



BOARD OF JUDGES RULING

Kentucky Horse Racing & Gaming

4047 Iron Works Parkway

Lexington KY 40511

Name: Rodriguez Matthew
Last First Middle
USTA# 655K33 Occupation: Trainer
Violation: Possession Of Hypodermic Needles, Syringes, and Injectables
Violation Date: 8/24/2026 Ruling Date: 8/24/2026

Narrative

Mr. Matthew Rodriguez is summarily suspended pending his appearance for a hearing before the Board of Judges of the KHRG after violating 810 KAR 3:020 Section 15 – 1 – JJ – 1 and 810 KAR 3:020 Section 15 – 1 – JJ – 2 when hypodermic syringes, needles and injectables were found by an KHRG Investigator during a search of his vehicle on association grounds of The Red Mile on race day 8/24/2026. Mr. Rodriguez is denied privileges and access to all association grounds under the jurisdiction of the Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation. Any and all horses owned and trained by Mr. Rodriguez are not permitted to be transferred without prior approval of the Board of Judges of the KHRG.

Violation Law:

- 810 KAR 3:020 Section 15 – 1 – JJ – 1
- 810 KAR 3:020 Section 15 – 1 – JJ – 2

Ruling # RM2026-010

Total Days: **Indefinite**

Casey Larson
KHRG Presiding Judge

Jeff James
KHRG Associate Judge

Dave Magee
Association Associate Judge