

## TITLE 808 STATE BOXING COMMISSION

### ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### Rule 1. Offices

##### 808 IAC 1-1-1 Location of office (Repealed)

Sec. 1. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

##### 808 IAC 1-1-2 Office hours (Repealed)

Sec. 2. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

##### 808 IAC 1-1-3 Papers filed with commission

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-3

Sec. 3. All papers required to be filed with the commission shall become its property. *(State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 3; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 59; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 203; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

#### Rule 1.1. Definitions

##### 808 IAC 1-1.1-1 Applicability

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-3

Sec. 1. The definitions in this rule apply throughout this title. *(State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 1-1.1-1; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1159; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

##### 808 IAC 1-1.1-2 "Boxing" defined

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-3

Sec. 2. "Boxing" means the art of attack and defense with the fists, or feet in the case of kick boxing, practiced as a sport. *(State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 1-1.1-2; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1159; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

#### Rule 2. Meetings

##### 808 IAC 1-2-1 Meetings (Repealed)

Sec. 1. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

#### Rule 3. Licenses and Permits

##### 808 IAC 1-3-1 Examination of applicant and witnesses

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-7

Sec. 1. Before acting upon an application for a license or permit, the commission may, at its discretion, examine, under oath,

the applicant and other witnesses. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 5; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 59; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1159; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-3-2 Separate permits for specific contests and exhibitions**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-6

Sec. 2. Any organization or person holding a promoter's license must obtain a separate permit from the commission before holding any specific boxing or sparring contest (match) or exhibition. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 6; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 60; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1160; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-3-3 Posting license; approval for use of armories (Repealed)**

Sec. 3. (*Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176*)

**808 IAC 1-3-4 Denial, suspension, or revocation of license; grounds**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9

Sec. 4. The following shall be grounds for denial of licensure, suspension, or revocation of any license issued by the commission:

- (1) Failure without just cause to observe the terms of any contract required to be on file with the commission. The commission must be informed within a reasonable time of the impossibility of performing as required under the contract before just cause can be shown.
- (2) Violation of any of the provisions of IC 25-9 or the rules, regulations, or orders of the commission.
- (3) Interference with the official duties of the licensees, the commission, or any administrative officer or representative thereof.
- (4) Gambling on the result of any match permitted by the commission.
- (5) Noncompetitive boxing or sparring or the solicitation of noncompetitive boxing or sparring of contestants.
- (6) Failure to appear at designated times and places as required by the commission.
- (7) Bribery or attempted bribery of any licensee, employee, or member of the commission.
- (8) Employing or knowingly cooperating in fraud or material deception in order to obtain any license or permit issued by the commission.
- (9) Having been convicted of a crime which has a direct bearing on the applicant's or licensee's ability to perform acts requiring a license or permit issued by the commission.
- (10) Unlicensed or unpermitted participation in any activity in the state of Indiana for which a license or permit issued by the commission was required.

(*State Boxing Commission; SEC 14, Rule 21; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 a.m.: 3 IR 203; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1160; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-3-5 Irrevocable letters of credit (Repealed)**

Sec. 5. (*Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176*)

**808 IAC 1-3-6 Security for the purse; forms**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 6. (a) It shall be a condition of any permit issued to a licensed promoter to conduct a match or exhibition that the promoter must, prior to the beginning of the match or exhibition, provide to the commission or its representative an acceptable form of security

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in an amount not less than the total purse to be paid to each contestant by the terms of the promoter's contract. This may take the form of a certified cashier's check or money order, payable jointly to the commission and to the contestant, or cash.

(b) There shall be an acceptable form of security for each contestant in a match or exhibition, and no permit to conduct the match shall be valid in the absence of a promoter providing an acceptable form of security meeting the requirements of this rule. The receipt of such security shall be noted on the permit document by the commission or its representative. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 1-3-6; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1160; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 4. Tickets**

**808 IAC 1-4-1 Press tickets; seating in press box**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-26

Sec. 1. All tickets issued to the press shall be marked "Press". Press tickets shall be consecutively numbered so as to correspond to the seats and shall not be issued to exceed the comfortable seating capacity of the press box surrounding the ring, and no one, except the officials designated by the Commission and the timekeeper, shall be permitted to sit in the press seats, unless actually engaged in reporting the contest. (*State Boxing Commission; PTI, Sec 8; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 60; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-4-2 Complimentary tickets; tax on excess issuance**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-26

Sec. 2. The promoter shall pay to the state a tax of fifty cents (\$0.50) each on all complimentary tickets. (*State Boxing Commission; PTI, Sec 9; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 60; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2001; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-4-3 Form and contents of tickets; general admission**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-26

Sec. 3. All tickets exclusive of press tickets, employees' and talent tickets shall have a price and date of show printed plainly thereon and shall have a coupon attached. Both ticket and coupon shall show the seat number, row and section and shall be consecutively numbered. The coupon shall be held by the purchaser for identification.

In the case of general admission tickets, where the purchaser may occupy any seat, both the coupon and ticket shall be consecutively numbered; and the number on the coupon attached shall correspond with number on the ticket. (*State Boxing Commission; PTI, Sec 10; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 60; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-4-4 Compensation on percentage basis; computation**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-12; IC 25-9-1-27

Sec. 4. Contestants working on a percentage basis shall be paid on the basis of the net receipts of each exhibition, after the state tax, federal tax, if any, ring expense and complimentary tickets, upon which a price is specified, have been deducted therefrom. (*State Boxing Commission; PTI, Sec 11; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 60; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-4-5 Admission by ticket only; exception for officials**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-24; IC 25-9-1-26

Sec. 5. No person shall be admitted to any contest or exhibition unless he or she holds a ticket, except that all licensed officials and representatives of the commission assigned for duty at such contest or exhibition shall be admitted without tickets to that particular event upon presentation of their identification cards and credentials. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 12; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 60; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1160; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-4-6 Printers; approval; reporting requirements**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-26

Sec. 6. Licensed promoters may use only tickets obtained from a printer acceptable to the Commission, unless the Commission gives special permission for use of other tickets. Such tickets shall be printed and made in such form as the Commission may prescribe. Authorized printers shall send to the Commission, upon request, a sworn inventory of all tickets printed for licensed promoters by mail within twenty-four hours after such tickets are delivered to promoters. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 13; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 60; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-4-7 Unsold tickets; return to commission**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-22; IC 25-9-1-26

Sec. 7. Upon request every person or corporation promoting contests shall within forty-eight hours after each exhibition, return all unsold tickets to the Indianapolis Office of the Commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 14; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 61; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-4-8 Report of ticket sales; admission tax**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-22

Sec. 8. Every promoter licensed by the commission shall, within the time required by IC 25-9-1-22, furnish to the Indiana professional licensing agency for remittance to the general fund a written report in duplicate on forms furnished by the commission, duly verified by the promoter showing the exact amount of tickets sold for each contest, the amount of the gross proceeds thereof, and such other data as the commission and Indiana professional licensing agency may prescribe, and shall also, within said time, pay to the Indiana professional licensing agency for remittance to the general fund a tax of five percent (5%) of the total gross receipts from the sale of the tickets of admission to the boxing or sparring match or exhibition. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 15; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 61; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1161; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236; filed Sep 27, 2001, 2:26 p.m.: 25 IR 382*)

