

FINES AND SUSPENSIONS BULLETIN

Fri, Feb 6 - Thu, Feb 12

PART ONE

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

CAPONE, CAMERON M
USTA on 2/11/2026

CLARKSBURG, NJ **YOB 1999**
RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING(RES) AS OF
2/12/2026

USTA MEMBERSHIP ACTION

Membership suspended for violation of Rule 20.10 (financial responsibility).

Status as of 2/12/2026 - Subsequent Ruling – Restored to good standing.

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.

CALLAHAN, WALTER O
DD on 1/15/2026

CLAYTON, DE **YOB 1951**
FINED: \$6,000
FULL - 10 DAYS, 2/16/2026 THRU 2/25/2026
HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Walter Callahan is the trainer of Control Rocks who raced in the 12 race on 1/15/26 at Dover Downs. Control Rocks finished first, was post race tested by the DHRC veterinarian. Sample # E608175 containing blood and urine was sent to Industrial Laboratory, Oxymorphone was confirmed. Oxymorphone is a class 1 drug and its use is prohibited. Applicable DHRC rules are 5.3.2/ 5.3.2.2/ 8.3/ Mr. Callahan was offered a split sample test, Mr. Callahan signed the waiver of the split sample and the waiver of hearing. Taking into consideration Mr. Callahans record and the heavy mitigating circumstances, the DHRC board of judges issued Mr. Callahan a \$6000.00 fine, a 10 day full suspension starting 2/16/26 through 2/25/26. The purse money of \$9000.00 must be returned and redistributed. Per DHRC rule 10.2.7.6 All monies must be paid within 10 days of this ruling. No horses trained by Mr. Callahan may be transferred without approval of the presiding judge. Mr. Callahan may enter horses to race starting 2/26/26 provided the fine and purse money have been paid.

CHISHOLM, BRADLEY W
M on 1/24/2026

FREEHOLD, NJ
FINED: \$1,000

YOB 1997

OTHER

Driver Brad Chisholm is hereby fined the sum of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars. On the evening of January 24, 2026 driver Brad Chisholm appeared in the paddock at The Meadowlands Racetrack in an unfit condition to perform his duties. The fine associated with

this ruling must be received by the New Jersey Racing Commission on or before February 28, 2026. Violation of N.J.A.C. Rule 13:71-7.29 (a) 3 Violation of N.J.A.C. Rule 13:71-18.1

FERRELL, DARREN E

RcR on 1/22/2026

DELMAR, MD

FINED: \$1,500

**HORSE DISQUALIFIED - PLACED 7, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION**

YOB 1972

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Trainer Darren Ferrell was the trainer of record on horse TORRONE HANOVER in the 4th race on January 22nd, 2026 at Rosecroft Raceway. Post-race analysis of urine sample #E722470 taken from TORRONE HANOVER identified the presence of O-desmethyiltramadol (active metabolite of tramadol). As a result, Mr. Ferrell is fined \$1,500.00 and shall return all purse monies. Additionally, TORRONE HANOVER is disqualified, finishing first and shall be placed seventh. Mitigating factors were considered in the determination of this penalty. All purse monies must be returned within 72 hours of this issuance, and all fines are due within ten (10) days of the ruling. COMAR: 09.10.03.04.B. Four Multiple Medication Violation (MMV) points assessed.

FRANCE, HEATHER LYNN

MVR on 2/8/2026

OBETZ, OH

FINED: \$100

YOB 1990

FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

OSRC 3769-2-27-B, 3769-18-02. Ms. France employed an unlicensed person that took care of #7 Rockin N Talkin in both the paddock and test barn in race 7 on 2/8/26 at MVR. Ms. France is fined \$200, the penalty will be reduced to \$100 if not appealed, which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Ms. France has 48 hours to appeal this decision to the OSRC.

SAUNDERS, BRUCE N

M on 9/5/2025

HAMILTON, NJ

FINED: \$500

FULL - 15 DAYS, 2/21/2026 THRU 3/7/2026

**HORSE DISQUALIFIED, PURSE
REDISTRIBUTION**

YOB 1944

POSITIVE TEST- POST RACE

Bruce Saunders was the programmed trainer of the horse "CAMERA MAN" when he raced in the eighth race at The Meadowlands Racetrack on September 5, 2025. Following the race, "CAMERA MAN" was required to submit blood and urine for analysis. A report from Industrial Laboratories identified the presence of Betamethasone in the blood above the allowable limit. At Mr. Saunders' request, split sample testing was performed at an independent laboratory. These testing results did confirm the presence of Betamethasone. This is in direct violation of the rules and regulations of the New Jersey Racing Commission. Mr. Saunders appeared at a hearing before The Board of Judges at The Meadowlands Racetrack on January 22, 2026. As a result, Mr. Saunders is hereby issued a full suspension of his New Jersey Racing Commission license for a period of fifteen (15) days and is fined the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. Said suspension shall begin on February 21, 2026 and run through March 7, 2026 inclusive. During the period of

suspension, Mr. Saunders is denied access to all grounds that are under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Racing Commission. Consistent with N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7 the horse "CAMERA MAN" is disqualified from sharing in all purse monies earned on September 5, 2025. The fine associated with this ruling must be received by the New Jersey Racing Commission on or before March 7, 2026. MMV Points incurred 1/2 point Violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.1 (a) (b) 14 Violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.6 (a) (b) (c) (d) Violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.7 (a) (b) (c) (d) Violation of N.J.A.C. 13:71-23.8 (g) 1

YOUNG, KATO K

CHILLICOTHE, OH

YOB 1996

MVR on 2/8/2026

FINED: \$100

FAILURE TO OBTAIN PROPER LICENSE

OSRC 3769-2-27-A. Mr. Young performed duties of a groom for #7 Rockin N Talkin in race 7 on 2/8/26 at MVR, without first obtaining a 2026 OSRC License. Mr. Young is fined \$200, the penalty will be reduced to \$100 if not appealed, which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Young has 48 hours to appeal this decision to the OSRC.

