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## STEWARDS RULING

**Ruling number: 25-0062**

**Track: Churchill Downs**

**Date: September 18, 2025**

**Unlicensed Exercise Rider: Silvio Valdez**

**Silvio Valdez is hereby suspended for failure to appear before the stewards on the morning of September 13, 2025, after failing a breathalyzer test while in the course of performing his duties as an exercise rider at Churchill Downs Trackside. In addition, Mr. Valdez is placed on the STOP list and is ineligible to obtain a license due to an arrest warrant relating to an altercation that resulted in his formal ejection from Ellis Park in 2023. During his suspension Silvio Valdez is denied the privileges of all facilities under the jurisdiction of the Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation.**

**810 KAR 2:030 Section 3, subsection (2)  
810 KAR 3:020 Section 15 (c)(t)**

**BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS**