

FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Mar 22 - Thu, Mar 28

PART ONE

The following action has been taken by the United States Trotting Association. This information is in an abbreviated form.

*** NO RECORDS FOUND ***

PART TWO - MAJOR PENALTIES

The following actions published herein and imposed pursuant to the rules and regulations of the racing commissions of the various states and provinces are given full faith and credit and strictly enforced by the United States Trotting Association consistent with the provisions of USTA Rule 22, Sections 7 and 8 relative to RECIPROCITY OF PENALTIES. The fact that there is no separate action taken by the USTA in the form of a "ruling of reciprocity" shall not be construed as a failure to recognize and/or reciprocate with these published penalties. Please note that the following action is in an abbreviated form and that the USTA is not responsible for the accuracy or timeliness of reported penalties. Further information may be available by contacting the racing commission where the ruling was issued to determine the accuracy of the information.

BAILEY, LEON B
Stga on 3/17/2024

GREENWICH, NY **YOB 1986**
FINED: \$500
FULL - 30 DAYS, 3/19/2024 THRU 4/17/2024

FIGHTING

On Sunday 03/17/2024 following the 2nd race at Saratoga Harness, Leon Bailey did assault another licensee, by striking him. This is conduct detrimental to the best interest of racing. Having appeared before a representative of the New York State Gaming Commission and waving his right to a formal hearing and right to appeal, Leon Bailey is issued a Sixty (60) day (reduced to Thirty (30) days without appeal) full Suspension of his occupational license beginning 03/19/2024 through and including 04/17/2024. Furthermore, Leon Bailey is fined One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) (reduced to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) without appeal). Further violations of this nature may result in greater penalties.

BATESON, CASE A
Nfld on 3/13/2024

MIAMISBURG, OH **YOB 2001**
FINED: \$500
DRIVING - 10 DAYS, 3/21/2024 THRU 3/30/2024

FIGHTING

Mr. Bateson engaged in a physical altercation with another driver on the race track after race 13 on 3/13/24. His action was against the best interest of racing. Mr. Bateson had a hearing with the judges on 3/19/24. He is hereby fined \$1000 and suspended from driving for 20 days. The penalty will be reduced to a fine of \$500 and 10 days driving suspension if not appealed. O.S.R.C.-3769-12-26(A)(10) 3769-17-29(5) The fine must be paid by 3/29/24. Mr. Bateson has 48 hours to appeal this ruling.

BRAINARD, TRACY L
PHL on 7/2/2019

DELEON SPRINGS, FL **YOB 1976**
RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF
3/27/2024

FAILURE TO PAY FINE(S)

PA Code Title 58- 183.391 Ms. Brainard is issued an indefinite full suspension (commencing 07/02/2019) for failure to pay the fine(\$10,000) from ruling 17226CD. Appeals are due within ten days of ruling and must be submitted in writing to: The

Pennsylvania State Horse Racing Commission, 2301 N. Cameron St, Room 301, Harrisburg, PA 17110 ATTN: Anthony Salerno
Status as of 3/27/2024 - Subsequent Ruling - Ruling #24004C Having paid the \$10,000 fine associated with Ruling # 17226CD on February 20, 2020, Ms. Brainard has been restored to good standing.

CUSHING, MITCHELL D
Stga on 3/17/2024

ORIENT, OH **YOB 1998**
FINED: \$250
FULL - 10 DAYS, 3/21/2024 THRU 3/30/2024

DISTURBING THE PEACE

On 03/17/2024 at Saratoga Harness during the second race while driving #1 MANNY L, Mitchell Cushing did fail to conduct himself in a forthright, gentlemanly manner. This action was detrimental to the best interests of racing. Having appeared before a representative of the New York State Gaming Commission and waiving his right to a formal hearing and right to appeal, Mitchell Cushing is issued a Twenty (20) day (reduced to Ten (10) days without appeal), full suspension of his occupational license 03/21/2024 through and including 04/09/2024. Furthermore, Mitchell Cushing is fined Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) (reduced to Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) without appeal.) Further violations of this nature may result in greater penalties.

FIORITA, VINCENT L
PHL on 10/25/2023

WOOSTER, OH **YOB 1957**
RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF
3/28/2024

FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

PA Code Title 7-203.23(b) 203.11(a&e) Failure to complete PA owner licensing requirement. The penalties are a \$50 fine (fines are due within ten days of ruling) and an indefinite suspension beginning November 5, 2023. Appeals are due within ten days of ruling and must be submitted in writing (accompanied by a \$750 bond) to: The PA State Horse Racing Commission, 2301 N. Cameron St., Room 304, Harrisburg, PA 17110 ATTN: Anthony Salerno

Status as of 3/28/2024 - Subsequent Ruling - This ruling serves to retract ruling #23141CD as it was written in error. Vincent Fiorita is restored to good standing.

