



BOARD OF JUDGES RULING

Kentucky Horse Racing & Gaming Corporation

4047 Iron Works Parkway

Lexington KY 40511

Ruling # OG2025-044

Paid \$ _____ Date _____

Date Sent
to ARCI _____

Name: Fowler Austin M
Last First Middle

KHRGC# 626095 Occupation: Groom

Violation: Intoxicated While Working With Horses

Violation Date: 6/30/2025 Ruling Date: 7/1/2025

Narrative

Mr. Austin Fowler is a licensed groom under KHRGC Jurisdiction in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Following up on a concern about Mr. Fowler being suspected of being intoxicated while in the paddock at Oak Grove on 6/30/2025 Presiding Judge Casey Larson instructed KHRGC Investigator Bryan Tolson to locate and administer a P.B.T. test to Mr. Fowler. Investigator Tolson had Mr. Fowler submit to a P.B.T. at 1:16 PM in the Paddock Office at Oak Grove resulting in a positive test of 0.214 BAC. This is a clear and concerning violation of 810 KAR 2:030 Section 3 – 1 – A by being over the allowed limit of 0.05 BAC. Mr. Fowler was removed from the paddock and his license was detained by Investigator Tolson and Mr. Fowler was instructed to meet with the Board of Judges at 11:00 AM the following day in their office for a hearing. After having a hearing with Mr. Fowler at 11:00 AM on 7/1/2025 and to the maintain integrity and safety of horse racing and to protect all other licensees the Board of Judges have agreed Mr. Fowler will be fully suspended as stated in 810 KAR 2:030 Section 4 – 1 – A for a period of fifteen (15) days from 7/1/2025 thru and including 7/15/2025 from any association or racetrack under the jurisdiction of the KHRGC. After said suspension Mr. Fowler will be subject to testing at the discretion of the Presiding Judge anytime on a licensed grounds of any facility and any further violations will be subject to further escalating penalties.

Violation Law: 810 KAR 2:030 Section 3 – 1 – A

All Fines Are Due Within 10 Days of This Ruling or The Licensee Must Complete In Writing a Notice Of Appeal To The Executive Director Within 10 Days

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Suspension: 7/1/2025 through 7/15/2025 Total Days: 15

Driver
Suspension

Fine: \$00.00


Casey Larson
KHRGC Presiding Judge


Patricia Cooksey
KHRGC Associate Judge


Dave Magee
Association Associate Judge