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Rule Citation	Short Description	Regulatory Text	Statutory Authority	# of Discretionary Regulatory Restrictions
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	(a) Applications for annual license <u>shall</u> be submitted to the Commission on an application form provided by the Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	1. No license or permit <u>shall</u> be issued until the person seeking the license or permit has submitted a complete application.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	Licenses shall be issued annually and <u>shall</u> expire on December 31 of each calendar year.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	B. Background Investigation. The Commission <u>shall</u> request general background information of any applicant for any license.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Violations	Verbal or physical abuse of official or commission appointed supervisor. Any licensee who verbally or physically abuses an official or member of the Commission appointed supervisor of a match, contest, or exhibition <u>shall</u> be summarily suspended and his or her license may be revoked.	1975 § 41-9-1038	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Meetings	(c) Any person wishing to address the Commission <u>shall</u> be given the opportunity to do so during the new business section of the next regularly scheduled	1975 § 41-9-1026	0 Required By Statute

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		Commission meeting.		
165-X-1-.02	Violations	Promoters, referees, judges, timekeepers, matchmakers, boxers, managers, trainers, seconds or their agents, are prohibited from petitioning any individual Commissioner with the intent of affecting the outcome of an application or other issue being actively reviewed or expected to be reviewed by the Commission. Persons who violate this rule <u>shall</u> be subject to disciplinary action.	1975 § 41-9-1038	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	(i) Documents. All documents submitted to the Commission for the purposes of making application or any other purpose <u>shall</u> be property of the Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	(a) Application Fee. All application and renewal fees shall be submitted with the application or renewal. All fees <u>shall</u> be by personal check, certified check, or money order.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	All fees <u>shall</u> be paid by cash, certified check, cashier's check, or personal check.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	1. Each application for a promoter's license <u>shall</u> be accompanied with	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute

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		cash, certified check, cashier's check, or personal check in the amount of \$250.00 and made out to the Alabama Athletic Commission.		
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	Each application for a promoter's license shall be accompanied with an appropriate security bond.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	Applications for a promoter's license shall be signed in the presence of a Commission representative, or shall be signed in the presence of and verified by a notary public	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	1. The promoter shall provide the Commission's executive director a video of the match, contest, or exhibition within fourteen (14) days of the match, contest, or exhibition. The video shall be provided in a format acceptable to the Commission or the commission executive director. The Commission reserves the right to change the requested format of the video at any time.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	1. Any licensed promoter who partners or	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute

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		<p>joint-ventures with any other person, for the promotion of a boxing match, contest, or exhibition in this state, <u>shall</u> disclose to the Commission each party's financial responsibility in the partnership or joint-venture. The promoter licensed by the Commission <u>shall</u> be considered the principal promoter of the show and will be solely responsible for all financial. Contracts <u>shall</u> be filed with the Commission delimiting each party's financial responsibility.</p>		
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	<p>1. Any licensed promoter who partners or joint-ventures with any other person, or the promotion of a boxing match, contest, or exhibition in this state, <u>shall</u> be considered a co-promoter.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	<p>11. Any co-promoter of a boxing <u>shall</u> obtain a promoter license from the Commission. There <u>shall</u> be no limitation on the number of days prior to a match, contest or exhibition when a co-promoter's application may be submitted to the Commission however, the application</p>	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute

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		must be submitted thirty (30) days prior to <u>promoting</u> the match, contest or exhibition.		
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	(i) Rules and requirements <u>shall</u> be the same for co-promoters as for promoters, provided however that the Commission may <u>require</u> from each co-promoter, in addition to the promoter's license bond, a suitable match permit bond or such other financial security as defined by these rules or the Alabama Boxing, Wrestling, and Mixed Martial Arts Act.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	(ii) Agreements between the co-promoter and the promoter for payment of any purse <u>shall</u> be submitted to the Commission and approved prior to the start of the match, contest, or exhibition.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	(iii) Agreements between the co-promoter and the promoter for payment of any fees, and taxes <u>shall</u> be submitted to the Commission and approved prior to the start of the match, contest, or exhibition.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.02	Match Permits	2.Each match permit application <u>shall</u> be accompanied by a in the amount of \$250.00 and made out to the Alabama Athletic Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Match Permits	3.A match permit fee will be calculated by the Commission. Match permit fee <u>shall</u> be calculated at six percent (6%) of gross receipts from ticket sales to the professional boxing match, contest, or exhibition. For television and broadcasts, match permit fee <u>shall</u> be calculated at three percent (3%) of gross receipts from television and broadcast revenue for the first one million dollars (\$1,000,000) of revenue and one percent (1%) of the next two million (\$2,000,000). Match Permit fees and Broadcast fees will cap at fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) total.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Match Permits	(iii)The promoter shall have thirty (30) days to submit the Permit Fee. Permit fees not received within thirty (30) days of the planned event may be subject to an additional match permit application and match permit application fee	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Match Permits	4.Each application for a match permit <u>shall</u> be accompanied with an appropriate security bond as	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute

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		provided for in these rules.		
165-X-1-.02	Promoter Licenses	5. (ii) The Commission <u>shall</u> notify the applicant that his or her application has been approved or denied within seven (7) days of the Commission's decision.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Match Permits	1. No match permit <u>shall</u> be issued for a charitable match, contest, or exhibition without full financial disclosure of all promoters and charitable organizations involved, including all contracts and proposals between all licensees, officials, and parties involved.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Charity Events	2. Within three (3) business days after a match, contest, or exhibition benefiting a charitable organization is held, the promoter(s) and benefiting charitable organization(s) <u>shall</u> furnish to the Commission:	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Charity Events	(i) A certified copy of the ticket manifest showing the number of tickets sold. The manifest <u>shall</u> give a breakdown disclosing the number-of tickets sold in each price range	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute

