violation of **Rule of Racing, Number 178-1-45.7.c.1**, which reads: "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." And 45.7.c.2. 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.

Jockey **Hiraldo** let his mount "**Tree of Dem**" angle in down the stretch impeding with "**Hot Wings**" in the Eighth Race, Friday, February 13, 2026.

**"Tree of Dem" was disqualified from First (1<sup>st</sup>) and placed Third (3<sup>rd</sup>)**

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within Seven (7) days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia **Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n**.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

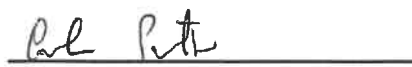
**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #7**

Owner/Trainer, **Anthony Farrior** DOB 11/04/1981 Permit #85673 is hereby fined **FIVE HUNDRED (\$500)** Dollars for violation of **178-1-26.3.f**. Each trainer is responsible for ensuring that horses are entered as to eligibility and weight or other allowances claimed.

Along with **Association Rule** which reads, "If a horse is claimed, it shall not start in a selling or claiming race **(a)** for a period of fifteen (15) days from the date of the claim for less than twenty-five percent (25%) more than the amount for which it was claimed and **(b)** for thirty (30) days from the date of the claim for less than the amount for which it was claimed." The day claimed shall not count but the following calendar day shall be considered the first day and the horse shall be entitled to enter whenever necessary so the horse may start on the thirty-first calendar day following the claim for any claiming price...

The horse "**Yankee Doodle Kid**" who finished third was not eligible to race in the **Fourth Race (4<sup>th</sup>)** on **Thursday, March 12, 2026**.

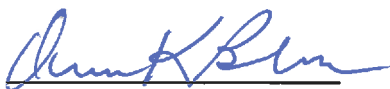
The horse "**Yankee Doodle Kid**" is disqualified from all purse money. Redistribution is as following:

1. #6 Juba's Notion
2. #4 Defiant Giant
3. #3 No Love for Juba
4. #2 Strollinginthewind

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid shall be paid to Racing Commission within (7) seven calendar days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of the ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of \$500.00.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



DENVER K. BECKNER



ROY S. CAVE



CARLOS A. PARTIDA

**RULING #8**

Jockey, **Juan M. Nunez**, Permit: #83359, DOB: 07/15/1999 is hereby fined **\$500.00 (FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS)** for violation of **Rule of Racing, Number 178-1-45.7.c.1**, which reads: "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." And 45.7.c.2. 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.

Jockey **Nunez** steered his mount "**Marilyn Moonroe**" in nearing the top of the stretch taking the room away from "**First Pearl**" forcing that rival to take up in the **Fourth Race, Friday, April 17, 2026**.

**"Marilyn Moonroe" was disqualified from Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) and placed Sixth (6<sup>th</sup>)**

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within Seven (7) days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia **Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n**.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROYS S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

## RULING #9

Apprentice Jockey, **Nomar Arroyo Bueno**, Permit: #88323, DOB: 04/13/2006 is hereby fined **\$500.00 (FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS)** for violation of **Rule of Racing, Number 178-1-45.7.c.1**, which reads: "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." And 45.7.c.2. 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.

Jockey **Arroyo Bueno** let his mount "**Carolina Nights**" come in nearing the quarter pole taking the room away from "**No Direction**" forcing that rival to take up in the **Second Race, Friday, April 18, 2026.**

**"Carolina Nights" was disqualified from Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) and placed Fourth (4<sup>th</sup>)**

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within Seven (7) days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia **Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n.**

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:

  
DENVER K. BECKNER

  
ROY S. CAVE

  
CARLOS A. PARTIDA

**RULING #10**

Apprentice Jockey, **Nomar Arroyo Bueno**, Permit: #88323, DOB: 04/13/2006 is hereby **suspended six racing days, Thursday, May 7, Friday, May 8, Saturday, May 9, Thursday, May 14, Friday, May 15, Saturday, May 16, 2026** or violation of **Rule of Racing, Number 178-1-45.7.c.1**, which reads: "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."

Jockey **Arroyo Bueno's** mount **"Itza Kitty"** lugged in turning for home, taking the room away from **"Brand New Dance"** and **"Justice You Say"** causing their riders to take up in the **First Race, Thursday, April 30, 2026.**

**"Itza Kitty"** was disqualified from First (1<sup>st</sup>) and placed Fifth (5<sup>th</sup>)

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within Seven (7) days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia **Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n.**

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**

  
DENVER K. BECKNER

  
CARLOS A. PARTIDA

  
L. ROBERT LOTTS

**RULING #11**

Jockey, **Christian J. Maldonado**, Permit: #81054, DOB: 09/04/2003 is hereby fined **\$250.00 (TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS )** for violation of **Rule of Racing, Number 178-1-45.7.c.1**, which reads: "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." And **45.7.c.2**. 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.