**808 IAC 1-4-9 Notification of ticket price**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 9. The price of tickets for all boxing exhibitions and contests must be submitted to the commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 16; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 61; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1161; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-4-10 Speculation prohibited**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-12; IC 25-9-1-26

Sec. 10. Promoters must exercise extraordinary caution to prevent speculation in tickets. They are prohibited from selling any tickets for any price other than the price printed thereon, from changing the price of tickets at any time after tickets for the exhibition have been placed on sale, and from selling any tickets at any time during the exhibition for less price than tickets for the same seats were sold or offered before exhibition, except by permission of the Commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 17; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 61; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-4-11 Exchange or redemption of tickets**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-22; IC 25-9-1-26

Sec. 11. No exchange of tickets shall be made except at the box office and then only after a complete record is made by the ticket seller and promoter showing the number and prices of all tickets exchanged and of the new tickets issued therefor, which record must be preserved for examination and audit by the representative of the Commission. No tickets shall be redeemed after the contest has taken place. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 18; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 61; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 5. Seats for Commission and Officials**

**808 IAC 1-5-1 Seats for commission, judges, timekeepers, and other officials**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 1. At each contest or exhibition, the promoter shall provide, near the ring, six (6) seats, each marked "Commission". The following shall also be provided:

- (1) Three (3) seats for the judges, who shall be stationed on three (3) sides of the ring, adjacent thereto.
- (2) Two (2) seats for the official timekeepers near the gong.
- (3) Two (2) seats for physicians.
- (4) One (1) seat for an announcer.
- (5) One (1) seat for each alternate referee.

(*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 19; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 61; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1161; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 1-5-2 Bond of promoter license applicant**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-22

Sec. 2. Before any license shall be granted to any person or corporation to conduct, hold, or give any boxing or sparring match or exhibition, such applicant therefor shall execute and file with the state treasurer a bond as provided by law. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 20; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 61; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1161; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 6. Contracts and Forfeitures**

**808 IAC 1-6-1 Contracts between promoters and contestants; execution and filing**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

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Sec. 1. (a) In order to prevent delays and annoyances to spectators resulting from disputes arising between contestants and between contestants and promoters after a match has begun, it is required that all contracts between promoters and persons agreeing to be contestants shall be in writing signed by the parties thereto or their authorized agents and filed with the commission prior to the match before any permit for any match will be issued by the commission.

(b) The contracts must be executed in triplicate, and one (1) copy shall be filed with the commission.

(c) All contracts must contain a clause which obligates the parties thereto to observe the provisions of IC 25-9-1 and this title. *(State Boxing Commission; PTI, Sec 21; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 61; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 a.m.: 3 IR 204; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1161; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 1-6-2 Forfeit money; deposit; disposition (Repealed)**

Sec. 2. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176)*

**808 IAC 1-6-3 Contested disposition of forfeit money (Repealed)**

Sec. 3. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176)*

**808 IAC 1-6-4 Liability of commission for deposits (Repealed)**

Sec. 4. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176)*

**808 IAC 1-6-5 Failure to deposit forfeit money; revocation of permit (Repealed)**

Sec. 5. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176)*

**808 IAC 1-6-6 Contestant liable to suspension for failure to deposit forfeit (Repealed)**

Sec. 6. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 1-6-7 Bout stopped; no contest; commission holds forfeit or purse pending hearing (Repealed)**

Sec. 7. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 1-6-8 Promoters and contestants must file written contracts (Repealed)**

Sec. 8. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 1-6-9 Promoter violating contract; suspension or cancellation of license (Repealed)**

Sec. 9. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 1-6-10 Contestants violating contracts; temporary or permanent suspension (Repealed)**

Sec. 10. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 1-6-11 Failure of contestant or manager to notify promoter of inability to carry out contract; suspension (Repealed)**

Sec. 11. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 1-6-12 Telegrams or letters considered agreements (Repealed)**

Sec. 12. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 1-6-13 Withholding purse; deposit; disposition**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-27

Sec. 13. Upon good cause shown, the commission or its representative may direct that a contestant not be paid the purse provided in a contract, and the promoter who is obligated to remit the purse shall transfer the same in the form of a certified check to the commission who may hold the same no longer than ten (10) days. After a hearing, the commission must remit the purse to the contestant if the commission determines the contestant is entitled thereto under the terms of the contract. If the commission determines that the contestant is not entitled, the purse shall be remitted to the promoter. *(State Boxing Commission; SEC 4, Rule 4; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 a.m.: 3 IR 205; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1162; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**Rule 7. “No Betting” and “No Smoking” Signs**

**808 IAC 1-7-1 Display of “No Betting” signs; betting prohibited (Repealed)**

Sec. 1. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 1-7-2 Smoking restrictions (Repealed)**

Sec. 2. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176)*

**808 IAC 1-7-3 Admission of minors**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 3. Minors under twelve (12) years of age shall not be admitted to any match or exhibition unless accompanied by an adult eighteen (18) years of age or older. *(State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 35; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 64; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 a.m.: 3 IR 206; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1162; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 1-7-4 Protection of the public**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 4. All individuals or corporations promoting exhibitions shall furnish adequate police or private security forces for protection of the public that are acceptable to the commission and shall be responsible therefor. *(State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 36; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 64; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 a.m.: 3 IR 206; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1162; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**Rule 8. Ushers**

**808 IAC 1-8-1 Ushers; duties (Repealed)**

Sec. 1. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**Rule 9. Announcements**

**808 IAC 1-9-1 Introductions and announcements; restrictions**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. No introduction or announcements except those pertaining to the contest or exhibition shall be made from the ring, unless authorized by a member of the Commission or its authorized representative in charge. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 38; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm; Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 64; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 10. Dressing Rooms**

**808 IAC 1-10-1 Dressing rooms; entrance restrictions**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. Only contestants, seconds, managers, promoters, physicians, representatives of the press and the Commission will be permitted in dressing rooms, all of whom must present proper credentials in writing from the Commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT I, Sec 39; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm; Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 64; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**ARTICLE 2. BOXING AND OTHER RING EXHIBITIONS**

**Rule 1. Contestants**

**808 IAC 2-1-1 License applications; age restrictions; parental consent; readiness to enter ring**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-19

Sec. 1. (a) Two (2) passport size photographs must be attached to the application. Photographs must be full faced without a hat in a natural pose. The applicant's name must be on the back of each picture.

(b) All applicants for licenses to box or referee must be eighteen (18) years of age or older. All applicants who are over thirty-five (35) years old must have taken a thorough physical by a medical doctor and present a written statement from that doctor stating that the applicant is physically fit and qualified to participate in boxing or sparring matches.

(c) A birth certificate or other approved record of birth, such as baptismal record, passport record, school record, or certificate of discharge from the United States armed forces, must be presented to the commission inspector.

