

**CHAPTER 46**

**RULES GOVERNING BOXING, WRESTLING  
AND SPARRING EXHIBITIONS AND  
PERFORMANCES**

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## SUBCHAPTER 1. DEFINITIONS

**13:46-1.1 Definitions**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

“Board” means the State Athletic Control Board.

“Championship boxing match” means any boxing match in which the championship of a recognized boxing association is at stake.

“Club” means any person, club, corporation, organization or association licensed under the act to conduct, hold or give professional boxing matches or exhibitions.

“Club contract” is an agreement between a boxer with a promoter that provides that the boxer shall participate in a bout with another named boxer.

“Commissioner” means the person appointed by the Attorney General with the concurrence of the Board to serve as the Chief Executive Officer of the Board.

“Licensee” means any person, club, corporation, organization or association licensed by the Board.

“Manager” means any person who:

1. By contract, agreement, or other arrangement with any person undertakes or has undertaken to represent in any way the interest in any professional boxing contest in which such boxer is to participate as a contestant; and is entitled under that contract, agreement or other arrangement to receive monetary or other compensation for his services without regard to the sources of such compensation; except that the term “manager” shall not be construed to mean any attorney licensed to practice in this State, whose participation in such activities is restricted solely to his representing the interests of a professional boxer as his client.

2. Directs or controls the professional boxing activities of any professional boxer.

3. Receives or is entitled to receive ten percent or more of the gross purse, or gross income of any professional boxing contest.

“Program” means the total of all boxing and wrestling matches presented on a particular occasion.

“Promoter” means any person, club, corporation, organization or association licensed under the act to conduct, hold or give programs or exhibitions.

“Purse” means the compensation, percentage or other remuneration for which the contestants are competing.

“Recognized boxing association” means an organization recognized by the Commissioner with the concurrence of the Board whose voting membership is composed of representatives of governmental agencies regulating boxing, including, but not limited to, the World Boxing Association, the World Boxing Council, the International Boxing Federation, the North American Boxing Federation, and the United States Boxing Association. The Commissioner may, with the concurrence of the Board, designate any regional, national, or international boxing organization pursuant to this definition.

“Special event” means a boxing card, boxing show, or any other combative sports event which has among its contests a championship elimination match, a pay-per-view or subscription television match, a nationally televised match, or any other match of significance to combative sports in this State as designated by the Commissioner with the concurrence of the Board.

As amended, R.1970 d.35, effective April 8, 1970.  
See: 2 N.J.R. 27(a), 2 N.J.R. 44(a).  
As amended, R.1982 d.389, effective November 1, 1982.  
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

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Deleted definitions of "club"; added definition of "program" and "promoter".

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See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

Added definitions "club contract" and "program."

Amended by R.1995 d.398, effective July 17, 1995.  
See: 27 N.J.R. 1138(a), 27 N.J.R. 1959(a), 27 N.J.R. 2697(a).

1. Flyweight .....up to 112 pounds
2. Bantamweight .....up to 118 pounds
3. Featherweight .....up to 126 pounds
4. Junior Lightweight .....up to 130 pounds
5. Lightweight .....up to 135 pounds
6. Junior Welterweight .....up to 140 pounds
7. Welterweight .....up to 147 pounds
8. Junior Middleweight .....up to 154 pounds
9. Middleweight .....up to 160 pounds
10. Lighthheavyweight .....up to 175 pounds
11. Cruiserweight .....up to 195 pounds
12. Heavyweight .....all over 195 pounds

**SUBCHAPTER 1A. BOXING WEIGHTS AND CLASSES**

**13:46-1A.1 Classes of boxers**

(a) Boxers shall be divided into the following classes:

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.

See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Recodified from N.J.A.C. 13:46-1.2.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

Deleted original (a)8 and inserted new (a)8 and 9.

Amended by R.1987 d.53, effective January 20, 1987.

See: 18 N.J.R. 1789(a), 19 N.J.R. 233(a).

2. A round is to be scored by a judge as a 10-9 round when a boxer wins the round by a close margin landing a greater number of effective legal blows or when the boxer winning the round gets knocked down, regains his feet, and continues to clearly dominate the round.

