



Thoroughbred Official Ruling

Ruling Number 2180278

Licence No.: HP114039

Date: May 19, 2023

Woodbine Racetrack

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

On May 13, 2023, Bureau Veritas Canada (2019) Inc. issued a certificate of positive analysis, from a urine sample, Test Tag #73 23120 336, for the Class 3 drug CLENBUTEROL. The sample was obtained from the horse, Maximus Momentus, owned by S.A. Racing Stable Inc. and trained by Ross Armata (TRN114039). Maximus Momentus finished first in the sixth race at Woodbine Racetrack on April 30, 2023.

TAKE NOTICE that Trainer Ross Armata, having accepted the settlement agreement offered by the AGCO Stewards, is hereby issued a full suspension of fifteen calendar days that shall be served, May 22 - June 5, 2023, inclusive, a monetary penalty in the amount of \$1000 is payable at the termination of the suspension, and Mr. Armata must complete the AGCO equine medication and awareness program. The suspension of Mr. Armata is effective for horses racing in The Province of Ontario and during the suspension Mr. Armata is denied access to any Association grounds except for grandstand privileges. Any horses that are to be entered to race that were previously trained, but not owned, by Mr. Armata during the suspension must be transferred to another trainer in good standing and must be approved by the AGCO Stewards.

In accordance with AGCO TB Rule 15.04.03, the horse Maximus Momentus is hereby unplaced from the sixth race at Woodbine Racetrack on April 30, 2023, for all purposes with the exception of pari-mutuel wagering and all purse money earned is to be returned to the association for redistribution.

1st – Racing in the Rain
2nd – Fade Away
3rd – Unilateral
4th – Blockbuster
5th – Duke of Miami
6th – Big Bad Beast
7th – Radcliffe

Unplaced – Maximus Momentus

AGCO Rules 15.03.01(a), 15.04.01, 15.04.02.1, 15.04.03, 15.05.01, 15.06.03(c), 16.13(c)(d),
24.04

By Order of the Racing Officials

COV5715 - Commission Official
(Active) - Gunnar Erik Lindberg

COP8291 - Commission Official
(Active) - Allan T Stiff

COP8922 - Commission Official
(Active) - John Dorion