(d) All contestants must be ready to enter the ring immediately upon the finish of the preceding match. The referee may disqualify a boxer who breaks this rule. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 40; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 64; filed Dec 16, 1975, 11:40 a.m.: Rules and Regs. 1976, p. 47; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1162; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2002; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-1-2 Compensation; participation in unlicensed matches**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-17; IC 25-9-1-27

Sec. 2. No contestant in any match shall be paid for services until the same are rendered, and, should it be determined by the referee or the commission that a contestant did not give an honest exhibition of skill, the contestant's services shall not be remunerated. Any contestant who participates in any match not licensed or permitted by the commission shall be disqualified from that match and may have his or her license revoked or suspended by the commission. In addition, the contestant's eligibility for future licenses may be suspended by the commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 41; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and*

*Regs. 1956, p. 65; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1163; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-1-3 Unfair dealings, ungentlemanly conduct or violation of rules; grounds for fine or suspension (Repealed)**

Sec. 3. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 2-1-4 Time for contestants to appear, delay grounds for suspension (Repealed)**

Sec. 4. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 2-1-5 Athletic costumes and protective equipment**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-16; IC 25-9-1-17

Sec. 5. Contestants must wear proper athletic costumes approved by the commission, including the following:

- (1) Boxing trunks of contrasting color.
- (2) Protection cups.
- (3) Shoes of soft material and shall not be fitted with spikes, cleats, hard soles, or hard heels.
- (4) Bandages and taping, as required in 808 IAC 2-26-1.
- (5) Gloves, as required in 808 IAC 2-22-1.

*(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 44; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 65; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 a.m.: 3 IR 206; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1163; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-1-6 Training location prior to bout (Repealed)**

Sec. 6. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176)*

**808 IAC 2-1-7 Substituting contestants; qualification**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-9; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 7. (a) In case of a substitution, the commission must be notified in advance of the match. The substituting contestant must satisfy the commission and the examining physician that he or she is qualified under this title to engage in such contest or he or she will not be permitted to compete.

(b) The Indiana boxing commission (commission) may delegate its authority to approve a substitution to any agent deemed appropriate by the commission. If the commission chooses to delegate its authority to approve substitutions, it must select an agent for each contest by board resolution.

(c) If the agent accepts the responsibility of being the commission's agent:

- (1) will serve without pay;
- (2) must attend the contest he has been granted authority over; and
- (3) must be provided access to any part of the contest area that is used by the contestants without any charge of any kind.

The authority of the agent expires when the contest ends.

(d) If no agent accepts the responsibility or cannot be reached, substitutions can only be approved by the commission. If neither the agent or the commission can be reached to approve a substitution, no substitutions will be permitted. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 46; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 65; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 a.m.: 3 IR 206; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1163; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2002; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-1-8 Illness or injury; report and examination**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 8. Whenever a licensed boxer, because of injury or illness, is unable to take part in a contest for which the boxer is under contract, the boxer or the boxer's manager must immediately report the fact to the commission and submit to an examination by a physician designated by the commission. The commission will determine the merits of the claim by the contestant and render a decision as to the contestant's ability to box. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 47; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 65; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1163; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-1-9 Waiting period between matches**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 9. When a boxer competes in a match of ten (10) rounds or more, the boxer will not be allowed to box again until six (6) days have elapsed. When a boxer competes in a match less than ten (10) rounds, the boxer will not be allowed to box until three (3) days have elapsed. The ringside physician and commission may recommend longer rest periods. A boxer will automatically receive medical suspensions or rest periods for the following:

(1) For a cut, the medical suspension time shall be based on the ringside physician's sound medical judgment.

(2) For a technical knockout, a minimum of thirty (30) days medical suspension for a technical knockout.

(3) For a knockout, sixty (60) days minimum medical suspension.

(*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 48; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 66; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1163; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236; filed Sep 27, 2001, 2:26 p.m.: 25 IR 382*)

**808 IAC 2-1-10 Minor boxers; number of rounds limited**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 10. No boxer under twenty-one (21) years of age shall take part in any contest of more than six (6) rounds duration, unless receiving prior approval from the commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 49; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 66; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1163; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-1-11 Assumed names; press attendance at weighing-in**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-19

Sec. 11. (a) No boxer shall be permitted to use, as an assumed name, the name of any former or present boxer.

(b) At the official weighing-in of all contestants, duly accredited newspaper representatives must, upon request, be admitted.

(*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 50; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 66; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1164; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-1-12 Female boxers**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 12. (a) A negative pregnancy test must be obtained the day prior to or the day of the fight. Results shall be submitted to the state boxing commission prior to the weigh-in.

(b) Mammography may be requested by the examining physician.

(c) The examining physician may request a buccal smear after the physical examination if there is any doubt regarding the contestant's sex.

(d) A pelvic exam will be required.

(e) Contestants must wear adequate breast protection. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-1-12; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1164; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

## **Rule 2. Managers**

### **808 IAC 2-2-1 Contracts between contestants and managers; verbal agreements prohibited**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. All managers must have a written contract with all boxers under their control, and a copy of the original contract shall be filed with the commission. No verbal agreements will be permitted. Contestants will be given another opportunity to read the contracts, signed by their managers, at the weigh-in. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 51; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 66; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1164; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

### **808 IAC 2-2-2 Matchmaker manager activities prohibited; qualifications; liability; violations**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 4-21.5; IC 25-9-1

Sec. 2. (a) Managers of boxers or any individuals having a financial interest in any boxer may not serve as matchmaker for that boxer without consent of the commission and will be prohibited from acting as matchmaker for any club.

(b) All managers must be over twenty-one (21) years of age and duly licensed. The manager must, above all, have a keen interest in the manager's boxer, and assist the boxer during the training period, during the match, and particularly after the completion of every match.

(c) All managers and seconds will be held responsible for failure to report to the commission any injury or illness sustained by a boxer under the manager's management or supervision, before or after any match. Responsibility towards a boxer does not cease with the termination of the match. Failure of a manager to comply with this rule will subject a manager to disciplinary action under IC 25-9-1 and IC 4-21.5.

(d) All managers will be held responsible for the condition of their boxers at all times. Failure to adhere to this rule will subject a manager to disciplinary action under IC 25-9-1 and IC 4-21.5. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 52; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 66; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1164; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

## **Rule 3. Promoters**

### **808 IAC 2-3-1 Notice of contest; application for match date**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. (a) All persons applying for dates for any proposed contest shall make application at least fourteen (14) days in advance of the date requested.

(b) The commission must be notified of any proposed contest, together with the names of all contestants, at least five (5) days before any contest or exhibition and update the commission on all changes as they are known. All changes are subject to the commission's approval. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 53; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 66; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1165; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2002; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

### **808 IAC 2-3-2 Length of boxing program**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 2. A complete boxing program will be not less than four (4) matches and not less than twenty-eight (28) scheduled

rounds. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 54; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 67; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1165; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-3-3 Notice and announcement of program changes; payment of contestant after default of opponent**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 3. Notice of any change in announced or advertised programs for any contest must be promptly filed with the state boxing commission prior to the contest. Notices announcing such change or substitution must also be conspicuously posted at the box office and also be announced from the ring before the opening contest. Where a contestant, under contract to appear at a club, appears at the weighing-in time and is ready to fulfill his or her contract and his or her opponent does not appear, nor is a substitute provided, the club must pay the boxer his or her contract price unless a forfeit is provided. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 55; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 67; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2002; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-3-4 Appeals from penalties or disciplinary actions**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-13; IC 25-9-1-14.1

Sec. 4. Where a promoter or other person under the jurisdiction of the commission is in any way penalized or disciplined as provided in this title by a representative of the commission, such promoter or other person may appeal to the full commission and have a hearing as provided by law. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 56; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 67; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1165; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-3-5 Eligibility to officiate restricted; interference with contestants prohibited**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 5. No promoter or officer, matchmaker or stockholder thereof shall officiate in any capacity at any contest or exhibition, or interfere in any way with the contestants. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 57; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 67; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-3-6 Emergency medical facilities and equipment**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 6. (a) All promoters must provide medical information, facilities, and equipment, including, but not limited to:

(1) a stretcher and emergency oxygen, adequate for emergency occasions; and

(2) an ambulance for each boxing show; and

all such medical facilities and equipment must be approved in advance by the commission.