3. A round is to be scored by a judge as a 10-8 round when the boxer winning the round by scoring the greater number of effective legal blows also knocks his or her opponent down once or when one boxer so clearly dominates the entire round.

4. A round is to be scored by a judge as a 10-7 round when the boxer winning the round knocks his or her opponent down twice or when the winning fighter knocks his or her opponent down once but also overwhelmingly dominates the entire round.

(h) This section shall be effective from September 20, 1999 through December 31, 2000.

New Rule, R.1999 d.331, effective September 20, 1999.

See: 31 N.J.R. 1896(a), 31 N.J.R. 2761(a).

Amended by R.2000 d.117, effective March 20, 2000.

See: 32 N.J.R. 253(a), 32 N.J.R. 1037(b).

In (g)2. and 3., inserted "effective" following "number of"; and in (h), substituted "December 31," for "March 20,".

#### **13:46-8.21 Boxer fallen or knocked through ropes; return unassisted**

(a) If a contestant has been knocked out or has fallen out of the ring during the contest, the referee shall at once order the other boxer to a neutral corner.

(b) The contestant who has fallen or has been knocked out of the ring must, within 20 seconds, return to the ring unassisted by his seconds. The referee, at his discretion, or guided by the expert judgment of the ringside physician, shall have the contest continue, unless he stops the contest and awards the other boxer the decision by technical knock-out.

As amended, R.1971 d.215, eff. December 1, 1971.

See: 4 N.J.R. 11(b).

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

Section substantially amended.

#### **13:46-8.22 Referee to forbid fouls**

It shall be the referee's duty absolutely to forbid fouls.

#### **Cross References**

See Section 5.21 (Fouls) of this Chapter.

#### **13:46-8.23 Low blow foul rule**

(a) 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 his opponent during a contest with a loss of points and round.

(b) 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 his chances have not been seriously jeopardized as a result of the foul, the referee may order the bout to continue after an interval of not more than five minutes.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

Old text deleted and new substituted.

#### **13:46-8.24 Referee's report of disregard of rules**

(a) A referee shall submit a report of any and all contests which he referees where there has been a disregard of the rules.

(b) The original report must be mailed to the Trenton office of the Commissioner within seven days.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

Old (b) deleted and (c) recodified to (b).

**13:46-8.25 Compensation for boxing referees and judges**

(a) The compensation to boxing referees and judges shall be paid by the promoter conducting the show and shall be on the following basis:

1. When the gross gate receipts of the show do not exceed \$25,000, the fee for each of the two referees shall be \$250.00 and the fee for each of the three judges shall be \$200.00.

2. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$25,000 and \$50,000, the fee for each of the two referees shall be \$300.00 and the fee for each of the three judges shall be \$250.00.

3. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$50,000 and \$100,000, the fee for each of the two referees shall be \$350.00 and the fee for each of the three judges shall be \$300.00.

4. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$100,000 and \$200,000, the fee for each of the two referees shall be \$400.00 and the fee for each of the three judges shall be \$350.00.

5. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$200,000 and \$300,000, the fee for each of the two referees shall be \$500.00 and the fee for each of the three judges shall be \$400.00.

6. When the gross gate receipts of the show are in excess of \$300,000 the fee for the referees and judges shall be set by the Commissioner.

(b) In the event one of the two referees assigned to a boxing show becomes incapacitated, or in an emergency situation where only one of the two referees is available, the remaining referee shall referee the remaining contests of the program and, at the discretion of the Commissioner, may be compensated in an amount up to twice the amount of the fee established under (a) above. In such a situation, the compensation to be paid to the incapacitated or unavailable referee shall be reduced accordingly.

(c) The compensation schedule set forth in (a) above shall not apply in a sanctioned championship bout. The Commission shall set the compensation to be paid to boxing referees and judges officiating at sanctioned championship bouts. In making this determination, the Commissioner may consider any determinations, standards or recommendations made by a recognized boxing association. Nevertheless, the Commissioner shall retain full authority to set the compensation schedule for boxing referees and judges in championship bouts irrespective of a determination or a recommendation by such an association.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.  
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

Substantially amended.

Amended by R.1987 d.50, effective January 20, 1987.

See: 18 N.J.R. 1925(a), 19 N.J.R. 234(a).

Substantially amended.