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		the number of complimentary tickets given for the match, contest, or exhibition; and		
165-X-1-.02	Charity Events	<p>If the promoter or charitable organization fails to file any of these statements within the prescribed time, the Commission:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(i) <u>Shall</u> notify the promoter that his or her license is summarily suspended.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Charity Events	<p>(ii) <u>Shall</u> notify the charity of the suspension.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Physical Requirements	<p>d. Boxers. Boxers applying to be licensed in Alabama shall meet the medical <u>requirements</u> laid out in 165-X-1-.04.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1031	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	<p>e. Matchmakers. Matchmakers applying for licensure <u>shall</u> meet the following <u>requirements</u>:</p>	1975 § 41-9-1030	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Permits	<p>1. A matchmaker may, upon the request of the Commission, demonstrate that he or she has the necessary background to be a matchmaker, and <u>shall</u> produce a list of all professional fighters that he or she has matched, the promoters who promoted the matches, and the</p>	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute



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		results of the matches		
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	(a) Trainers. Trainers applying for licensure <u>shall</u> meet the following requirements:	1975 § 41-9-1030	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	1. An applicant may, upon the request of the Commission, demonstrate that he or she has experience in training boxers, and <u>shall</u> produce a list of all professional fighters that he or she has trained, the promoters who promoted the matches, and the results of the matches. The applicant may be required to provide a list of amateur fighters that he or she has trained.	1975 § 41-9-1030	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	g. Seconds. Seconds applying for licensure <u>shall</u> meet the following requirements:	1975 § 41-9-1030	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.02	Licenses	Falsifying an application. Upon a finding by the majority of the Commission that any licensee or applicant has knowingly made a misleading, deceptive, untrue or fraudulent representation in regard to a professional match contest or exhibition of boxing or any document connected therewith or practiced fraud or deceit or intentionally made any false statement in obtaining a license to participate or promote a professional match	1975 § 41-9-1030	0 Required By Statute

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		contest or exhibition of boxing or made a false statement or deceptive registration with the Commission then the Commission shall have the authority to refuse to grant a license to an applicant, revoke the license of a person licensed by the Commission, or discipline a person licensed by the Commission.		
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	a. Before any promoter's license is issued authorizing the promotion of professional boxing matches in Alabama, the applicant shall make and deliver to the Commission a security bond executed by a surety corporation authorized to transact business in this state.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	Any and all bond applications shall be on a form provided or approved by the Commission, and shall be accompanied by an enforceable power of attorney. The Commission may also require a certificate of "good standing" issued by the Commissioner of Insurance.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	(a) The bond shall be in such amount as the commission may determine based upon the payment of officials' fees, fees necessary to secure the proper medical supervision of any professional boxing show in Alabama, and/or the	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute

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		estimated potential damages, penalties, taxes or expenses resulting from promotional activities contemplated in Alabama.		
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	e. Whenever the Commission <u>shall</u> determine that a previously approved bond has for any cause become insufficient, the Commission may require an additional bond or bonds to be given, conforming with the requirements of these rules.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	1. Unless the additional promoter's license bond or bonds are given within the time fixed by written demand therefore, or if the promoter's license bond of a licensee is canceled, the license of such person <u>shall</u> be summarily suspended without notice or hearing.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	a. Before any match permit is issued authorizing the sale of tickets and the ancillary contracting necessary to promote a professional boxing show in Alabama, the applicant <u>shall</u> make and deliver to the Commission a security bond executed by a surety corporation authorized to transact business in this state. The purpose of the bond is to ensure that each Contestant competing in Alabama is paid their entire	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute

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		<p>purse, and that full payment of other contractual liabilities is made.</p>		
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	<p>b. Any and all bond applications <u>shall</u> be on a form provided by the Commission and <u>shall</u> be accompanied by an enforceable power of attorney. The Commission may also require a certificate of 'good standing' issued by the Commissioner of Insurance.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	<p>c. If any company issuing a bond <u>shall</u> be removed from doing business in this state, it <u>shall</u> be the duty of the Com.issioner of Insurance to notify the Alabama Athletic Commission within 30 days.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	<p>d. The bond <u>shall</u> be in such amount as the Com.ission may determine based upon the estimated contractual liabilities against the licensed promoter for damages and expenses resulting from non-payment of contract liabilities, including but not limited to the total amount of each competing Contestant's purse or other services contracted for or from promotional activities conducted within Alabama.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Bonds		1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.03	Bonds	e.Where ever the Commission <u>shall</u> determine that a previously approved bond has for any cause become insufficient, the Commission may require additional bond or bonds to be given, conforming with the requirements of these rules.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Bonds	1. Unless the additional match permit bond or bonds are given within the time fixed by written demand, or if the match permit bond of a licensee is canceled, the match permit of such person shall be summarily suspended and without notice or hearing.	1975 § 41-9-1029	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Complaints	(2) Complaints and Actions to Recover Damages. Complaints <u>shall</u> be categorized and kept on file by the Commission the appropriate action to be taken. Reports of illegal events, contesting of bout results, complaints against a licensee, and claims against a bond <u>shall</u> be categorized as complaints.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.03	Complaints	a.Any person claiming that he or she has been damaged by a breach of the conditions of a bond given by a licensee as provided in these rules <u>shall</u> notify the Attorney General.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	1. Such examination <u>shall</u> include	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		a careful examination for signs of any trauma-induced neurological damage along with any other specific test or tests requested by the neurologist.		
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	2. Such examination shall include a careful dilated examination of the retinal periphery utilizing indirect ophthalmoscope sufficient to identify any sign of previous trauma or retinal damage along with any other specific test or tests requested by said ophthalmologist or optometrist.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	(2) Pre-Fight Examination. At the time of weigh-in, or at such other time as is then announced, all boxers <u>must</u> pass a pre-fight medical examination and a Commission designated physician <u>must</u> complete a Pre-Fight Medical Examination Form. The examining physician <u>shall</u> deliver all Pre-Fight Examination Forms to the Athletic Commission or to its authorized representative on the day of the weigh-in.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	1. Each female boxer, during the pre-fight physical, will be required to submit to a pregnancy test administered under the	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		direction of the examining physician, or such physician's authorized assistant. The cost of such test, unless the boxer's contract or bout agreement states otherwise, <u>shall</u> be the responsibility of the promoter. Pregnant fighters may not fight.		
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	2.Female boxers submitting written documentation acceptable to the examining physician may be waived from the pre-fight physical pregnancy test requirement. Such documentation <u>shall</u> be limited to:	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	1. Whenever a boxer's examination indicates that he or she is unfit for competition, because of any weakness or disability discovered by the physician, an immediate report of such evidence <u>must</u> be made to the Commission. In such <u>case</u> , the boxer <u>shall</u> be prohibited from participating in the match.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	2.The examining physician <u>shall</u> deliver all pre-fight examination reports to the Commission or to its authorized representative immediately after the weigh-in.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	1. Medical suspensions. Other athletic commissions recognized by the Association of Boxing Commissions and which are published by any boxing registry approved for such purposes by the Association of Boxing Commissions <u>shall</u> be recognized by the Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	3.Any contestant who fails his or her pre-fight physical for medical reasons or for lack of general conditioning <u>shall</u> be placed on immediate medical suspension and reported to the Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	1.At the official weigh-in, all boxers' hydration <u>shall</u> be tested using digital fiber optic refractometers or other hydration testing method as determined by the appointed event physician.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	(ii) The Commission <u>shall</u> require re-examinations submitted after each successive fifty (50) professional rounds after the previous submission, as disclosed on such boxer's official ring record.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute



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165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	2. Medical examinations after suspensions. A boxer who is under medical suspension in another state <u>shall</u> submit to any medical examination listed in this chapter as requested by the Commission prior to competing in a contest or exhibition in this state.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	1. No boxer <u>shall</u> be permitted to engage in another contest or exhibition in this state for a period of seven (7) days after competing in a contest or exhibition.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	1. Any boxer who suffers a knock out, concussion, or other serious head injury <u>shall</u> be examined by the Ringside Physician. The Physician <u>shall</u> immediately report to the Commission or its representative, the condition of such boxer and whether or not additional medical attention is advised.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	1. When a boxer is defeated by knock out, that boxer's license <u>shall</u> be placed on an immediate sixty (60) day medical suspension.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	3. A Post-Knock Out Examination Form <u>shall</u> be	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		completed by a physician and submitted to the Commission along with request for medical clearance for thirty (30) days prior to participating in a contest or exhibition in this state. Any boxer losing by knock out in two (2) or more consecutive fights <u>shall</u> be placed on immediate medical suspension for a period of six (6) months.		
<b>165-X-1-.04</b>	Medical Requirements	4. Unless otherwise ordered by the attending ringside physician, there <u>shall</u> be a minimum thirty (30) day medical suspension after a technical knockout.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.04</b>	Medical Requirements	5. Technical knock outs caused by a severe cut <u>shall</u> result in either a forty-five (45) day or sixty (60) day medical suspension.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.04</b>	Medical Requirements	k.1. A boxer deemed under-conditioned by the referee; the Commission, or any designated representative of the Commission, <u>shall</u> be immediately disqualified and suspended for ninety (90) days.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.04</b>	Medical Requirements	(i) If it should be determined by the referee, any member of the Commission present, or any designated representative of the	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		Commission present that a boxer did not give a good faith effort to display his or her skills, then that boxer <u>shall</u> be subject to disciplinary action.		
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	1. The trainer or manager for a boxer that meets the following criteria <u>shall</u> submit an affidavit that the boxer is prepared for a professional contest:	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	n.1. During the performance of any promotion, it <u>shall</u> be the promoter's responsibility to ensure compliance with all laws and rules governing professional boxing in Alabama. Such responsibilities shall include, but will not be limited to the following:	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	(I) The promoter <u>shall</u> provide for the boxers' insurance covering ambulance services, medical, surgical, and hospital care with a minimum limit of \$20,000 for injuries sustained while participating in said program and for a \$20,000 death benefit awarded to the estate of any contestant should death occur from injuries received while participating <i>in</i> the contest or exhibition.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	I.A ringside physician <u>shall</u> be present at all	1975 § 41-9-1024	0

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		events. A Commission designated ringside physician <u>must</u> be at ringside each bout. A Commission designated ringside physician <u>shall</u> be either a M.D. or D.O.		Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	I. The promoter <u>shall</u> provide continuous ambulance service with a state-certified EMT attendant and state-certified paramedic, who <u>shall</u> provide a resuscitator, stretcher, backboard, oxygen, and such other medical equipment reasonably expected for immediate trauma care, and who <u>shall</u> be present before the start of each contest and <u>shall</u> remain on site until the end of the program.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	iii. The chief referee and/or Commission appointed supervisor <u>shall</u> meet with the EMT and paramedic prior to the beginning of the match, contest, or exhibition.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	(IV) An ambulance <u>shall</u> be able and available to immediately transport any severely injured boxer to an appropriate medical facility.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	(I) In addition to the above mentioned ambulance, a paramedic, licensed by the State of Alabama, <u>shall</u> be present at ringside with the	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		<p>ringside physician. The paramedic <u>shall</u> possess advanced life support equipment necessary to resuscitate a fighter and package them for transport to the hospital. The paramedic is in addition to any EMT's or paramedics that are hired for the safety of the crowd and <u>shall</u> not leave ringside while a fight is taking place and <u>shall</u> be always in direct communication with the ringside physician. The ringside paramedic <u>shall</u> only leave ringside to attend to a spectator or other person in the event of an emergency and when no other paramedic is available.</p>		
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	<p>(I)Blood borne pathogen testing. All boxers in all bouts <u>shall</u> be tested for Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, and HIV by a laboratory approved by the Commission. The initial test for Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, and HIV detection <u>shall</u> be conducted within (365) days prior to competition.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.04	Medical Requirements	<p>In addition to the pre-competition test, any boxer <u>shall</u> be re-tested for Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, and HIV prior to his or her participation in each boxing match, contest, or</p>	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		exhibition in Alabama if the match, contest, or exhibition is scheduled to occur more than {365} days after the date of the most recent test. The results <u>must</u> be submitted to the Commission with the show date request prior to the official		
<b>165-X-1-.04</b>	Medical Requirements	(II) Positive tests for blood-borne pathogens. Any boxer who tests positive for Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, or HIV <u>shall</u> appear before the medical advisory panel, which after verifying the results of the test, <u>shall</u> advise the Commission as to whether the boxer's participation in a match, contest, or exhibition would pose a threat to the health and safety of a participant, official, or spectator.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	(1) General Safety. It <u>shall</u> be the promoter's responsibility to ensure safety for the Contestants, officials, media and fans and to comply with all safety standards required by the Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	(a) Arena Security. Arena security is the responsibility of the promoter and such security measures provided by the promoter <u>shall</u> be sufficient to maintain order. At a minimum, two (2) sworn off duty law	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		enforcement officers <u>shall</u> be retained for security.		
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	e. Advanced Advertising. In addition to the requirements in this Chapter, no. contestant or celebrity <u>shall</u> be advertised by any promoter before said promoter has in his or her possession a written commitment from said contestant or celebrity and before said promoter has filed a copy of such written commitment with the Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	g. Main Event Start Time. The final bout for all boxing or mixed martial arts events sanctioned by the Alabama Athletic and Entertainment Commission <u>shall</u> start by 11:59pm on the date for which the event permit is approved.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	a. It <u>shall</u> be the responsibility of the Commission representative to assign .one or more physicians at ringside during each boxing or mixed martial arts contest.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	1. The promoter <u>shall</u> compensate assigned ringside physicians in an amount to be mutually agreed upon by the promoter.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	1.Promoters <u>shall</u> be required by the commission appointed supervisor to post a Guard or Commission appointed inspector at the entrance to the dressing rooms to aid in enforcement of dressing room security.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	2.A separate dressing area <u>shall</u> be provided for all referees and judges and all other Commission appointed representatives.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	a.Promoter Responsibilities For Media Personnel.  It <u>shall</u> be the responsibility of the promoter to provide access to any sanctioned event to media professionals for print, television, radio and online media. The promoter has a duty to provide unencumbered access to media professionals while ensuring their personal safety at the event.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	1.Promoters of boxing events <u>shall</u> provide media personnel with easily identifiable credentials that are clearly visible to state inspectors.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions		1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute



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165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	Promoters of boxing events shall provide a four-foot (4') wide open buffer zone between credentialed media and the ring apron.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	Promoters shall provide security in the general area of credentialed media to insure they are allowed to perform their job functions with a clear view of the action and without hindrance from ticket holders, fight staff or others.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	1.Promoters shall ensure the personal safety of any credentialed media by providing a police officer in any area designated for interviews, photographs or press conferences.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	a.Promoters or contestants that violate any section of this chapter shall be referred to the investigations hearing of the Alabama Athletic Commission for further action. Provided however that any action taken as a result of the hearing or by the full Commission to enforce or attempt to enforce the provisions of this chapter will be taken only after notice and hearing according to the Alabama Administrative Procedure Act. Either paragraph (a) or (b) within this subsection shall be subject to disciplinary action by the Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	a.Marketing Prohibited Without Prior Commission Approval. Commission approval or authorization must be obtained prior to selling tickets, making announcements, or distributing advertisements concerning any show, show date, contestants, or matches of professional boxing or professional mixed martial arts. Violations <u>shall</u> be referred to the investigations hearing of the Commission for disciplinary action.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	1.Unless otherwise approved by the Commission, promoters <u>shall</u> schedule no less than twenty (25) rounds of boxing on one (1) program. An emergency bout <u>must</u> be provided in case any of the scheduled bouts are not held.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	No boxing match <u>shall</u> have any rounds lasting longer than three (3) minutes.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	1`.No boxing or exhibition <u>shall</u> be permitted for more than ten (10) round duration, except in a championship match, which <u>shall</u> not exceed twelve (12) rounds.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	a.Card Approval. Requests for preliminary approval of boxing cards should be received by the Executive Director of the Commission or	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		Commission appointed supervisor no less than ten (10) days prior to the start of the event. The names and federal identification numbers and verification numbers of all competitors <u>must</u> be included and <u>shall</u> be typed. No hand written requests <u>shall</u> be accepted. The Final card <u>must</u> be received by the Commission appointed supervisor or Chief Inspector no less than three (3) days prior to the date of the contest.		
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	a. Method of Payment. Except as otherwise stated below, purses <u>shall</u> be paid by check, certified or cashier's check immediately after the contest. No cash <u>shall</u> be accepted. Payments of percentage contracts <u>shall</u> be made as soon as the amount can be determined. If requested by the Commission or by any Contestant, all purse payments <u>shall</u> be made in the presence of the authorized Commission representative.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	(I)Weights expressed on bout agreements for all four(4) and <b>six {6}</b> round bouts <u>shall</u> allow no less than a +/-2 pounds variance of the contracted weight.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	(II)Weights expressed on bout agreements for all championship (12 rounds) matches <u>shall</u> be	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		absolute and <u>shall not</u> allow for any variance.		
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	a.Contract or Bout Agreement: File with Commission. One (1) copy of each signed written agreement or contract, once executed by both parties and within three (3) calendar days of such execution, <u>shall</u> be filed with the Commission or the Commission appointed representative.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	1.No boxing or mixed martial arts match <u>shall</u> be allowed to commence prior to execution of a signed contract or bout agreement by both parties or before said contract or bout agreement is submitted to the Commission or the Commission appointed representative.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	Violations: Grounds for Suspension. Violation by either party of any written bout agreement or contract may be grounds for suspension of any license issued by the commission and <u>shall</u> in addition to such suspension result in a fine or other disciplinary action imposed by the Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	Violations <u>shall</u> be referred to the investigations hearing of the Commission for disciplinary action.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		<p>a.The failure of a promoter to perform according to the terms of the contract; to produce contestants or special added attractions as advertised; to pay the contestants their contractual guarantee, or percentage; or the failure of a promoter to live up to his or her agreement with his or her contestants or performers who did perform as scheduled is prohibited and violations shall be referred to an investigative hearing of the Commission for disciplinary action.</p>		
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	<p>b.Contestant Failure to Perform. The failure of a contestant under contract with a licensed promoter to perform according to the terms of said contract; or the failure of a contestant to live up to his or her agreement with a person to which the contestant is under contractual agreement is prohibited. Violations shall be referred to an investigative hearing of he Commission for disciplinary action.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.05	Conduct of Promotions	<p>i.Violation of either paragraph (a) or (b) within this subsection may, for the first offense, be grounds for administrative suspension of not less than 90 days and a fine of not more than the contracted purse amount disclosed on the bout</p>	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		agreement or contract. Violations <u>shall</u> be referred to an investigative hearing of the Commission for disciplinary action.		
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	(ii)The second and/or any subsequent violation by any person of either paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) within this subsection may, in addition to any suspension by the Commission, subject the violator to a fine of not more than the contracted purse amount as disclosed on the bout agreement or contract plus not more than an additional \$10,000. Said fine to be imposed by the Commission. Violations <u>shall</u> be referred to an investigative hearing by the Commission for disciplinary action. Additional disciplinary action may be imposed.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.05</b>	Conduct of Promotions	(iii)Any person or license holder violating on three(3) or more occasions either sub-paragraph (a) or sub-paragraph(b) within this subsection shall have his or her license suspended indefinitely. Provided however that any action by the Commission to enforce or attempt to enforce the provisions of	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.06</b>	Ring and Equipment	a.Any dimension in this rule, where the unit of measurement is "inches," <u>shall</u> be considered only as a general and approximate	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		guideline. Where such dimension guidelines are exceeded, the Commission appointed supervisor <u>shall</u> have the authority to allow or disallow any such variance from the established guideline.		
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	1.A ring size greater than twenty feet (20') on a side within the ropes <u>shall</u> only be allowed after unanimous agreement of all the boxers contracted to appear on the show.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	For purposes of the subparagraph, the term "all boxers" <u>shall</u> be limited to those boxers contracted to compete in bouts of eight (8) rounds or more.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	a. Safety Padding. The ring floor <u>shall</u> be padded with one-inch (1") thick .slow recovery foam matting, or other soft material approved by the Commission or its authorized representative, and <u>shall</u> extend over the edge of the ring platform with a top covering of canvas, duck or similar material tightly stretched and laced to the ring platform. Padding material that tends to gather in lumps may not be used.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	(c)Ring Mat. The mat and covering <u>shall</u> be kept clean and free from disagreeable odors at all times. The corners <u>must</u> be covered by a pad long enough to cover all the rope joints.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	(d)Platform Height. The ring platform <u>shall</u> not be more than fifty-four inches (54") from the floor of the building and <u>shall</u> be provided with suitable steps for use by the contestants.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	(e)Ringside Tables. Each promoter <u>shall</u> be responsible for employing a safety plan to protect boxers who might fall outside of elevated rings. Except where deemed impractical, the floor of those sides not so protected <u>shall</u> be covered with protective matting.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	(f)Ring Posts. Ring posts <u>shall</u> be made of some strong material, preferably metal pipe, three inches (3") in diameter, extending from the floor of the building to a height of at least fifty-eight inches (58") above the ring floor	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute



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165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	(a) Rope Dimensions. Ring ropes <u>shall</u> be four (4) in number, at least one inch (1") in diameter, the lower rope eighteen inches (18") above the ring floor and the top rope fifty-two inches (52") from the ring floor. The two remaining ropes will be evenly spread between the top and bottom ropes. All four ropes <u>shall</u> be wrapped in soft material.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	(b) Rope Lanyards. Each ring rope on each side of the ring <u>shall</u> be connected with two (2) rope lanyards.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	(c) Rope Lighting. The ring <u>shall</u> be amply illuminated by the overhead lights, which <u>shall</u> be so arranged that shadow <u>shall</u> be eliminated and discomfort from heat and glare minimized for persons <i>in</i> and near the rings.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	4.a. The bell <u>shall</u> be approved by the Commission and it <u>shall</u> be of sufficient size to enable its sound to be heard by both contestants and the referee.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	5.a. The promoter <u>shall</u> provide a sufficient number of water buckets for the use of all contestants. Each bucket <u>shall</u> be disinfected	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		before being used. Additionally, the promoter <u>shall</u> provide, resia, stools, and such other articles as are required for the conduct of each bout.		
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	6.a.Scales <u>shall</u> be furnished by the promoter. The Commission may <u>require</u> that the scales be certified. Residential bathr0om scales of the type generally used in private residences will not meet certification requirements of the Commission and will not be allowed for use at any weigh-in.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	b.1. The scale used for the official weigh-in <u>shall</u> be provided by the producer.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	b.2.The scale used for the weigh-in may upon the request of the Commission be an NTEP Certified Scale, which <u>shall</u> be registered with the Alabama Department of Agriculture, Weight and Measure Division.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	b.5.No one shall be allowed on the scale once it is certified, until the Chief Inspector is present.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	b.6.If a scale is moved after certifications, it <u>shall</u> be recertified	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		before any further weigh-ins can be performed on that scale.		
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	b.7.once certified, the promoter <u>shall</u> have a security member watch the scale until the time of weigh-in, to avoid tampering.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	b.8. A "Ceremonial" scale may be used during a Ceremonial Weigh-In. The Ceremonial Scale <u>shall</u> not be used to record official weights and are strictly to be used for ceremonial purpose.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	7.c.Gauze <u>shall</u> be of soft surgical-type gauze not more than two inches (2") in width, held in place by surgeon's tape for each hand. All contestants will have their hands wrapped in the dressing room [or some other suitable place in the general vicinity of the dressing room] under the examination of a representative from the Commission. Whenever requested by any party, hand wrapping <u>shall</u> take place only in the presence of one or more representatives from the opposing contestant's camp.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	7.1.In all weight classes, the bandages on each	1975 § 41-9-1024	0