HAWK, ALEXANDER D
Nfld on 2/17/2024

CIRCLEVILLE, OH **YOB 1992**
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION(IND) AS OF 3/23/2024

UNPAID OBLIGATION

Mr. Hawk is hereby suspended until he pays the fines (\$100) per ruling 2024-NFLD-018 and (\$200) per ruling 2024-NFLD-039 at Northfield Park. O.S.R.C.-3769-17-36

PARKER, WILLIAM L JR
MR on 3/12/2024

MONTICELLO, NY **YOB 1953**
FINED: \$1,000
FULL - 60 DAYS, 3/29/2024 THRU 5/27/2024
HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 7, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- PRE RACE

Rule 4105.6 4120.4 4120.5 4120.14 William Parker Jr. as trainer of record for the horse HIGHBORN 2nd place finisher in the 2nd race on March 12, 2024, at Monticello Raceway is hereby assessed a penalty of \$1,000.00 and suspended for a period of 60 days. Pre-race analysis of the sample submitted indicated that the TCO2 level exceeded the allowable level permitted in the above-stated rules. HIGHBORN finished 2nd is hereby disqualified and placed last. All purse monies paid must be returned and redistributed. The horse HIGHBORN must test in compliance with the above stated rules and must submit to a 6-hour pre-race detention each time raced for a period of 6 months, 03/13/2024 through 09/13/2024 without regard to whether the horse is transferred to a new owner or trainer. During the term of suspension William Parker Jr. will be denied the privilege of and access to all grounds under the supervision of the NYSGC. All horses owned or trained by William Parker Jr. shall be denied the privilege of participating in racing during the term of suspension without transfer to other licensee(s) approved by the Judges. (1st offense in this category)

SCHADEL, TODD M**SPRING GLEN, PA****YOB 1967**

PcD on 3/19/2024

FINED: \$500

DRIVING - 10 DAYS, 3/26/2024 THRU 4/4/2024

UNSATISFACTORY DRIVE -LACK OF EFFORT

PA Code 7-205.405(b) Todd Schadel was the driver of #7 SHOWBOAT HANOVER when the horse competed in Race 4 on 3/19/2024 at Pocono Downs. During the stretch drive of the 4th race, Mr. Schadel did fail to drive his horse properly to the finish line, His actions resulted in an unsatisfactory due to carelessness or lack of effort and was not consistent with the public interest or the interests of racing. Todd Schadel has been suspended from Driving for 10 days and fined \$500. The driving suspension will begin Tuesday March 26 and continue through and including April 4, 2024. The fine must be paid within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Schadel did waive the right to appeal. Subsequent violations may result in increased penalties.

SCOTT, DERIK D**LEBANON, OH****YOB UNKN**

Nfld on 2/10/2024

FINED: \$250

FALSIFICATION OF LICENSE APPLICATION

Mr. Scott falsified his 2024 OSRC license application by failing to list his prior arrest record. He had a hearing with the judges on 3/23/24. Mr. Scott is hereby fined \$500. The penalty will be reduced to a fine of \$250 if not appealed. O.S.R.C.-3769-12-26(A)(7) The fine must be paid by 4/2/24.

SLABAUGH, PHINEAS**WOOSTER, OH****YOB UNKN**

Nfld on 2/7/2024

FINED: \$250

FALSIFICATION OF LICENSE APPLICATION

Mr. Slabaugh falsified his 2024 OSRC license application by failing to list his prior arrest record. He had a hearing with the judges on 3/20/24. Mr. Slabaugh is hereby fined \$500.

The penalty will be reduced to a fine of \$250 if not appealed. O.S.R.C.-3769-12-26(A)(7)
The fine must be paid by 4/2/24.

ZITTRITSCH, PAULA L
PHL on 10/25/2023

DUNLAP, IL **YOB 1967**
RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF
3/28/2024

FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

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Status as of 3/28/2024 - Subsequent Ruling - This ruling serves to retract ruling #23140CD as it was written in error. Paula Zittritsch is restored to good standing.

PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

BARTLETT, JASON JAMES
PcD on 3/23/2024

GOSHEN, NY
FINED: \$200

YOB 1981

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

PA Code 7-205.409(c)(3) While driving #2 SQUADRON SEELSTER in race 1 on 3/23/2024 at Pocono Downs, Jason Bartlett did violate the whipping rule after the start. He did use an exaggerated motion not restricted to wrist and elbow action only and did raise the whipping arm above shoulder height. Mr. Bartlett has been fined \$200 which must be paid within 10 days of the ruling.

DODSON, JAMES CALVIN
Mea on 3/21/2024

HOUSTON, PA
FINED: \$200

YOB 1990

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

PA Code Title 7: 205.409(c) Mr. Dodson used more that wrist and elbow action and raised his whipping arm above shoulder height when driving #1, JACKS ON THE BEACH in the Meadows` 11th race on March 21, 2024. Mr. Dodson is fined \$200 (fines are due within ten days of ruling) and has waived his hearing/appeal rights.

