

**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF RACING
STEWARDS' RULING**

TURF PARADISE: 2019-2020 MEETING

Under the authority granted by Arizona Revised Statutes Title 5, Chapter 1, and Arizona Administrative Code Title 19, Chapter 2, the Board of Stewards at TURF PARADISE, located at 1501 W. Bell Road, Phoenix, 85023, held a hearing on Saturday, November 16, 2019 and issued the following Ruling:

MEZA, FRANCIS

SYSTEM ID: 22406

RULING NUMBER: 19-20TP036

LICENSE NUMBER: 22406

Having been properly noticed for a formal hearing and having waived that right Owner/Trainer Francis Meza (ADG #22406) is hereby fined ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) plus 5% Race Horse Adoption Fund surcharge for a total of ONE THOUSAND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$1,050.00), after receipt of an affidavit from Industrial Laboratories indicating blood sample #E358421 taken from the horse "DW CAROLINA FLASH", in the FOURTH (4th) race on November 3, 2019, at Turf Paradise Race Course was confirmed positive for the presence of the Class IV foreign substance BETAMETHASONE at a concentration of approximately 38.8 pg/ml (+/- 1.7 pg/mL) (aggravating factor used to determine this penalty: the horse "DW CAROLINA FLASH" pulled up during the running of the race and had to be euthanized).

The horse "DW CAROLINA FLASH", last place finisher (DNF) in the FOURTH (4th) race on November 3, 2019, shall be disqualified and declared unplaced.

The official order of finish is as follows:

1. UNRESTRAINED
2. MOONFLASH DELUXE
3. ONE FAMOUS ICON
4. NOBODYFASTER
5. JESSA CAT
6. KATELLA DOLLY
7. TAMURA
8. DW CAROLINA FLASH (DISQUALIFIED AND UNPLACED)

The horsemen's bookkeeper is hereby directed to make the necessary changes. This action does not alter the Pari- Mutuel results of the race in question.

The fine set forth above must be satisfied within ten days from the date of this order. If it is not paid by November 26, 2019, all licenses held by the respondent are automatically suspended for one hundred and eighty days beginning November 27, 2019, through and inclusive of May 25, 2020 and this matter is referred to the Director of the Arizona Department of Racing with the recommendation that all licenses remain suspended until all requirements herein are satisfied.

The above described matter constitutes a violation in accordance with:

A.A.C. R19-2-102(19)(39); A.A.C. R19-2-106(C); A.A.C. R19-2-111(A)(B)(C); A.A.C. R19-2-120(B)(1); A.A.C. R19-2-120.C(1)(2)(3)(6); A.A.C. R19-2-120(D)(1)(2); A.A.C. R19-2-120(O)(1)(2); A.A.C. R19-2-121(E)(2)(3)(6);

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BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS

M. Magdalena Long *Doug Boyer* *John Adams*

Pursuant to Arizona Racing Commission rules and regulations, the Stewards shall advise the Director of all hearings and rulings made. The Stewards may refer any ruling made by them to the Director, recommending further actions, including license revocation. This ruling may be appealed in writing to the Director, Arizona Department of Racing within three race days from the date of the receipt of this Stewards' ruling. The Director may sustain, reverse, or modify any decision of the Stewards and may sustain, increase or decrease any penalty imposed by the Stewards.

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Date 11-17-2019

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