Amended by R.1995 d.398, effective July 17, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1138(a), 27 N.J.R. 1959(a), 27 N.J.R. 2697(a).

**13:46-8.26 Verbal or physical abuse of referee or judge**

Any licensee who verbally or physically abuses a referee or judge shall be suspended indefinitely and his license may be revoked.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

“or judge” added; “may be permanently discarded at the discretion of the Commissioner” deleted and new text added.

**13:46-8.27 Low blow; referee's notice**

Whenever the referee shall observe a blow delivered below the belt, he shall, as a means of notice to the fans and the offender, step between the boxers and with his free hand make a sweeping motion upwards from the floor as a warning to the offender to raise his punches and to refrain from delivering any other blows.

**13:46-8.28 Knocked out boxer; treatment by physician**

A boxer who is knocked out must not be touched or moved by anyone except the ringside physician. The physician shall determine the methods of resuscitation.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

“ringside” substituted for “club”.

**13:46-8.29 Persistent fouling**

Persistent fouling by a boxer in spite of the referee's warnings, and in violation of clean sportsmanship, may, in the judgment of the referee, result in disqualification of the offender.

**13:46-8.30 Change of decision by Commissioner**

The Commissioner may in his discretion change a referee's decision if in his judgment a palpable and self-evident error has been committed.

**13:46-8.31 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

Section originally “Accident insurance; premium payment”.

**13:46-8.32 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 2432(a).

Section originally “Judges, majority vote”.

**13:46-8.33 Substitution of judge**

(a) In the event a judge becomes incapacitated and is unable to finish scoring a boxing contest, time out should be called and the alternative referee shall immediately be assigned to score the same.

(b) It shall be mandatory for the alternative referee to continue scoring on the scorecard used by the incapacitated judge.

(c) The alternative referee must start the round from the beginning from the time of his substitution for the incapacitated judge.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.  
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).  
"judge" substituted for "referee".

### 13:46-8.34 (Reserved)

R.1972 d.62, effective March 22, 1972.  
See: 4 N.J.R. 76(d).  
Repealed by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.  
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).  
Section was previously "Extension of championship bout".

### 13:46-8.35 Incapacitation of referee

In the event a referee becomes incapacitated time out shall be called and the other referee assigned to the show will assume the duties of the incapacitated referee.

New Rule, R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.  
See: 16 N.J.R. 3962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

## SUBCHAPTER 8A. RULES FOR CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

### Authority

N.J.S.A. 5:2A-7(c) and 7(g).

### Source and Effective Date

R.1999 d.102, effective April 5, 1999.  
See: 30 N.J.R. 997(a), 31 N.J.R. 882(b).

### 13:46-8A.1 Applicability

This subchapter shall apply to all "championship boxing matches" as that term is defined in these rules. All other rules of this chapter shall continue to apply to championship boxing matches except that, in the event of a conflict, the rules of this subchapter shall control.

### 13:46-8A.2 Duration

(a) Except as provided in (b) below, each championship boxing match shall be scheduled for 12 rounds of three minutes each, with a one minute rest period between rounds.

(b) Championship boxing matches between female contestants shall be scheduled for 12 rounds of two minutes each, with a one minute rest period between rounds.

### 13:46-8A.3 Referee sole arbiter

The referee is the sole arbiter of a match and is the only individual authorized to stop a contest. If the referee determines that a boxer is too injured for the bout to continue, the injured boxer loses by technical knockout.

### 13:46-8A.4 Scoring

(a) Championship matches shall be scored on a "10 point must system" whereby the winner of a round is awarded 10 points and the loser of a round is awarded nine points or less.

(b) Scoring shall be done by three judges.

### 13:46-8A.5 Effect of intentional fouls

(a) If a boxer is injured as the result of an intentional foul and the referee determines that the match should be immediately stopped, the boxer causing the injury shall be disqualified and the injured boxer is declared the winner.

(b) If an injury caused by an intentional foul is not so severe as to cause the referee to immediately terminate the contest, the referee shall order a minimum of one point deducted from the score of the boxer committing the intentional foul. A point deduction of at least one point is mandatory for an intentional foul.