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		hand <u>shall</u> be restricted to soft gauze cloth not more than 13 yards (13 yds.) in length and two inches (2") in width, held in place by not more than 10 feet (10') of surgeon's tape, one inch (1") in width, for each hand. Any Commission inspector or representative <u>must</u> sign each hand prior to placing a glove on the hand.		Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	8.Weight Allowed In Bout. Unless otherwise approved by the Commission, contestants in all weight categories up to and including welterweights (up to 147 pounds) <u>shall</u> use 8 ounce (8 oz.) gloves. In heavier classes, 10 ounce (10oz.) gloves <u>must</u> be worn.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	8.d. Glove Approval. Gloves <u>shall</u> be examined by the referee and/or the Commission representative prior to the start of the matches. In certain instances, the Commission may <u>require</u> more than one pair of gloves be sent for the bouts, matches, and exhibitions.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	(f) New Gloves: Main Event Bouts. The promoter <u>shall</u> furnish new gloves for all events of 8 or more rounds.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.06	Ring and Equipment	h.Taping of Gloves. Unless otherwise permitted by the Commission appointed supervisor, glove laces shall not be covered by tape except under the direct supervision of a Commission approved inspector or official.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.07	Officials and Staff	1.a.The Commission shall appoint to each contest, match, or exhibition a chief inspector, a referee, a minimum of three judges, two corner inspectors, and two timekeepers.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.07	Officials and Staff	1.b.The referee or three judges shall determine the outcome of all contests, matches, or exhibitions. A majority vote of the judges will determine the outcome of a contest that does not result in a knockout, TKO, or disqualification	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.07	Officials and Staff	1.c.No manager, promoter, matchmaker, trainer, second, or contestant shall be allowed to officiate at any contest.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.07	Officials and Staff	2.a.All fees and travel expenses shall be paid by the promoter conducting the match, contest, or exhibition and shall be on the following schedule:	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	1.Payment <u>shall</u> be made to the Commission appointed supervisor no later than at the weigh-in, and <u>shall</u> be by personal check, cashier's check or money order	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	2.When assigned by the Commission or the Commission Executive Director, the fee for a chief official who will perform the duties of the Commission representative <u>shall</u> be \$425.00.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	3.When the gross aggregate purse of the match, contest, or exhibition does not exceed \$50,000, the fee for each referee <u>shall</u> be \$300.00 and the fee for each judge <u>shall</u> be \$175.00.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	4.When the gross aggregate purse of the match, contest, or exhibition is between \$50,000 and \$100,000, the fee for each chief official <u>shall</u> be \$500.00.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	5. When the gross aggregate purse of the match, contest, or exhibition is between \$50,000 and \$100,000, the fee for each judge <u>shall</u> be \$200.00 and the fee for each referee <u>shall</u> be \$350.00.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	6. When the gross aggregate purse of the match, contest, or exhibition is between \$100,000 and \$300,000, the fee for each chief official <u>shall</u> be \$500.00	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	7. When the gross aggregate purse of the match, contest, or exhibition is between \$100,000 and \$300,000, the fee for each judge <u>shall</u> be \$250.00 and the fee for each referee <u>shall</u> be \$450.00.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	8. When the gross aggregate purse of the match, contest, or exhibition exceeds \$300,000, the fee for the chief official, referees and judges <u>shall</u> not exceed \$5,000 for each official.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	9. Payments for the timekeeper and countdown person <u>shall</u> be the same as payment for each assigned judge.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	10.Travel expenses for officials <u>required</u> to travel a distance of fifty (50) miles or greater to the site of a match, contest, or exhibition <u>shall</u> be set by the Commission appointed supervisor, provided that such amount <u>shall</u> not exceed the usual and customary amount allowed by state guidelines for state employees. Hotel rooms may be <u>required</u> , but only when the distance traveled exceeds 100 miles.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	10.b.In the event one or more of the referees assigned to a boxing match, contest, or exhibition become incapacitated, or in an emergency situation where he or she become unavailable, the remaining referee(s) <u>shall</u> referee the remaining contests of the program and, at the discretion of the Commission assigned supervisor, may be compensated in a greater amount not to exceed the total amount originally intended for the unavailable referee(s). In such a situation, the compensation to be paid to the incapacitated or unavailable referee <u>shall</u> be reduced	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	10.c.The compensation schedule set forth in (a) a.hove <u>shall</u> not apply in a sanctioned championship bout. The Commission <u>shall</u> set	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute



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		compensation to be paid to the boxing referees and judges officiating at sanctioned championship bouts. In making this determination, the Commission may consider any standards or recommendations made by a recognized boxing association or organization. Nevertheless, the Commission <u>shall</u> retain full authority to set the compensation schedule for boxing referees and judges in championship bouts regardless of a recommendation by such an association.		
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	3.a.Chief Inspector's Authority. The Chief Inspector <u>shall</u> have complete authority over each professional contest, match, or exhibition in this state.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	4.a.Corner Inspector's Authority. A Corner Inspector <u>shall</u> be assigned to the red corner and a Corner Inspector <u>shall</u> be assigned to the blue corner to observe the fighters assigned	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	4.b.1Corner inspectors <u>shall</u> observe fighters in dressing room while wrapping hands, securing	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		gloves, and warming up.		
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	4.b.2 Corner Inspectors <u>shall</u> observe fighters, trainers, and seconds, before, during and between rounds.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	4.b.3. Corner Inspectors <u>shall</u> be responsible for identifying and reporting all rules violations to the chief official and referee.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	5.b. Referee's Duties. The referee assigned to a contest, match, or exhibition <u>shall</u> have the following duties:	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	5.b.1 Before the contest, the referee <u>shall</u> ask the name of each contestant's chief second and <u>shall</u> hold that chief second responsible for the conduct of the contestant during the contest.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	5.b.2 Before each bout the referee <u>shall</u> call the contestants and their chief second together for final instructions. Referees <u>must</u> then instruct boxing contestants that wrestling and rough tactics	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		will not be tolerated, and instruct the boxers to protect themselves at all times. The contestants, after receiving final instructions, <u>shall</u> touch gloves and retire to their corners.		
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	5.b.3 Any referee or judge assigned to a match who becomes unable to officiate <u>shall</u> notify the chief inspector twelve (12) hours before the start of the contest.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	C. Referee License. Referees applying for licensure <u>shall</u> meet the following requirements:	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	C.1. An applicant may upon the request of the Commission demonstrate to the Commission that he or she has experience in refereeing, and <u>shall</u> produce a list of all professional matches that he or she has served as referee, the judges who scored the matches, and the results of the matches. The applicant may be required to provide a list of amateur matches that he or she has served as referee, the judges who scored the matches, and the results of the matches.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		6.a.Judge's Authority. Each judge <u>shall</u> determine the outcome of each contest, match, or exhibition in this state that does not end in knockout, TKO, or disqualification.		
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	6.b.Judge's Duties. The judges assigned to a contest, match, or exhibition <u>shall</u> have the following duties:	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	6.b.1The judges <u>shall</u> score the contest, match, or exhibition according to the rules and regulations of the Commission.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	6.b.2The judges <u>shall</u> score the contest, match, or exhibition fairly.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	6.b.3The judges <u>shall</u> deduct points as directed by the referee.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	C. Judge License. Judges applying for licensure <u>shall</u> meet the following requiremts	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	6.c.1 An applicant <u>shall</u> demonstrate to the Commission that he or she has experience in judging, and <u>shall</u> produce a list of all professional matches that he or she has served as official judge, the referees who refereed the matches, and the results of the matches. The applicant may be required to provide a list of amateur matches that he or she has served as official judge, the referees who refereed the matches, and the results of the matches.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	7.b.Clock Timekeeper's duties. The timekeeper starts the clock and rings the bell at the beginning of each round. Ten {10} seconds before the end of the round, the Clock Timekeeper <u>shall</u> alert the referee to the impending end of the round.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	7.d.Timekeepers License. Timekeepers applying for licensure <u>shall</u> meet the following requirements:	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-x-1-.07	Officials and Staff	7.d.1.An applicant may upon the request of the Commission demonstrate to the Commission that he or she has experience in timekeeping, and <u>shall</u> produce a list of all professional matches that he or she has served as official timekeeper, the referees who refereed the matches, and the results of the matches.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	1.a.False Name. No boxer <u>shall</u> enter any agreement or contract with a promoter, compete in any match, contest, or exhibition, or otherwise participate in any capacity in a boxing	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	1.b. Prohibition if Under Suspension. No boxer <u>shall</u> enter any agreement or contract with a promoter, compete, or attempt to compete in any match, contest, or exhibition in this state when the boxer knows that his or her boxing license, issued by this Commission is under suspension.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	1.c. Pregnancy. No boxer <u>shall</u> enter any agreement or contract with 'a promoter, compete, or attempt to compete in any match, contest, or exhibition in Alabama when such boxer knows that she is pregnant. 1. In all contests and exhibitions,	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		e.1.contestants <u>shall</u> weigh-in in the presence of the chief official appointed to preside over the contest or exhibition. The weigh-in <u>shall</u> not take place less than six (6) hours nor more than thirty-six (36) hours prior to the contest or exhibition.		
165-x-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	4.f.Weight Classes. Weight classes for professional boxers <u>shall</u> be:	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	4.i.Any agreement to proceed with a boxing contest or exhibition where the weight spread exceeds the limit established in this rule <u>shall</u> be entered on each participant's bout contract and <u>shall</u> be initialed or signed by such participant	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	Ring Attire. Boxers <u>shall</u> appear and compete in proper ring attire. •	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-x-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	(i) Male boxers <u>shall</u> wear a standard kidney protection belt designed for male boxers, which includes a groin protection cup of such construction as to prevent any claim of injury caused by an unintentional blow.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	(I) This gear <u>shall</u> be properly adjusted and tied prior to entering the ring.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	1.ii.Female boxers may wear a standard kidney protection belt designed for female boxers and which provides the necessary pelvic and ovary protection and <u>shall</u> wear a sports bra with an interior pocket which can, at the option of the boxer, hold an appropriately sized breast protector of a turtle-shell style.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	1.i.This gear <u>shall</u> be properly adjusted and tied prior to entering the ring.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	II.2.The belt-line of the trunks <u>shall</u> not extend above the waistline and the hem may not extend below the knee	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	ii.3.Each boxer <u>shall</u> use a mouthpiece and no round may start without a boxer's mouthpiece in place	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute



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165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	5. Shoes <u>shall</u> be of soft material and <u>shall</u> not be fitted with spikes, cleats, hard soles, or hard heels. Shoe lace knots will be secured with adhesive tape.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	When deemed necessary by the referee all boxers <u>shall</u> have their hair secured in a manner that does not interfere with the vision and safety of either contestant.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	(1) Demeanor During the Round. Each boxer <u>shall</u> take care to avoid fouling their opponent or illegally striking their opponent.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	2.a.Number Allowed. Each boxer <u>must</u> have two (2) seconds, unless the Commission permits otherwise. Each contestant <u>shall</u> have one (1) chief second. The seconds <u>must</u> be neatly attired. Persons holding a manager's or trainer's	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	2.b.Leaving the Ring. Seconds <u>shall</u> leave the ring enclosure at the sound of the timekeeper's whistle. They <u>shall</u> leave the ring platform promptly when the bell sounds for the beginning	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		of each round and immediately remove all obstructions, including stools, buckets, and any other corner equipment. None of these articles <u>shall</u> be replaced on the ring floor until the bell has sounded the end of a round.		
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	3.a.Licensees Allowed n Ring between Rounds. One (1) licensee <u>shall</u> be allowed in the ring with the boxer during the rest period between rounds and no more than two (2) licensees, exclusive to the corner inspector and approved media personnel, will be allowed on the apron during that time.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	9.2.dExcessive Lubricant. The use of excessive lubricant on the body, arms or face of a boxer <u>shall</u> be <u>prohibited</u> . The referee <u>shall</u> determine whether excessive lubricant is on boxer's body, arms or face.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	9.e.Rehydration of Contestant during Bout. Water <u>shall</u> be used to hydrate a boxer between rounds. Honey, electrolyte glucose, sugar or any other substance mixed with	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		water is <u>prohibited</u> .		
<b>165-X-1-.08</b>	Conduct of Contest	4.a.Stopping a Match. No one other than the referee may stop a fight during or between rounds. The referee <u>shall</u> have the authority to stop a contest at any time if one of the boxers is unable or no longer able to defend himself.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.08</b>	Conduct of Contest	4.b.Pre-match Instructions. Referees shall meet with the contestants and with each chief second appointed by the contestants prior to the beginning of the match, contest, or exhibition and during that meeting <u>shall</u> inform each party of the rules applicable to each fight as well as the in-ring conduct expected from each contestant and second assisting in the corner of each contestant.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.08</b>	Conduct of Contest	4.e.Count. The referee's count is the official count. When a contestant is knocked down, the referee <u>shall</u> order the opponent to retire to the farthest corner of the ring, pointing to that corner. Once the opponent has so retired to the farthest neutral corner the referee will	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		immediately pick up the timekeeper's count. The referee <u>shall</u> then audibly announce the passing of each second, accompanying the count upward with motions of his or her arm, indicating the count with visual finger counts at the end of each second. The referee may cease counting if the opponent fails to remain in the neutral corner until the count is complete. No contestant who is knocked down <u>shall</u> be allowed to resume boxing until the referee has finished counting eight. The contestant may take the count either on the floor or standing.		
<b>165-X-1-.08</b>	Conduct of Contest	4.f.Count for Dazed Contestant. Should a contestant who is down rise before the count of ten (10) and again go down without being struck then the referee <u>shall</u> resume the count where he or she stopped	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.08</b>	Conduct of Contest	4.g.1.When any round ends before a contestant who was knocked down rises, the bell <u>shall</u> not ring and count <u>shall</u> continue. If the contestant rises before the count of ten, the bell <u>shall</u> ring ending the round.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
<b>165-X-1-.08</b>	Conduct of Contest	4.g.2.The one-minute rest period, delayed by	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		the count in (g) (1) above, <u>shall</u> not begin until the bell has sounded ending the round.		
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	4.h.1.Any boxer knocked out of the ring or onto the floor <u>shall</u> receive a twenty (20) second count.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	4.h.1.During the time that any such boxer is outside the ring, he or she <u>shall</u> not be assisted by any member of their corner, and if such assistance is offered, it <u>shall</u> end the match, contest, or exhibition with that boxer losing by a technical knockout.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	4.h.3.As a general precaution, to protect the safety of the boxer and to prevent any potential injury, a boxer knocked out of the ring may have his or her fall stopped or slowed by any person without penalty, provided that such assistance <u>shall</u> only be to prevent injury from the fall and not to assist the boxer in returning to the ring.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	4.i.Standing Eight Count. There <u>shall</u> be no standing eight count	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	4.j.Knock-Out. If the contestant fails to rise before the count of ten (10), the referee <u>shall</u> declare said contestant the loser by a knockout.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	4.k.Failure to Answer Bell. A contestant <u>shall</u> not leave the ring during any one (1) minute rest period between rounds. If any contestant fails or refuses to resume boxing when the bell sounds signaling the commencement of the next round, the referee <u>shall</u> award a decision of technical knockout to his opponent as of the round which has last been finished.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	15.c.3If an intentional foul causes an injury and the injury is severe enough to terminate the bout immediately, the boxing causing the injury <u>shall</u> lose by disqualification.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	15.2.i.Partial or incomplete rounds will be scored. If no action has occurred, the round <u>shall</u> be scored as an even round.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		15.e.Cuts and Lacerations. A cut or laceration caused by either an intentional or an unintentional foul may only be treated during the one (1) minute break between rounds, provided however that the referee may a call a brief time-out and request a physician's evaluation of the cut to determine if the bout <u>shall</u> be allowed to continue. During such time-out, the cut may not be treated by the physician or any other person		
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	6.a. When Contestant Considered Knocked Down. A contestant <u>shall</u> be deemed down when, after a scoring blow was struck	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	6.c.1A judge <u>shall</u> be careful to correctly deduct any point or points from the scorecard as commanded by the referee.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	6.c.2When one or more points is to be deducted from a boxer's score, the judge <u>shall</u> first record his or her actual score for the round (gross points before any points are deducted) and shall <u>then</u> deduct the appropriate number of points from that score to arrive at a net score for the round. The net-score for the round, after points are deducted, may result in neither boxer receiving a 10-point score.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	6.d.1.The 10 Point <u>Must</u> system <u>shall</u> be used as the standard scoring of a bout.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	7.a.3.The uninjured fighter, during any such rest period, may not be assisted and <u>shall</u> remain in the neutral corner furthest from the boxer.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	7.b.If a contestant falls to the ring floor or otherwise indicates an unwillingness to continue because of a claim of a low-blow, he <u>shall</u> be declared the loser by a technical knockout.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	8.b.1.The bell <u>shall</u> be sounded at the beginning and at the end of each round. Except as provided in (d) below the timekeeper <u>shall not</u> sound the bell during the process of the_. round.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	8.b.2.Timekeepers <u>shall</u> alert the referee by striking the table ten (10) seconds prior to the end of each round	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute



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165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	8.b.3. Timekeepers shall indicate ten (10) seconds prior to the end of each one (1) minute rest period.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	8.d. Countdown Responsibilities. When a boxer is down, the timekeeper shall rise and start his or her count, counting by one (1) for each second until ten {10} is reached. After the referee has taken control of the count, the timekeeper shall be seated and cease counting.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	8.e. Responsibility to Announce in an Emergency Suspension of Round. If the referee is absent from the ring or temporarily incapacitated the timekeeper shall immediately sound the gong for temporary discontinuance of the contest.	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	9.c. Finality of the Decision. A decision rendered at the end of any boxing contest is final and shall not be changed	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	1. Video Instant-Replay. When available, video instant-replay may be used to ensure the accuracy of a fight ending	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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		<p>9.5.sequence and at no other point in the bout. Once video instant-replay is employed, the bout, match, or exhibition is over. When used, the Chief Inspector <u>shall</u> review whether the cause of the bouts end was by means of legal or illegal striking. Bouts ending due to illegal (intentional or unintentional foul) <u>shall</u> be settled in the manner listed in the chapter above. The secondary referee, outside the ring, may consult with the Chief Inspector on the correct outcome of the bout, but the decision rests solely with the Chief Inspector.</p>		
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	<p>9.d.1.A petition to change a decision or the ruling of the chief official <u>shall</u> be in writing and filed by a boxer or the boxer's manager within five (5) business days from the date the decision was rendered.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute
165-X-1-.08	Conduct of Contest	<p>9.d.3. If the Commission determines that any of the above occurred with regards to any contest then the decision rendered shall be changed as the Commission may direct, and <u>shall</u> notify the national registry of the change.</p>	1975 § 41-9-1024	0 Required By Statute

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