(b) No boxing referee shall be permitted to enter the ring unless the referee is wearing hygienic gloves.

(c) No second shall be permitted to work in that capacity during a boxing show unless the second is wearing hygienic gloves.

(d) No ringside physician shall be permitted to examine or medically treat a boxer during a boxing show unless the ringside physician is wearing hygienic gloves. Exceptions shall be permitted if the treatment is considered an emergency or the nature of treatment or examination makes the wearing of hygienic gloves impractical during the procedure.

(e) No inspector shall be permitted to perform assigned duties during a boxing show, unless the inspector is wearing hygienic gloves, except as the commission, in its discretion, may authorize for inspectors on certain assignments. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-3-6; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1165; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 4. Refreshments and Programs**

**808 IAC 2-4-1 Sale of refreshments; restrictions (Repealed)**

Sec. 1. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 2-4-2 Sale of programs; restrictions (Repealed)**

Sec. 2. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207)*

**808 IAC 2-4-3 Forfeits of contestants without managers; deposit with commission (Repealed)**

Sec. 3. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176)*

**808 IAC 2-4-4 Number of promoters' licenses and bout permits; limitation (Repealed)**

Sec. 4. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176)*

**808 IAC 2-4-5 Containers for drinks; ashtrays and plates**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 5. (a) All drinks at a boxing program must be dispensed in paper or plastic cups.

(b) Ashtrays and plates provided for patrons at contests must be made from paper or lightweight plastic. *(State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-4-5; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1165; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**Rule 5. Officials**

**808 IAC 2-5-1 Officials; appointment; licensing and assignment**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 1. Officials shall consist of at least two (2) referees, three (3) judges, two (2) timekeepers, and a physician. All officials shall be appointed and licensed by the commission and may be assigned, at the option of the commission, to officiate at any and all contests. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 62; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 67; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1166; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236; filed Sep 27, 2001, 2:26 p.m.: 25 IR 383)*

**Rule 6. License Fees**

**808 IAC 2-6-1 Fees; two year license validation**

Authority: IC 25-1-8-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-9

Sec. 1. All new licenses and all renewal licenses, granted by the commission, shall be valid in a period of two (2) years from the date of issuance and shall be subject to the following fees:

- (1) Promoter (boxing), one hundred dollars (\$100).
- (2) Physicians, ten dollars (\$10).
- (3) Timekeepers, ten dollars (\$10).
- (4) Matchmakers, twenty-five dollars (\$25).
- (5) Managers, twenty-five dollars (\$25).
- (6) Trainers, ten dollars (\$10).
- (7) Boxers, ten dollars (\$10).

- (8) Seconds, ten dollars (\$10).
- (9) Judges, ten dollars (\$10).
- (10) Referees, fifty dollars (\$50).

*(State Boxing Commission; Appendix A; filed Dec 16, 1975, 11:40 a.m.: Rules and Regs. 1976, p. 47; filed Jan 28, 1982, 3:04 p.m.: 5 IR 555; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1166; filed Jun 14, 1996, 3:00 p.m.: 19 IR 3088; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236; filed Dec 2, 2002, 3:00 p.m.: 26 IR 1104)*

**Rule 7. Referees**

**808 IAC 2-7-1 Chief official; powers and duties**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 1. The chief official of contests shall be the referee who shall have general supervision over matches and shall take position in the ring. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 64; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 68; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1166; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-7-2 Violation of rules; removal from ring**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 2. All referees will be held in strict observance of this article while working in matches, and failure to comply therewith will result in immediate removal from the ring by the commission. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 65; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 68; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1166; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-7-3 Uniform**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 3. Referees must wear a dark trousers and a light shirt with an official state seal emblem patch attached to the left breast pocket area of the shirt. Referees must provide themselves with an extra shirt for change in case of emergency. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 66; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 68; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1166; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-7-4 Seconds; responsibility for conduct**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 4. The referee shall, before starting a contest, ascertain from each contestant the name of his chief second, and shall hold said chief second responsible for the conduct of his assistant seconds during the progress of the contest. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 67; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 68; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-7-5 Final instructions; contestants to touch gloves**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 5. The referee shall, before each match, call contestants together for final instructions, at which time each contestant shall be accompanied by the contestant's chief second only. The principals, after receiving instructions, must touch gloves and retire to their corners. They shall not touch gloves again until immediately before the last round. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 68; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 68; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1166; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001,*

2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)

**808 IAC 2-7-6 Entry into ring restricted**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 6. No persons other than the contestants and the referee may enter the ring during the progress of a round. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 69; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 68; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-7-7 Inspection of bandages and gloves**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 7. The referee shall inspect all bandages and gloves and make sure that the same are in proper condition and of proper material and that no foreign substances have been applied to either the gloves or the bodies of boxers to the detriment of an opponent. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 70; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 68; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-7-8 Inspection of protection cups**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 8. The referee shall examine the protection cups of all contestants upon their entrance in the ring, or immediately before the contests. If any imperfection is found the same shall be reported immediately by the referee to the Commission or its authorized representative at the ringside. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 71; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 68; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-7-9 Referee shall not touch contestants; exception; warning for stalling or faking; stopping match**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 9. The referee shall not touch the contesting boxers except on the failure of one (1) or both contestants to obey the break command. When a referee is of the opinion that contestants are stalling or faking, the referee shall immediately warn them in a way that will not cause confusion, but so the spectators may know that warning is given. If in the referee's opinion, after proper warning, the contestants continue to stall or pull punches, the referee shall wait until the round is finished before consulting with the judges, making no decision until the referee has done so. No match shall be stopped for such cause during the progress of a round. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 72; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 68; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1167; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-7-10 No contest determination**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 10. After consultation, the referee shall abide by the majority decision of the judges and himself, and if it is decided that the match is to be declared no contest, the referee shall have the decision announced by the announcer. If it is decided that the match shall continue, and should no improvement be shown, then the referee may stop the contest during the progress of a round. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 73; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 69; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1167; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-7-11 Fouls; warning; disqualification**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 11. The referee shall immediately disqualify a contestant who is guilty of a deliberate and wilful foul and award the decision to his opponent. It is recommended that a referee shall not give more than one warning for an unintentional foul, which is likely to incapacitate an opponent, and that he shall disqualify the offender without warning in case of actual injury except when the opponent is accidentally butted so that he cannot continue. In cases of minor fouls such as hitting with open gloves, unnecessary or prolonged clinching, or refusal to break after warning has been given by the referee, he shall have the power to disqualify the offender and to award the decision to the opponent. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 74; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 69; filed May 24, 1982, 10:25 am: 5 IR 1406; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-7-12 Decisions; verification and announcement**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 12. To safeguard mistakes being made in announcing decisions, the announcer may upon receiving the score cards from the referees and judges, submit them to the Commission and/or its authorized representative at the ringside for its or his examination before announcement is made. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 75; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 69; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-7-13 Fees and expenses of referees**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 13. The compensation and traveling expenses of referees for officiating at boxing exhibition matches shall be paid by the promoter conducting the exhibition matches. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 76; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 69; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1167; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-7-14 Discontinuation of fight; declaration of winner**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-8

Sec. 14. If the referee sees or, if after consultation with the judges, determines that a boxer is accidentally butted in a match so that the boxer cannot continue, the referee shall immediately, following the accidental butt, do the following:

- (1) Call the match a technical draw if the injured boxer is behind on points.
- (2) Declare the injured boxer the winner on a technical decision if the boxer has a lead in points. A majority vote as disclosed by the scorecards shall prevail in determining the decision. If all three (3) scorecards differ, the contest shall be declared a technical draw.
- (3) Call the match a technical draw if an accidental butt occurs during the first four (4) rounds of any contest.
- (4) If both boxers are injured as a result of an accidental butt so that neither is able to continue, then a winner will be declared on the basis of the majority vote as disclosed by the judges' scorecards.