(c) If, after an intentional foul, a contest is allowed to initially continue but is thereafter stopped due to an injury caused by such intentional foul, the match shall be declared:

1. A technical decision in favor of an injured boxer if such boxer is ahead on the scorecards at that time of the stoppage; or

2. A technical draw if the injured boxer is behind or tied on the scorecards at the time of the stoppage.

(d) A boxer who injures himself or herself while committing an intentional foul shall be treated as if his or her injury were the result of a clean blow.

### 13:46-8A.6 Effect of injury due to accidental or unintentional foul

(a) Any match terminated as the result of an unintentional or accidental foul prior to the completion of four rounds shall be deemed a technical draw.

(b) Any match terminated as the result of an unintentional or accidental foul after four rounds have been completed shall be declared to be a technical decision in favor of the boxer who was ahead on the scorecards at the time of the stoppage.

(c) If a match is stopped prior to the completion of any round as the result of an accidental or unintentional foul, the incomplete round shall not be scored.

(d) Any points which are ordered deducted by a referee in a round which is ultimately not scored pursuant to (c) above shall be deducted from a boxer's total score.

#### **13:46-8A.7 Mouthpieces; involuntary dislodging**

(a) All boxers shall wear a mouthpiece during a match.

(b) Mouthpieces shall be subject to inspection and approval by the physician.

(c) If a mouthpiece is involuntarily dislodged during a match, the referee shall call timeout at the first opportunity and shall restore the mouthpiece. The referee shall not interfere with the immediate action of a bout in restoring a mouthpiece.

#### **13:46-8A.8 Mandatory eight count**

The referee shall count for a minimum of eight on all knockdowns, even if a boxer is standing prior to the referee reaching the count of eight.

#### **13:46-8A.9 No standing eight count**

The referee shall not administer an eight count to a boxer who has remained standing; a referee shall commence a count only upon a knockdown.

#### **13:46-8A.10 No three knockdown rule**

There shall not be a three knockdown rule in effect. No championship match shall be terminated automatically upon one boxer being knocked down three times in the same round. The referee shall be the sole arbiter as to whether and when a match should be terminated.

#### **13:46-8A.11 No saving by the bell**

A boxer cannot be saved by the bell in any round. The referee shall continue to count against a boxer who has suffered a knockdown and shall award a knockout victory to the opponent of any boxer who does not regain his or her feet prior to the count of 10, regardless of when the knockdown occurs.

#### **13:46-8A.12 Boxer knocked through the ropes**

(a) A boxer who is knocked through the ropes must regain his or her feet and reenter the ring unassisted within:

1. Ten seconds, if the boxer has landed on the ring apron outside the ropes; or
2. Twenty seconds, if the boxer has landed on the floor, tables or seats surrounding the ring.

(b) If a boxer is assisted to his or her feet or is assisted in reentering the ring by his or her seconds or corner persons, the referee shall have the discretion to disqualify the boxer.

## **SUBCHAPTER 9. INSPECTORS**

### **13:46-9.1 Qualification and duties**

(a) In order to be appointed and licensed as an inspector, an individual must indicate to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that he is capable of determining the appropriate amount of taxes and insurance premiums to be paid by a promoter for an event. Inspectors must be able to compose a payroll of ring officials and must be conversant with the rules and regulations of the Board.

(b) Inspectors shall be in charge of shows for the purpose of:

1. Determining that contestants and all other participants are licensed according to the requirements of the rules of this chapter;
2. Collecting taxes;
3. Composing a list of the identities of fight officials to be used as a payroll by the Office of the Commissioner;
4. Supervising gate entrances;
5. Submitting an insurance premium report to the Commissioner and collecting a check from the promoter for payment of the insurance premiums. The report and premium shall be forwarded by the Commissioner to the insurance carrier.

(c) Inspectors are at-will employees of the Board and, notwithstanding the procedure enumerated in N.J.A.C. 13:46-4.14, may have their licenses revoked or their renewal application denied without the benefit of a hearing before the Board.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

Section originally "Qualification and duties".

Amended by R.1995 d.400, effective July 17, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1141(a), 27 N.J.R. 1959(a), 27 N.J.R. 2698(a).

### **13:46-9.2 Attendance at weigh-in**

Inspectors assigned to boxing shows must attend the weigh-in as well as the performances.