Jockey **Maldonado's** mount "**Hellenic Spirit**" ducked out down the stretch impeding with "**Saichi's Girl**" and "**Amama**" in the **Fifth Race, Thursday, April 30, 2026**.

**"Hellenic Spirit" was disqualified from First (1<sup>st</sup>) and placed Fourth (4<sup>th</sup>)**

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within Seven (7) days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia **Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n**.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**



**L. ROBERT LOTTS**

**RULING #12**

Jockey, **Juan M. Nunez**, Permit #83359 DOB: 07/15/1995 is fined **One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)** for being in violation of **Rule 178-1-45.5d** applicable part which reads. Any overweight shall be declared by a jockey to the clerk of scales at the time appointed in advance of a race. The clerk of scales shall report to the stewards any failure on the part of any jockey to comply with this subdivision.

Jockey **Nunez** failed to make his reported weight on **Friday May 1, 2026**.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**



**L. ROBERT LOTTS**

**RULING #13**

**Apprentice Jockey's** license of **Felino Lima**, Permit #88671 DOB 02/13/1991 has been rescinded without prejudice upon application as an **Jockey**.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**

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**DENVER K. BECKNER**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Roy S. Cave", written over a horizontal line.

**ROY S. CAVE**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Carlos A. Partida", written over a horizontal line.

**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #14**

Jockey, **Victor A. Rodriguez**, Permit: #83262, DOB: 07/12/1981 is hereby fined **\$500.00 (FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS)** for violation of **Rule of Racing, Number 178-1-45.7.c.1**, which reads: "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." And 45.7.c.2. 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.

Jockey **Rodriguez** let his mount "**Policy Change**" come in near the five-eighths pole taking the room away from "**Skip Forward**" forcing that rival to clip heels and take up in the **Eighth Race, Saturday, May 16, 2026.**

**"Policy Change"** was disqualified from First (1<sup>st</sup>) and placed Fifth (5<sup>th</sup>)

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within Seven (7) days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia **Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n.**

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #15**

Jockey, **Gerald Almodovar**, Permit: #86165, DOB: 09/25/1985 is hereby fined **\$500.00 (FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS)** for violation of **Rule of Racing, Number 178-1-45.7.c.1**, which reads: "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." And 45.7.c.2. 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.

Jockey **Almodovar** let his mount **"Cowgirl Attitude"** come out crossing the chute taking the room away from **"Ruby Bay"** forcing that rival to take up in the **First Race, Friday, May 29, 2026**.

**"Cowgirl Attitude" was disqualified from First (1<sup>st</sup>) and placed Third (3<sup>rd</sup>)**

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within Seven (7) days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia **Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n**.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**

  
**DENVER K. BECKNER**

  
**ROY S. CAVE**

  
**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #16**

Jockey **Juan Mauricio Nunez**, Permit #83359, DOB 7/15/1999, is hereby fined **Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)** for being in violation of Rule **178-1-45.5d** applicable part which reads. Any overweight shall be declared by a jockey to the clerk of scales at the time appointed in advance of a race. The clerk of scales shall report to the stewards any failure on the part of any jockey to comply with this subdivision.

Jockey **Nunez** failed to make his reported weight on **Saturday, May 30, 2026**.

Jockey **Nunez** is a repeat offender of this rule.

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within seven (7) Calendar days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per Rule of Racing Number **178-1-8.5.n**.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS**

  
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**RULING #17**

Owner/Trainer, **Robert I. Inman** DOB 07/19/1952 Permit #82253 is hereby fined **TWO HUNDRED (\$200) Dollars** for violation of **178-1-26.3.G**. Which reads: Each trainer is responsible for presenting his or her horse and being present in the paddock at a time appointed before post time of the race in which the horse is entered.

**Mr. Inman** failed to have the horse **"Man On the Moon"** present in the paddock for the **Seventh (7<sup>th</sup>)** race on **Thursday, June 4, 2026** necessitating a late scratch.

**"Man On the Moon"** is entered on **June 9, 2026** in the **Eighth (8<sup>th</sup>)** race at **Mountaineer Park**.

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid shall be paid to Racing Commission within (7) seven calendar days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of the ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of \$500.00.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**

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**DENVER K. BECKNER**

A blue ink signature of Roy S. Cave, written in a cursive style, positioned above a horizontal line.

**ROY S. CAVE**

A blue ink signature of Carlos A. Partida, written in a cursive style, positioned above a horizontal line.

