



Standardbred Official Ruling

Ruling Number 2449356

Licence No.: HPP6496

Date: November 30, 2023

Western Fair District Raceway

**IN THE MATTER OF THE *HORSE RACING LICENCE ACT, 2015*,
S.O. 2015, c.38, Sched. 9;
AND IN THE MATTER OF BRUNO MICHAEL TIMPANO**

On March 7, 2023, the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (the "AGCO") was advised of a positive reading for the Class 2 substance caffeine and its metabolites theophylline and theobromine, in the urine sample with Test Tag # 49 23052 002. The sample was obtained from the Standardbred horse "DIXIE BAYAMA" (tattoo # 07TP56), which finished first (1st) in the second (2nd) race, on February 21, 2023, at the Raceway at Western Fair District. DIXIE BAYAMA was at that time trained by Bruno Michael Timpano (Licence # HPP6496) ("TIMPANO").

TAKE NOTICE that TIMPANO has violated Rules 9.09(b), 26.02.01, 26.02.02, and 26.02.03(c) of the Rules of Standardbred Racing (the "Rules").

In accordance with Rules 4.02(i), 6.04, and 9.08.02 of the Rules and Policy Directive No. 1-2018, TIMPANO is hereby fully suspended for a period of one (1) year. The suspension shall be served from the date of this Ruling. TIMPANO is hereby also issued a monetary penalty of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

TAKE NOTICE that additional equine drug violations contrary to the Rules may result in further monetary penalties, conditions, suspensions and/or revocation of licence.

TAKE NOTICE that all horses owned in whole or in part by TIMPANO are not eligible to race during the above-noted suspension period in accordance with Rule 6.13.01 of the Rules. Any horse trained by TIMPANO may, with the consent of the AGCO Racing Officials, be released to another trainer in accordance with Rule 26.08 of the Rules and Policy Directive No. 2-2008.

In accordance with 9.13 of the Rules, DIXIE BAYAMA is hereby declared disqualified from Race 2 at the Raceway at Western Fair District on February 21, 2023 for all purposes with the exception of pari-mutuel wagering. The revised order of finish for Race 2 at the Raceway at Western Fair District on February 21, 2023, is as follows:

1st #5 MINNIE MILLION
2nd #4 KINNDER GRACE
3rd #2 CRYSTAL DRAGON
4th #3 SCOTTISH MACH
5th #8 MACH SHARK
6th #7 MARA LOU
7th #6 ASBRAVEASMYMOMMA

#1 DIXIE BAYAMA – disqualified

In accordance with Rules 9.13 and 18.08.01 of the Rules, all purse monies affected by the disqualification of DIXIE BAYAMA shall be returned for redistribution within 15 days.

In accordance with Rule 6.01(a) of the Rules, TIMPANO is prohibited from accessing association grounds, including the “Winner’s Circle”, with the exception of the grandstand, while his licence is suspended.

TIMPANO is required to complete the AGCO Equine Medication Use and Awareness Program before reinstatement.

BY ORDER OF

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'KC', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Katherine Cunningham
Deputy Registrar