*(State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-7-14; filed May 24, 1982, 10:25 a.m.: 5 IR 1406; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1167; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2003; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**Rule 8. Knock-Downs**

**808 IAC 2-8-1 Failure to return to ring after rest period; counting out**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 1. Should a contestant leave the ring during the one minute period between rounds and fail to be in ring when gong sounds to resume boxing, the referee shall count him out, the same as if he were "down." (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 77; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 69; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-8-2 Opponent to retire to corner after knock-down**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 2. When a contestant is down, his or her opponent shall retire to the farthest neutral corner of the ring and remain there until the count is completed. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 78; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 69; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2003; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-8-3 Announcing count; decision; eight count rule; waiver**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 3. (a) When a knockdown occurs, the knockdown timekeeper shall immediately arise and, if the boxer on his feet shall have retired to the farthest neutral corner of the ring, shall begin the count and announce the seconds audibly as they elapse. The referee shall first see that the opponent retires to the farthest neutral corner of the ring and then, turning to the timekeeper, may cease counting until the opponent has so retired.

(b) When a boxer is cleanly knocked down, the boxer shall be required to take a count of eight (8), whether or not the boxer has regained his feet before the count of eight (8) has been reached. This rule will prevent a boxer from being struck while proper reflexes are absent and will also aid the referee in judging the condition of the boxer. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 79; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 69; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1168; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-8-4 Termination of round; continuation of match**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 4. When a round ends before a contestant who was knocked down rises, the gong shall not sound, and the count shall continue. If the contestant rises before the count of eight (8), the timekeeper shall sound the gong and end the round. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 80; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 70; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1168; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2003; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-8-5 Going down intentionally after knock-down; disqualification**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 5. Should a contestant who is "down" arise before the count of ten is reached and again go down intentionally without being struck, the referee shall disqualify the offender. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 81; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 70; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-8-6 Contestant knocked or falling out of ring; counting out**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 6. If a contestant who has been knocked or has fallen out of the ring during a contest fails to be on his feet in the ring before the expiration of twenty (20) seconds, the referee shall declare the contestant out, the same as if the contestant were counted out while down. A contestant who has fallen or has been knocked out of the ring must return to the ring unassisted. The referee shall

stop the contest when, in the referee's opinion, either contestant shows marked superiority and the continuation of the same would result in unnecessary and useless punishment, and eventually in a knockout. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 82; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 70; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1168; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-8-7 Termination of the contest**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 7. Except in title fights, when a boxer is knocked down three (3) times in any one (1) round, the contest will be automatically terminated. The boxer scoring the knockdowns shall be the winner by a technical knockout. The referee may stop a contest any time if the boxer cannot defend himself or herself. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-8-7; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1168; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2003; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-8-8 Standing eight count**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 8. Except in title fights, in the event that a boxer appears to be entering a state of unconsciousness or otherwise appears to be unable to defend himself or herself, the referee shall order such boxer's opponent into the farthest neutral corner and commence a count of eight (8). After the count of eight (8), the referee shall determine whether the boxer is able to continue to fight. If the boxer is not able to continue the fight, his or her opponent shall be declared the winner by technical knockout. If the boxer is able to continue the fight, the judges and referee shall score the standing eight (8) count as though it were a knockdown. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-8-8; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2003; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 9. Scoring Decisions**

**808 IAC 2-9-1 Authority of referee; declaration of winner after knockout**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 1. The referee shall decide all questions arising during a contest which are not specifically covered by this title. In case of a knockout, the referee shall immediately, after the count of ten (10), raise the arm of the contestant who has scored the knockout and declare him or her the winner. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 83; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 70; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1168; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-9-2 Knockouts; technical knockouts and declaration of winner**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 2. Referees and judges in boxing and sparring matches or exhibitions shall, in rendering their decisions, consider and declare a contestant to be knocked out when the contestant is unable, after being knocked down, to arise unaided inside of ten (10) seconds. If a boxer is in distress, but still on his feet, and the referee intercedes to save him, the decision shall be a technical knockout. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 84; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 70; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1169; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-9-3 Marking knockout on score cards**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2  
Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

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Sec. 3. In case of a knockout, the score cards should be marked K. O., showing round in which knock-out occurred. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 85; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 71; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-9-4 Disclosure of individual decisions**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 4. The Commission reserves the right to make public through the press the individual decisions of the referees and judges. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 86; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 71; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-9-5 No decision matches**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 5. (a) Both participants must sign contracts stipulating that the match will be a no decision match.

(b) In the event of a knockout, the announcer will present the results, and the fight will be listed in the record as a no decision match ending in the round that the match was terminated. Medical suspension for the boxer suffering the knockout will be levied by the commission just as a regular match. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-9-5; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1169; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-9-6 Scoring incomplete rounds**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 6. If any round is not finished, that round will be scored. If a penalty is assessed against a fighter in an incomplete round, that penalty is deducted from the fighter's total score. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-9-6; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2003; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 10. Report Requirement**

**808 IAC 2-10-1 Stopped bout or disqualification of boxer; referee's report (Repealed)**

Sec. 1. (*Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176*)

**808 IAC 2-10-2 Out of the ordinary action during match; referee's report**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 2. Any action out of the ordinary in any boxing match must be so noted on the referee's report submitted to the commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 88; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 71; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1169; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 11. Judges**

**808 IAC 2-11-1 Number of judges; appointment; decisions**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

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Sec. 1. Three (3) judges shall be in attendance at each contest and may serve as judges for a complete exhibition, when appointed for this purpose by the promoter or by the commission or its authorized representatives. The three (3) judges shall be stationed at three (3) sides of the ring designated by the commission and must render an independent decision. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 89; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 71; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1169; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-11-2 Assisting referees in determining fouls and other points**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 2. They shall be ready at all times, if requested by the referee, to assist in deciding whether fouls have been committed, and may bring any other points to the attention of the referee at the end of a round. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 90; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 71; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-11-3 Awarding and deducting points; point system; marking scorecard; round by round score announcement**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 3. (a) The decisions of the judges shall be based primarily on effectiveness, taking into account the following points:

(1) A clean forceful hit, landed on any vulnerable part of the body above the belt, should be credited in proportion to its damaging effects.

(2) Aggressiveness is next in importance, and points should be awarded to the contestant who sustains the action of a round by the greatest number of skillful attacks.

(3) Next in importance is sportsmanship. A contestant should be given credit for sportsmanlike action in the ring, close adherence to the spirit, as well as the letter, of the rules and for refraining from taking technical advantage of situations unfair to the opponent. Unsportsmanlike conduct or actions on the part of a contestant should likewise be taken into consideration and points deducted in accordance therewith.

(4) Defensive work is relatively important, and points should be given for cleverly avoiding or blocking a blow.

(5) Points should be awarded where ring generalship is conspicuous. This comprises the following points:

(A) The ability to quickly grasp and take advantage of every opportunity offered.

(B) The capacity to cope with all kinds of situations which may arise.

(C) To foresee and neutralize an opponent's method of attack.

(D) To force an opponent to adopt a style of boxing at which the opponent is not particularly skillful.

(6) It is advisable to deduct points when a contestant persistently delays the action of a contest by clinching, holding, and lack of aggressiveness.

(7) In order to arrive at a true conclusion, every point should be carefully observed and noticed as the round progresses. The winner of the round shall be the contestant receiving the largest number of points scored in that round. At the end of the contest, the contestant who has to his credit the greatest number of points is the winner of the match. Each round is to be accounted for on the scorecard in figures by the judges. The ten (10) point system shall be used. The score shall be in ratio of merit and demerit of the difference displayed by the contestants. For a draw or even round, ten (10) points shall be given each contestant, the difference in ratio as ten (10) to nine (9), ten (10) to eight (8), or ten (10) to seven (7), as the case may be. The points by which the decision has been reached must be clearly indicated on the scorecard which shall become a permanent record of the contest. When neither contestant has a decided margin in effectiveness, the winner should be determined on points scored, through aggressiveness and sportsmanship. At the conclusion of each contest, the judges shall draw a circle around the name of the winner. In case of a draw, the word "Draw" should be written across the card. In case of a knockout, the scorecard should be marked "K. O.", showing the round in which the knockout occurred. Scorecards should be signed and handed to the announcer. Judges and referees should be discreet at all times and not discuss their decisions, when made, with anyone during a contest.

(b) The commission reserves the right to announce the score of each judge at the end of each round. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 91; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 71; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1169;*

*readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**Rule 12. Physician**

**808 IAC 2-12-1 Medical examination and report; attendance of physician during contest**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 1. Each contestant must be examined within two (2) hours prior to entering the ring by a physician who has been licensed by the commission. If the physician so finds the facts, the physician shall certify, in writing, over his or her signature that each contestant is physically fit to engage in the contest, and the physician's certificate shall be delivered to the referee before the contest. The physician shall be in attendance throughout the contest, in accordance with law, prepared to deal with any emergency that may arise. The physician shall file the report of examination with the commission within twenty-four (24) hours after the contest. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 92; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 72; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1170; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 13. Timekeeper**

**808 IAC 2-13-1 Timekeeper; license; duties; certification of stopwatch knockdown timekeeper; license duties**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-9

Sec. 1. The timekeeper shall:

- (1) be licensed and seated outside the ring close to the gong during the contest;
- (2) provide a whistle and a stopwatch that has been properly examined before the match;
- (3) ten (10) seconds before the beginning of each round, give warning to the seconds of contestants by the blowing of the whistle, which is their signal to leave the ring;
- (4) in the event of a contest terminating before the scheduled limit of rounds, inform the announcer of the exact duration of the contest; and
- (5) not use whistle or sound gong during the progress of a round, except as provided in subdivisions (1) through (4).

*(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 93; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 73; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1170; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**Rule 14. Announcer**

**808 IAC 2-14-1 Authorization by commission**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. No individual will be permitted to act as an announcer at any contest until the individual has obtained permission to so act from the Indiana boxing commission or its authorized representative. All licensed promoters are forbidden to employ any announcer who has not been authorized. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 94; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 73; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1171; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-14-2 Powers and duties of announcer**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 2. Announcers are strictly forbidden to make any announcement whatsoever except when authorized to do so by the commission or its authorized representative at the ringside. The announcer shall receive from the promoter a statement of weights

for all contests and shall make announcement thereof from the ring. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 95; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 73; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1171; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 15. Deputy Commissioners and Inspectors**

**808 IAC 2-15-1 Attendance of deputy commissioners; appointment and assignment of inspectors; powers and duties**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-24

Sec. 1. There shall be present at each contest or exhibition, a deputy commissioner, or at least one (1) inspector appointed by the Indiana professional licensing agency and duly assigned for such contest or exhibition. The commission may appoint for, and assign to, any contest or exhibition, a chief inspector, and as many assistant inspectors as the commission may deem necessary to properly handle and supervise the event. The duties of each deputy commissioner or inspector shall be as follows:

- (1) See that the provisions of the law of this state governing boxing matches, and the rules of the state boxing commission, are strictly observed; they shall be the representatives, as the case may be, of the commission, in every respect.
- (2) Be present at the counting of the gross receipts and shall, immediately after the contest, mail to the commission, on forms furnished them, over their signatures the reports required by law and this title, including the final box office statement received from the promoter conducting such contest or exhibition.
- (3) See that all persons have proper admission tickets and secure their proper seats and count the tickets and stubs after the exhibition and check the press, talent, employees', and complimentary tickets.
- (4) Make an inspection before the exhibition or contest as to the dimensions of the ring, lights, gong, canvas, ropes, resin, and other equipment, and see that the same are in proper shape and in conformity with this article.
- (5) Inspect the dressing room accommodations, see that the contestants, seconds, managers, and all officials are duly licensed and properly equipped; that the bandages, gloves, and protection cups are properly adjusted and in good condition; that the contestants and seconds are properly instructed in their duties; they shall be present at the weighing of the contestants and make a report of such weights to the commission.
- (6) See that the attending physician is duly licensed and has made a complete physical examination of the contestants as provided by law; and that the referee receives a copy of the report of such examining physician before the contest.
- (7) See that there is no coaching while a match is in progress and that all managers and seconds comply with the rules.
- (8) See that there is no betting, gambling, or wagering of any character on the result of, or on any contingency in connection with, a contest or exhibition.
- (9) In general, perform duties as outlined in this section and as provided by law and this title courteously and efficiently, with forbearance and kindness toward the spectators, and fairness toward the promoters, contestants, officials, and all persons concerned; to the end that the contest or exhibition shall be conducted on a high plane, in conformity with law, promotive of the best interests of the sports, and successful from every standpoint.

(*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 96; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 74; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1171; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 16. Seconds**

**808 IAC 2-16-1 Age requirement and qualification of seconds and managers; powers and duties of seconds; violations**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-9

Sec. 1. (a) No license will be issued to seconds of contestants who are under twenty-one (21) years of age.

(b) There shall not be more than three (3) seconds for any one (1) contestant without approval of the commission. A second shall:

- (1) give the referee the names;
- (2) not coach the boxers during the progress of rounds;

- (3) remain seated and silent during rounds;
- (4) not swing towels between rounds (fans may be used between rounds);
- (5) not enter the ring until the timekeeper indicates the termination of a round;
- (6) not spray or forcefully throw water on a contestant;
- (7) leave the ring enclosure at the sound of the timekeeper's whistle ten (10) seconds before the beginning of each round;
- (8) remove all obstructions, buckets, or stools promptly when the gong sounds for the beginning of each round; and
- (9) be neatly attired.