**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #18**

Owner/Trainer **Kevin M. Boykins**, Permit #88468, DOB 04/27/1960, is hereby fined **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** for not having the horse, "**Cedar Runs Fiber**" in the paddock at the appointed time for the running of the **First (1<sup>st</sup>) Race on Thursday June 11, 2026** necessitating a late scratch, **Per Rule of Racing #178-1-26.3.g**, which states "Each Trainer is responsible for presenting his or her horse and being present in the paddock at a time appointed before post time of the race in which the horse is entered."

All fines imposed by the stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within (7) Calendar days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the stewards.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of the ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five (\$500.00) Hundred.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**

  
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**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING NUMBER #19**

Trainer, **Diana McClure** Permit #85670, DOB 07/24/1962, is hereby fined **One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)** for violation of West Virginia Rule of Racing Number **178-1-49.7.e.1.**, which reads in part: "A horse scheduled to race that is permitted to use furosemide(Lasix) shall be administered furosemide(Lasix) by a veterinarian employed by the owner or trainer and holding a permit issued by the Racing Commission, unless, under subdivision 49.7.f. of this rule, the horse has been declared off of furosemide (Lasix) by its owner or trainer. The Furosemide (Lasix) must be administered a minimum of four (4) hours before the scheduled post time for the race in which the horse is entered and must be administered under the supervision of a person employed by the Racing Commission."

**Ms. McClure** failed to have the horse "**Salty Lime**" available for Lasix treatment at appropriate time, necessitating a late scratch in the **First Race on Friday, June 12, 2026.**

All fines imposed by the stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within seven (7) calendar days after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards.

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #20**

Jockey, **Christian J. Maldonado**, Permit #86429 DOB 09/04/2003 is fined **One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)** for being in violation of **Rules 178-1-45.7.f.5.** applicable part which reads. A rider who elects to use a riding crop, may not: **45.7.f.5.A.** Use the crop more than six (6) times during the race; and **45.7.f.5.B.** Use the crop more than two (2) times without allowing the horse to respond

Jockey **Maldonado** used his crop excessively in **Race 2** on **Friday, June 12, 2026.**

You have the right to appeal this ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 days of your receipt of this ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

## RULING #21

Owner/Trainer, Kevin J. Joy

Permit #87206

On Friday May 29, 2026 the Board of Stewards offered a hearing to Owner/Trainer, Kevin J. Joy Permit #87206, DOB 3/18/1965 to which he waived his right to a hearing regarding a medication violation pertaining to his horse "Ur Fabulous" who finished first (1<sup>st</sup>) in the Eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) race on Saturday, May 9, 2026.

The Stewards hereby find the following: The official blood sample #E683238 taken on 5/09/26 was reported by Industrial Laboratories, the official testing laboratory, to contain Flunixin which is a Class 4 drug, with a C Penalty, designation. Sample #E683238 contained 104 ng/ml of Flunixin. The sample was taken from the Two (2) horse, "Ur Fabulous" which ran in the 1st Race on 5/09/26, finishing first.

Mr. Joy elected to have a split sample tested. The split #E683238 was sent to EQIAS Labs and was received on 06/11/2026 and reported on 06/30/2026. Sample #E683238 contained 109.6 ng/ml which is above the permissible level for this drug, confirming the presences of the drug Flunixin.

Pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, section 24.11.o, The Stewards are authorized to take disciplinary action against a permit holder for violating any provision of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule.

Pursuant to section 51.1.a, of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule, 178 W.Va.C.S.R.1: "The trainer is the absolute insurer of and responsible for the condition of the horses he or she enters in an official workout or a race, regardless of the acts of third parties. If testing or analysis of urine, blood or other bodily substances or tissues prove positive showing the presence of any prohibited drug, medication or substance, the trainer of the horse may be fined, suspended, have his or her occupational permit revoked, be prohibited access to all grounds under the jurisdiction of the Racing Commission, or may be otherwise disciplined. In addition, the owner of the horse, the foreman in charge of the horse, the groom, and any other person shown to have had the care, attendance of the horse may be fined, suspended, have his or her occupational permit revoked, be prohibited access to all grounds under the jurisdiction of the Racing Commission, or may be otherwise disciplined."

Pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, section 49.4.a.2., a finding by a Racing Commission approved laboratory of a prohibited drug, chemical or other substance in a test specimen of a horse is prima facie evidence that the prohibited drug, chemical or other substance was administered to the horse, and in the case of a post-race test, was present in the horse's body while it was participating. Prohibited substances included controlled therapeutic medications in excess of established threshold concentrations as set forth in the Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule, Version 3.2., contained in Table 178-1 F of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule

Pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, Table 178-1 F, Because the amount of Flunixin in "Ur Fabulous" exceeded the acceptable threshold set forth in Table 178-1 F, Mr. Joy may be held responsible and his occupational permit disciplined pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, sections 49.4.a.2. and 51.1.a.