KENNEDY, JAMES E
CaIX on 3/15/2024

WILTON, CA
FINED: \$250

YOB 1978

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

CAL EXPO Driver JAMES KENNEDY, who drove NO.3 EDITORIAL in the second race on Friday, March 15, 2024, is hereby fined the sum of two-hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars for violation of CHRB Whipping Rule #1734(b) (Whipping shall be restricted to elbow and wrist only). If this fine is not paid to the paymaster of purses within seven calendar days from the date of this ruling you may be suspended and/or your license revoked by the CHRB.

PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

ANNUNZIATA, MICHAEL MR on 3/18/2024 FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION	MAHOPAC, NY FINED: \$250	YOB 1977
BATESON, CASE A Nfld on 3/19/2024 JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS	MIAMISBURG, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 2001
BETTS, SCOTT R PcD on 3/25/2024 FAILURE TO HONOR DECLARATION	WASHINGTON, PA FINED: \$200	YOB 1992
BUCCI, RICKY A PcD on 3/9/2024 NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE	CAMPBELL HALL, NY FINED: \$200	YOB 1959
DAVIS, BILLY J JR Nfld on 3/24/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	GUELPH, ON FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 2	YOB 1986
DUNNING, BRYSON T PcD on 3/26/2024 NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE	CARNEYS POINT, NJ FINED: \$200	YOB 2003
FERRARI, LARRY H Nfld on 3/16/2024 JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS	MACEDONIA, OH FINED: \$100 HORSE PLACED 9	YOB 1965
FOLEY, JAMES J Fhld on 2/20/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION Fhld on 3/22/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	PLAINSBORO, NJ FINED: \$100	YOB 1986
HANNERS, ALICIA Nfld on 3/16/2024 OTHER	NEW HOLLAND, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 1979
HERRERA, JOSE A CaIX on 2/10/2024 FAILURE TO OBEY THE INSTRUCTIONS OF A RACING OFFICIAL	SACRAMENTO, CA FINED: \$50	YOB 1978

IRVINE, JUSTIN D Nfld on 3/13/2024 TALKING ON THE RACE TRACK	AURORA, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 2001
KING, LARRY D Nfld on 3/19/2024 FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE OR PROPER DECLARATION INFORMATION	WILLSHIRE, OH FINED: \$50	YOB 1942
LEMS, CHRISTOPHER E Nfld on 3/23/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	STREETSBORO, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 1986
LONG, CHRIS H Stga on 3/17/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION Stga on 3/19/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY FINED: \$100 FINED: \$100	YOB 1967
MCDANIEL, LESLEY S PcD on 3/18/2024 LATE TO THE LASIX/ DETENTION BARN	VASSALBORO, ME FINED: \$250	YOB 1994
MELLOY, PATRICK M JR MVR on 3/26/2024 JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS	EATON, OH FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 8	YOB 1967
MILLER, BRETT A MVR on 3/25/2024 FAILURE TO OBEY THE INSTRUCTION OF THE PADDOCK JUDGE	BLACKLICK, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 1973
MULLETT, JUSTIN R Nfld on 3/23/2024 OTHER	HADLEY, PA FINED: \$100	YOB 1986
NAPOLITANO, ANTHONY J PcD on 3/23/2024 KICKING A HORSE	NESCOPECK, PA FINED: \$200	YOB 1981
NAPOLITANO, GEORGE JR PcD on 3/16/2024 FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS PcD on 3/18/2024 KICKING A HORSE	BOCA RATON, FL FINED: \$200 FINED: \$200	YOB 1966

PACHECO, JESSIE L CalX on 3/17/2024 FAILURE TO WEAR A PROTECTIVE VEST	ACAMPO, CA FINED: \$50	YOB 1992
PANTALEANO, JAMES R PcD on 3/25/2024 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	CANONSBURG, PA FINED: \$200	YOB 1962
PRESLEY, CHRIS S Nfld on 3/23/2024 JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS	THORNVILLE, OH FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 6	YOB 1995
RHOADES, BRAIDEN M Mea on 3/20/2024 NO VACCINATION / COGGINS / HEALTH CERTIFICATE	NORTHFIELD, OH FINED: \$200	YOB 2005
SHORT, CHRISTOPHER LEE MVR on 3/27/2024 FAILURE TO HAVE HORSE PROPERLY EQUIPPED	CARDINGTON, OH FINED: \$200	YOB 1968
SMITH, JEREMY R MVR on 3/27/2024 JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS	WASHINGTON CH, OH FINED: \$200 HORSE PLACED 10	YOB 1980
SOWERS, MCKENZIE I Fhld on 3/16/2024 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	MONTICELLO, NY FINED: \$100	YOB 1999
THOMPSON, JASON R Nfld on 3/20/2024 OTHER	STOW, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 1979