(c) Violations of subsection (b) shall be followed by ejection of offenders from the ring corner and may result in the disqualification of their boxer by the referee. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 97; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 75; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1172; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 17. Weights and Classes**

**808 IAC 2-17-1 Classes and weights; limitation on weight differences**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-25

Sec. 1. (a) The classification in weight schedule shall be as follows:

- (1) Strawweight, one hundred five (105) pounds.
- (2) Light flyweight, one hundred eight (108) pounds.
- (3) Flyweight, one hundred twelve (112) pounds.
- (4) Super flyweight, one hundred fifteen (115) pounds.
- (5) Bantamweight, one hundred eighteen (118) pounds.
- (6) Super bantamweight, one hundred twenty-two (122) pounds.
- (7) Featherweight, one hundred twenty-six (126) pounds.
- (8) Super featherweight, one hundred thirty (130) pounds.
- (9) Lightweight, one hundred thirty-five (135) pounds.
- (10) Super lightweight, one hundred forty (140) pounds.
- (11) Welterweight, one hundred forty-seven (147) pounds.
- (12) Super welterweight, one hundred fifty-four (154) pounds.
- (13) Middleweight, one hundred sixty (160) pounds.
- (14) Super middleweight, one hundred sixty-eight (168) pounds.
- (15) Light heavyweight, one hundred seventy-five (175) pounds.
- (16) Cruiserweight, one hundred ninety-five (195) pounds.
- (17) Heavyweight, all over one hundred ninety-five pounds (195).

(b) No contest may be scheduled and no contestant may engage in a boxing contest without the approval of the commission or the commission's representative if the difference in weight between contestants exceeds the allowance shown in the following schedule:

|                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Up to 118 pounds      | not more than 3 pounds  |
| 118 pounds–126 pounds | not more than 5 pounds  |
| 126 pounds–135 pounds | not more than 7 pounds  |
| 135 pounds–147 pounds | not more than 9 pounds  |
| 147 pounds–160 pounds | not more than 11 pounds |
| 160 pounds–175 pounds | not more than 12 pounds |
| 175 pounds–195 pounds | not more than 20 pounds |
| 195 pounds and over   | no limit                |

(c) If a weigh-in is scheduled on the day of the contest, weight loss in excess of two (2) pounds after the time of the weigh-in is not permitted. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 98; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 75; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1172; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 18. Weighing Time**

**808 IAC 2-18-1 Weighing-in; attendance**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 1. The contestants in main events and exhibitions shall weigh-in stripped prior to the match in the presence of a representative of the commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 99; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 76; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1173; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 19. Equipment—Ring, Ropes**

**808 IAC 2-19-1 Ring size, elevation, and construction; rope and post specifications; cuspidors; steps**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. (a) The boxing ring shall not be less than sixteen (16) feet nor more than twenty-four (24) feet square within the ropes, and shall be elevated three and one-half (3 1/2) feet above the floor and shall be formed of posts and ropes. There shall be four (4) ropes with the lower rope thirteen (13) inches above the ring floor, the second rope twenty-six (26) inches above the ring floor, the third rope thirty-nine (39) inches above the ring floor, and the top rope fifty-two (52) inches above the ring floor. Rope shall not be less than one (1) inch in diameter and shall be wrapped with soft material. The floor of the ring shall extend beyond the lower ropes for a distance of not less than two (2) feet. Posts and the ring floor must be padded with felt or soft material, to be approved by the commission, not less than two (2) inches in thickness, under a canvas covering, and such padding must extend at least two (2) feet outside of the ropes over the edge of the platform.

(b) Cuspidors or some receptacle must be placed in each contestant's corner between rounds. Proper steps must also be provided at two (2) opposite corners of the ring. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 100; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 76; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1173; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**808 IAC 2-19-2 Hygienic gloves for seconds, referees, ringside physicians, and inspectors**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 2. (a) The commission shall provide, at each professional boxing show, an adequate supply of latex disposable hygienic laboratory gloves of a type approved by the commission, to be worn by seconds, referees, ringside physicians, and inspectors while involved with the boxing show.

(b) The commission shall provide, during the medical examination phase of the weigh-in, an adequate supply of latex disposable hygienic laboratory gloves to be worn by ringside physicians and inspectors. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-19-2; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1173; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 20. Gong**

**808 IAC 2-20-1 Gong**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. A gong shall not be less than six (6) inches in diameter and shall be provided by the promoter. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 101; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 76; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1173; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 21. Obstructions**

**808 IAC 2-21-1 Clearance of obstructions**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. The entire ring platform shall be cleared of all obstructions, including buckets, stools, etc., the instant the gong indicates the beginning of the round, and no article shall be placed on the ring floor until the gong has sounded the end of the round. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 102; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm; Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 76; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 22. Gloves**

**808 IAC 2-22-1 Gloves; mouthpiece; inspection; specifications**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 1. (a) Gloves shall be examined by the inspector or deputy commissioner before each contest. If padding is found to be misplaced, lumpy, or imperfect, new gloves shall be provided before the contest starts. No breaking, roughing, or twisting of gloves shall be permitted. Gloves for all events shall be furnished by the promoter. All contestants shall wear gloves of standard make weighing not less than eight (8) ounces, and the gloves worn by each of the contestants shall be equal in weight.

(b) Each participant shall wear an individually fitted mouthpiece. The mouthpiece shall be in the participant's mouth at all times during the fight period of each round as provided in this section. The referee shall handle the ejection of the mouthpiece from the participant's mouth in the following manner:

(1) If the referee believes that the mouthpiece was ejected from the participant's mouth as a result of a natural fight action, the referee shall not charge the participant with the loss of a point. The referee shall wait until the flurry during which the mouthpiece was ejected has subsided. The referee shall then take time out, direct the participant whose mouthpiece remains in place to retire to a neutral corner, and take the other participant to the participant's corner. The referee shall direct that the mouthpiece be rinsed and replaced in the participant's mouth. The referee shall direct that the fight period immediately continue.

(2) If the referee believes that the participant spit out or allowed the mouthpiece to fall out of the participant's mouth, the referee shall do the following:

(A) Upon the first occurrence, wait until the flurry during which the mouthpiece was ejected has subsided. The referee shall then take time out, direct the participant whose mouthpiece remains in place to retire to a neutral corner, and take the other participant to the participant's corner. The referee shall direct that the mouthpiece be rinsed and replaced in the participant's mouth and warn the participant that a point will be deducted if the participant subsequently spits out or allows the mouthpiece to fall out of the participant's mouth. The referee shall direct that the fight period immediately continue.

(B) Upon the second occurrence, wait until the flurry during which the mouthpiece was ejected has subsided. The referee shall then take time out, direct the participant whose mouthpiece remains in place to retire to a neutral corner, and take the other participant to the participant's corner. The referee shall direct that the mouthpiece be rinsed and replaced in the participant's mouth and warn the participant that the participant will be disqualified if the participant subsequently spits out or allows the mouthpiece to fall out of the participant's mouth. The referee shall direct each judge to deduct a point from the participant's score. The referee shall direct that the fight period immediately continue.

(C) Upon the third occurrence, disqualify the participant who spit out or allowed the mouthpiece to fall out of the participant's mouth. The opponent of such participant shall be declared the winner due to disqualification. The commission representative shall immediately advise the promoter that the purse of such participant shall be forfeited and paid over to the commission.