### **13:46-9.3 Report; payment of taxes and fees**

(a) The inspector-in-charge at every show, boxing or wrestling, must submit or mail to the Commissioner within 24 hours a completed inspector's report on a form provided by the State Athletic Commission.

(b) Payment of all taxes and other fees must be made to the State Athletic Commission forthwith under penalty of suspension.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

Text deleted "and which, on . . . examination report".

**13:46-9.4 Receipt book**

(a) Each inspector shall carry with him at all times his receipt book for license fees or other collections.

(b) Receipts are made out in triplicate; one copy for the person paying the fee, one copy for the inspector to forward to the Commission office together with his report and the third copy to remain in the book.

(c) When each receipt book is completed the inspector must return it to the office immediately and any failure will result in suspension by the Commissioner and the inspector may be subject to discharge.

**13:46-9.5 Forwarding of scorecards**

Inspectors at boxing shows must obtain the judges' scorecards and forward same to the Commissioner in addition to other required reports.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).  
"referee's" replaced "judges".

**13:46-9.6 Payment of referees, judges, timekeepers, announcers, and physicians**

Promoters shall be liable for the compensation of all referees, judges, timekeepers, announcers, and physicians. Promoters shall not make any payments of compensation and/or expenses directly to referees, judges, timekeepers, announcers or physicians. The promoter shall write a check to the State of New Jersey in an amount authorized and determined by the chief inspector. The number of referees, judges, timekeepers, announcers, and physicians appointed to any combative sport show shall be determined by the Commissioner. The check shall be given to the chief inspector at the fight and should be given to the Commissioner by the chief inspector. The funds will be disbursed by the Board to the referees, judges, timekeepers, announcers or physicians.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

(a) substantially amended; (b) deleted.

### 13:46-11.9 Wrestling

(a) A timekeeper at wrestling exhibitions shall take his cue to commence time from the nod of the referee and shall sound the gong simultaneously with the referee's call of "time".

(b) At the termination of each five-minute period of any wrestling exhibition, the timekeeper shall call out the time that the participants have been wrestling, sufficiently loud for the referee to hear, such as "five minutes" or "ten minutes".

(c) In time limit exhibitions the timekeeper shall sound the gong at the end of the designated time limit to indicate the end of the exhibition.

(d) When an exhibition is terminated in less than the scheduled time limit, the timekeeper shall give the referee the elapsed time.

### 13:46-11.10 Compensation for combative sports timekeepers

(a) The compensation to boxing timekeepers shall be paid by the promoter conducting the show and shall be on the following basis:

1. When the gross gate receipts of the show do not exceed \$25,000, the fee for the timekeeper shall be \$200.00.
2. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$25,000 and \$50,000, the fee for the timekeeper shall be \$250.00.
3. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$50,000 and \$100,000, the fee for the timekeeper shall be \$300.00.
4. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$100,000 and \$200,000, the fee for the timekeeper shall be \$350.00.
5. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$200,000 and \$300,000, the fee for the timekeeper shall be \$400.00.
6. When the gross gate receipts of the show are in excess of \$300,000, the fee for the timekeeper shall be set by the Commissioner.

(b) The compensation set forth in (a) above shall not apply in a sanctioned championship boxing bout or special event. The Commissioner shall set the compensation to be paid to timekeepers officiating at sanctioned championship boxing bouts and special events. In making this determination, the Commissioner may consider any determinations, standards or recommendations made by a recognized boxing

association. Nevertheless, the Commissioner shall retain full authority to set the compensation schedule for timekeepers in championship boxing bouts and special events irrespective of a determination or a recommendation by such an association.

New Rule, R.1987 d.50, effective January 20, 1987.

See: 18 N.J.R. 1925(a), 19 N.J.R. 234(a).

Amended by R.1995, d.400, effective July 17, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1141(a), 27 N.J.R. 1959(a), 27 N.J.R. 2698(a).

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## SUBCHAPTER 12. (RESERVED)

### Subchapter Historical Note

Subchapter 12, Rules to Safeguard Health, was repealed by R.1999 d.103, effective April 5, 1999. See: 30 N.J.R. 2160(a), 31 N.J.R. 883(a).

