

Code of Alabama

Title 41. State Government. (Refs & Annos)

Chapter 9. Boards and Commissions. (Refs & Annos)

Article 43. Alabama Athletic Commission. (Refs & Annos)

Ala.Code 1975 § 41-9-1033

§ 41-9-1033. Participant requirements.

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Currentness

No person shall arrange, promote, organize, produce, or participate in a match, contest, or exhibition of professional boxing, professional bare knuckle boxing, professional wrestling, amateur mixed martial arts, or professional mixed martial arts unless he or she has complied with the following requirements:

(1) An examination by a physician who has certified that the boxer, bare knuckle boxer, or mixed martial arts competitor is physically fit to compete safely. Copies of each certificate shall be provided to the commission prior to the match, contest, or exhibition of professional boxing, professional bare knuckle boxing, amateur mixed martial arts, or professional mixed martial arts. The commission may require a boxer, bare knuckle boxer, tough man contestant, wrestler, or mixed martial arts competitor to undergo a physical examination, including neurological or neuropsychological tests and procedures.

(2) A physician approved by the commission shall be continuously present at ringside during every match, contest, or exhibition of professional boxing, professional bare knuckle boxing, tough man contest, professional wrestling, amateur mixed martial arts, or professional mixed martial arts. The physician shall observe the physical condition of the boxers, bare knuckle boxers, tough man contestants, wrestlers, or competitors in mixed martial arts and advise the referee with regard to the boxers, bare knuckle boxers, tough man contestants, wrestlers, or competitors.

(3) One or more inspectors appointed by the commission as duly authorized representatives of the commission shall be present at each match, contest, or exhibition of professional boxing, professional bare knuckle boxing, tough man contests, professional wrestling, amateur mixed martial arts, or professional mixed martial arts to ensure that the rules are strictly observed. An inspector or other duly authorized representative of the commission shall be present at the weigh-in and at the ring during the conduct of the match, contest, or exhibition of professional boxing, professional bare knuckle boxing, amateur mixed martial arts, or professional mixed martial arts. Inspectors and other duly authorized representatives of the commission shall have free access to the dressing rooms of the professional boxers, professional bare knuckle boxers, tough man contestants, and mixed martial arts competitors.

(4) Each boxer, bare knuckle boxer, tough man contestant, wrestler, or competitor in mixed martial arts shall be covered by health insurance that will cover injuries sustained during the match, contest, or exhibition of professional boxing, professional bare knuckle boxing, tough man contest, professional wrestling, amateur mixed martial arts, or professional mixed martial arts.

(5) An ambulance and medical personnel with appropriate resuscitation equipment shall be continuously present at the site during any match, contest, or exhibition of professional boxing, professional bare knuckle boxing, tough man contest, professional wrestling, amateur mixed martial arts, or professional mixed martial arts.

Credits

(Act 2009-622, p. 1872, § 14; Act 2010-222, p. 392, § 1; Act 2013-285, p. 961, § 1; Act 2019-491, § 1.)

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