(*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 103; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 76; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1174; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 23. Protection Cups**

**808 IAC 2-23-1 Protection cups**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. No contestant will be allowed to enter the ring with a protection cup that is dented or in any way imperfect. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 104; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 76; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 24. Water Buckets and Related Equipment**

**808 IAC 2-24-1 Stools, buckets, bottles, and other equipment**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. Promoters shall provide stools for seconds and such other articles as are required in the conduct of contests, including a clean bucket and a clean bottle for each contestant. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 105; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 77; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1174; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 25. Scales**

**808 IAC 2-25-1 Scales**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. Scales of standard make shall be furnished by the promoter and shall be approved by the inspector. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 106; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 77; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1174; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 26. Bandages**

**808 IAC 2-26-1 Bandages and taping**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. (a) In all weight classes, the bandages on each hand shall be:

- (1) restricted to soft gauze cloth not more than thirteen (13) yards in length and two (2) inches in width;
- (2) held in place by not more than ten (10) feet of surgeon's tape, one (1) inch in width;
- (3) linked to one (1) winding of surgeon's adhesive tape, not over one and one-half (1 1/2) inches wide, placed directly for protection near the wrist and the tape may cross the back of the hand twice but shall not extend to within one-half (1/2) inch of the knuckles when the hand is clenched to make a fist; and
- (4) evenly distributed across the hand, without zigzagging, lumping, or curling.

(b) No liquids, powder, or other substances of any kind shall be applied to the hands before or after they are bandaged.

(c) All bandages and taping shall be adjusted in the dressing room in the presence of an inspector or representative of the commission and shall be subject to the approval of the referee as the representative. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 107; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 77; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1175; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 27. Shoes**

**808 IAC 2-27-1 Shoes (Repealed)**

Sec. 1. *(Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176)*

**Rule 28. Down**

**808 IAC 2-28-1 “Down” defined**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-5

Sec. 1. A contestant shall be deemed “down” when:

- (a) Any part of his body other than his feet is on the ring floor;
- (b) He is hanging helplessly over the ropes;
- (c) Rising from “down” position.

Note—(b) A boxer hanging over the ropes is not officially “down” until so pronounced by the referee, who can count the boxer out either on the ropes or on the floor.

Note—(c) A contestant may go down through accident or weakness but must rise instantly or be subject to penalty of loss of decision. If he is sent down by a blow, he may remain down until the count of “nine” without being disqualified or counted out. *(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 109; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 77; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**Rule 29. Fouls**

**808 IAC 2-29-1 Fouls**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 1. A contestant shall be guilty of a foul if he commits any one of the following offenses:

- (1) Hitting below the belt;
- (2) Hitting an opponent who is down or who is getting up after being down;
- (3) Holding an opponent or deliberately maintaining a clinch;
- (4) Holding an opponent with one hand and hitting with the other hand;
- (5) Intentional butting with the head or shoulder or using the knee;
- (6) Unintentional butting of an opponent with the hand, shoulder, or knee where said opponent is able to continue fighting in spite of the butt.
- (7) Hitting with inside or butt of the hand, or with wrist or elbows;
- (8) Hitting or “flicking” with the open glove;
- (9) Wrestling or roughing at the ropes;
- (10) Purposely going down without being hit;
- (11) Striking deliberately at that part of the body over the kidneys;
- (12) The use of the pivot blow and/or rabbit punch;
- (13) The use of abusive or profane language.
- (14) Failure to break clean. (Striking a blow while breaking from the clinches is strictly prohibited.)
- (15) The failure to obey the referee; or the Commission of any act or acts which may injure a contestant, except by fair sportsmanlike boxing.

*(State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 110; filed Aug 8, 1955; 1:00 pm: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 77; filed May 24, 1982, 10:25 am: 5 IR 1405; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-29-2 Low blow fouls**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1

Sec. 2. A contestant may not be awarded a contest on a claim of a low blow foul unless the referee determines that, due to the severity and deliberativeness of the low blow foul, the boxer responsible for the low blow foul shall be disqualified. A referee may penalize any contestant who deliberately fouls the opponent during a contest with a loss of points and round. In the case of a foul when the referee does not determine that the boxer responsible shall be disqualified, the referee shall determine if the boxer who has been fouled can continue or not. If the boxer's chances have not been seriously jeopardized as a result of the foul, the referee may order the match to continue after an interval of not more than five (5) minutes. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-29-2; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1175; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 30. Number and Duration of Rounds**

**808 IAC 2-30-1 Number and duration of rounds; intermission between rounds**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-18

Sec. 1. No match shall be of more than twelve (12) rounds in duration and no one (1) round shall extend for a longer period than three (3) minutes. There shall not be less than one (1) minute intermission between each round. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 111; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 78; filed Feb 1, 1999, 10:49 a.m.: 22 IR 2004; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 31. Contests in Conjunction with Other Entertainment**

**808 IAC 2-31-1 Contests combined with other entertainment; licensing**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-6; IC 25-9-1-9

Sec. 1. All boxing contests or exhibitions in which prizes or purses are awarded one (1) or both contestants, or where an admission is charged or received, that are held or given in connection with any theatrical performance, circus, picnic, sideshows at fairs, club smokers, lodges, stag parties, benefits, or any other amusements come under the provisions of the law in relation to athletic exhibitions and are strictly prohibited except by special license and permission of the commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 112; filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 78; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1175; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236*)

**Rule 32. Powers of Commission**

**808 IAC 2-32-1 Power of commission (Repealed)**

Sec. 1. (*Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207*)

**Rule 33. Insurance**

**808 IAC 2-33-1 Insurance coverage; employees; liability**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 22-3; IC 25-9-1-5; IC 25-9-1-7

Sec. 1. No permit will be issued to any person or corporation unless the person or corporation insures all employees in and about the premises where the exhibition is to be held, as provided for in IC 22-3, and the person or corporation carries general public liability insurance to protect the person or the corporation in the death of one (1) or more persons limited to not less than policies having limits of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for each person, and three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for each occurrence. Such liability policies and the limits thereof shall be subject to the approval of the Indiana boxing commission. (*State Boxing Commission; PT II, Sec 115, filed Aug 8, 1955, 1:00 p.m.: Rules and Regs. 1956, p. 79; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 a.m.: 3*

*IR 206; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1175; readopted filed Jun 8, 2001, 2:38 p.m.: 24 IR 3236)*

**808 IAC 2-33-2 Insurance coverage for licensed contestants**

Authority: IC 25-9-1-2

Affected: IC 25-9-1-7

Sec. 2. (a) The promoter, licensed pursuant to IC 25-9-1-7, shall obtain insurance coverage for each licensed contestant in an amount to be determined by the commission, which shall provide for medical, surgical, and hospital care for injuries sustained while engaged in a boxing or sparring match, a semiprofessional elimination contest, or an exhibition.

(b) The promoter shall obtain life insurance for each licensed contestant in an amount to be determined by the commission, which shall be paid to the contestant's estate in the event of the contestant's death resulting from participation in such boxing or sparring match, semiprofessional elimination contest, or exhibition.

(c) No boxing or sparring match, semiprofessional elimination contest, or exhibition shall be approved in this state unless the promoter is in full compliance with the requirements of the section concerning insurance coverage. (*State Boxing Commission; 808 IAC 2-33-2; filed Sep 27, 2001, 2:26 p.m.: 25 IR 383*)

**Rule 34. Gymnasiums**

**808 IAC 2-34-1 Gymnasiums (Repealed)**

Sec. 1. (*Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 28, 1979, 10:40 am: 3 IR 207*)

**ARTICLE 3. WRESTLING (REPEALED)**

(*Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Dec 1, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 16 IR 1176*)

**ARTICLE 4. TAEKWONDO (REPEALED)**

(*Repealed by State Boxing Commission; filed Sep 20, 2001, 3:58 p.m.: 25 IR 383*)

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