This violation is Mr. Joy's first in this category for a medication/substance violation in a 365 days period.

The permit holder has accumulated 0 points under the multiple medication violation point system. Mr. Joy is assessed ½ point for this medication/substance violation pursuant to section 49.3.m. of 178 of W.Va.C.S.R.1.

The Stewards determine the appropriate penalty for the underlying offense on a case by case basis by considering mitigating and aggravating factors. The following is an analysis of the factors set forth in section 49.1 of the Thoroughbred Racing Rule:

1. **(Mitigating) The Permit holder's past record:** Mr. Joy's first in this category for a medication/substance violation in a 365 days period.
2. **(Mitigating) The potential of the drug to influence the horse's racing performance:** Pursuant to 178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, section 49.2.d, Class 4 drugs may influence performance, but generally have a more limited ability to do so. This is a mitigating factor although it is always of concern to the Stewards when a horse tests in excess of a threshold set forth in the Thoroughbred Racing Rule inasmuch as such thresholds are designed to ensure that horses aren't racing under the effects of the medication, to allow a state veterinarian conducting a pre-race examination to have as clean a look at the

horse as is possible to make sure that the horse does not have some condition that would cause it to harm itself if it races, and to ensure the integrity of racing so that horses aren't racing under the effect of a medication that could affect performance.

3. **(Mitigating) The legal availability of the drug: Flunixin** is legally available.
4. **Whether there is reason to believe the permit holder knew of the administration of the drug or intentionally administered the drug:** Inasmuch as there was no hearing in this matter it was not established whether or not the permit holder knew of the administration of the drug, or the circumstances under which the drug may have been given. Therefore this factor is not considered in weighing the penalty in this case.
5. **The steps taken by the trainer to safeguard the horse:** Inasmuch as there was no hearing in this case it is unknown what efforts the trainer made to ensure that the treatment of the horse with **Flunixin** was done within the withdrawal guidelines and dosing specifications set forth in **178 W. Va. C.S.R. 1, Table 178-1 F**, so as to avoid a positive. Therefore this factor is not considered in weighing the penalty in this case.
6. **The probability of environmental contamination exposure due to human use:** This factor is not applicable to this case.
7. **The purse of the race:** The race in question was a **Maiden** race with a **\$32,900** purse. The Stewards place no weight, either aggravating or mitigating, based upon the purse in this case.
8. **Whether the drug found was one for which the horse was receiving as a treatment as documented by the treating veterinarian licensed to practice in West Virginia and holding an occupational permit issued by the Racing Commission:** Inasmuch as there was no hearing in this matter it was not established whether or not the horse was being treated by a veterinarian with **Flunixin**. Therefore, this factor is not considered in weighing the penalty in this case.
9. **Whether there was any suspicious betting pattern in the race:** There is no evidence of a suspicious betting pattern in this case and therefore, this factor is not considered in weighing the penalty in this case.
10. **Whether the trainer was acting under the advice of a veterinarian licensed to practice in West Virginia and holding an occupational permit issued by the Racing Commission:** Inasmuch as there was no hearing in this matter it was not established whether or not the horse was being treated with **Flunixin** by a veterinarian. Therefore, this factor is not considered in weighing the penalty in this case.

Based on the above, the Stewards hereby impose the following penalty for the underlying offense:

**Mr. Joy's horse "Ur Fabulous" will be disqualified from all purse money and Mr. Joy will have a total of 0.5 point on his record. With the Flunixin positive being the first medication violation in 365 day. Mr. Joy is fined \$1000 dollars. The horse "Ur Fabulous" is disqualified from all purse money; The distribution is as follows.**

1. #5 Miss Fortunate
2. #7 Jane N Margo
3. #4 Apicturesworth
4. #8 Cajun Prime
5. #3 Lookinforjoybaloo
6. #6 Tiz a Monster

All fines imposed by the Stewards shall be paid to the Racing Commission within **Seven (7) days** after the ruling is issued, unless otherwise ordered by the Stewards, Per West Virginia Rule of Racing Number 178-1-8.5.n.

You have the right to appeal this Ruling to the Racing Commission. Your appeal must be received in the Commission Office within 20 Days of your receipt of this Ruling and must include a security fee in the amount of \$500.00.

**Dated: July 1, 2026**

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARD:**



**DENVER K. BECKNER**



**ROY S. CAVE**



**CARLOS A. PARTIDA**

**RULING #22**

**Owner's** license of **Steven C. Silver**, Permit **#88465** DOB 08/30/1967 has been rescinded without prejudice at the request of the permit holder.

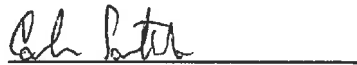
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