MVR on 2/8/2026

FINED: \$500

CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO THE BEST INTEREST OF HORSE RACING

OSRC 3769-2-26-A(4,5&10). Mr. Young wrote down a fictitious license number while signing as a witness in the test barn for #7 Rockin N Talkin in race 7 on 2/8/26 at MVR, while not being currently licensed. Mr. Young is fined \$1000, the penalty will be reduced to \$500 if not appealed, which is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Young has 48 hours to appeal this decision to the OSRC.

PART THREE - WHIPPING VIOLATIONS

ASHER-STALBAUM, WINTER S

LESLIE, MI

YOB 2003

MR on 2/5/2026

FINED: \$500

DRIVING - 7 DAYS, 2/13/2026 THRU 2/19/2026

EXCESSIVE OR INDISCRIMINATE USE OF WHIP

Rule 4117.8(D)(2); 4117.8(H)(2) Driver Winter Asher-Stalbaum is hereby assessed a fine of \$500.00 and suspended from driving for 7 days for using the whip more than three times in succession without giving the horse time to respond while driving ALLIEVERDREAMEDOF, in the 9th race on February 5, 2026, at Monticello Raceway. (This violation constitutes a 3rd violation in this category in a 365-day period.) Further violations in this category will result in increased penalties.

LUNA, MARVIN ALFREDO

LEXINGTON, KY

YOB 2001

MVR on 2/5/2026

FINED: \$1,000

DRIVING - 7 DAYS, 2/12/2026 THRU 2/18/2026

INAPPROPRIATE USE OF THE WHIP

OSRC 3769-17-17-L. While driving #7 Good Luck Mark during race 12 on 2/5/26 at MVR, Mr. Luna did use the whip in a manner that caused welts on both sides of the horse. Due to Mr. Luna's various whipping violations in other jurisdictions over the last 365 days, the

penalty is higher than usual and any further whipping violations could lead to higher penalties and/or revocation of his 2026 OSRC Driver's license. Mr. Luna is fined \$1000 and given a 30 day driving suspension, the penalty will be reduced to \$1000 and a 7 day driving suspension (02/12/26-02/18/26) if not appealed. The fine is due within 10 days of this ruling. Mr. Luna has 48 hours to appeal this decision to the OSRC.

PART FOUR - MINOR PENALTIES

BEATTY, ADAM C MVR on 2/12/2026 FAILURE TO COME UP/STAY IN POSITION	SOUTH BLOOMFIELD, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 1984
GIVENS, BRANDON A DD on 2/9/2026 JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS	SEAFORD, DE FINED: \$200	YOB 1986
LONG, WAYNE L DD on 2/9/2026 INTERFERENCE/ CAUSING ANOTHER HORSE TO MAKE A BREAK	CAMDEN, DE DRIVING - 3 DAYS, 2/10/2026 THRU 2/12/2026	YOB 1983
LUNA, MARVIN ALFREDO MVR on 2/8/2026 JOSTLE, STRIKE OR HOOK WHEELS	LEXINGTON, KY FINED: \$200	YOB 2001
MACDONALD, ANTHONY A Mea on 2/6/2026 FAILURE TO SET AND MAINTAIN A PROPER PACE Nfld on 2/9/2026 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	MACEDONIA, OH FINED: \$100 FINED: \$100	YOB 1976
MORGAN, ANTHONY N DD on 2/10/2026 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	WARWICK, MD FINED: \$100	YOB 1958
PAGE, CHRIS L MVR on 2/10/2026 IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE	DELAWARE, OH FINED: \$350 HORSE PLACED 8	YOB 1983
QUEVEDO, BRYAN EMANUEL MR on 2/4/2026 FAILURE TO DRIVE WHEN PROGRAMMED	ENGLISHTOWN, NJ FINED: \$100	YOB 2003
RHOADES, BILL	NORTHFIELD, OH	YOB 1987

Nfld on 2/9/2026 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	FINED: \$100	
RHOADES, BRAIDEN M Nfld on 2/9/2026 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	ASHLAND, OH FINED: \$100	YOB 2005
SHORT, RONALD E RcR on 2/9/2026 LATE DRIVER CHANGE	GREENWOOD, DE FINED: \$100	YOB 1978
SMITH, TREVOR GENE MVR on 2/10/2026 IMPEDING THE PROGRESS OF ANOTHER HORSE MVR on 2/12/2026 INSIDE THE EURO RAIL / PYLON VIOLATION	LEBANON, OH FINED: \$350 HORSE PLACED 10 FINED: \$100	YOB 1996
STIMER, BART HUGH Nfld on 2/4/2026 FAILURE TO KEEP BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS	CONCORD, MI FINED: \$100	YOB 1970
VALLEE, SHAUN F M on 1/24/2026 CHANGING COURSE/CAUSING INTERFERENCE	JACKSON, NJ FINED: \$300	YOB 1963