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## SUBCHAPTER 12A. UNIFORM MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

### Authority

N.J.S.A. 5:2A-4 and 8b.

### Source and Effective Date

R.1999 d.103, effective April 5, 1999.

See: 30 N.J.R. 2160(a), 31 N.J.R. 883(a).

### 13:46-12A.1 Applicability

This subchapter shall apply to all professional boxing matches. All other rules of this chapter shall continue to apply to professional boxing matches except that, in the event of a conflict, the rules of this subchapter shall control.

### 13:46-12A.2 Pre-licensure medical requirement

(a) A boxer, as a condition to licensure or to the renewal of licensure by the State Athletic Control Board shall undergo a thorough medical examination by a physician or physicians to establish his or her physical and mental fitness for competition.

(b) An examination shall be made no earlier than 30 days but no later than one day prior to licensure or the renewal thereof except for the HIV test, referred to in N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.3, which shall be conducted no earlier than 14 days prior to licensure.

(c) In addition to the examination required by (a) above, the Commissioner at his or her discretion may order such additional examinations of a boxer at any time for the purpose of determining his or her continued fitness and qualification to engage in a boxing contest.

(d) No applicant shall be granted a license unless the physician appointed by the State Athletic Control Board has certified his or her fitness to engage in a boxing contest.

### 13:46-12A.3 Thorough medical examination defined

(a) A thorough medical examination shall consist of a minimum requirement of:

1. A CT/MRI Brain Scan (without contrast), within the last three years;
2. An electrocardiogram;
3. Ophthalmological dilation;
4. An annual gynecological and breast exams for women;
5. A serum pregnancy test for women;
6. A comprehensive history and physical examination;
7. A complete blood count for bleeding and coagulation time;
8. An HIV test conducted no earlier than 14 days prior to licensure; and
9. A urinalysis.

### 13:46-12A.4 Pre-fight weigh-in examination

(a) All boxers in all bouts shall be given a medical examination by a physician appointed by the Commissioner prior to the start of the bout, both at the weighing-in and in the evening, a short while before the boxing program commences. All such examinations shall be conducted privately with no other persons present besides the physician and the boxer. This physical examination shall include as many of the procedures outlined in N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.3 as the examining physician may decide are necessary. In all cases, the examination shall include the administration of a thorough ophthalmological and neurological examination and a urinalysis. In all cases, the boxer shall present to the physician the results of a test for the HIV virus in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.5.

(b) The examination shall include a pregnancy test for all female boxers. Any contestant determined to be pregnant shall not be permitted to box in this State.

(c) No boxer shall be permitted to enter the ring unless the physician appointed by the Commissioner has certified his or her fitness to engage in a boxing contest. The physician's decision that a boxer is not fit to engage in a boxing contest shall not be subject to change by any other official. A boxer may be disqualified for any medical reason.

### 13:46-12A.5 HIV examination

All boxers in all bouts shall complete an HIV examination. The initial test for HIV detection shall be conducted no earlier than 14 days prior to licensure. After licensure, an HIV test shall be completed by every boxer prior to his or her participation in each boxing match. Pre-fight HIV tests shall be administered no earlier than 14 days prior to the boxing match. Any boxer who fails to produce the results of such a test, or who produces a test result showing that the boxer is infected with the HIV virus, shall not be permitted to box in this State.

### 13:46-12A.6 Recommended hepatitis testing and vaccinations

Hepatitis testing, as well as vaccinations, are recommended for all boxers but are not mandatory.

### 13:46-12A.7 Usage of drugs

(a) The use of any drug, narcotic, stimulant, depressant, or analgesic of any description, or alcohol substance, by a boxer either before or during a match, shall result in the immediate disqualification of the boxer from the match and disciplinary action in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.9.

(b) A boxer shall submit to any pre-fight or post-fight urinalysis or other laboratory procedure ordered by the physician appointed by the Commissioner to detect the presence of any drug. Refusal to submit to such testing shall result in the immediate disqualification of the boxer from the match and an indefinite suspension from boxing.

### 13:46-12A.8 Urinalysis

(a) All boxers in all bouts shall complete a pre-fight urinalysis exam to detect the presence of any drug.

(b) In addition to the mandatory pre-fight analysis, the Commissioner may, at his or her discretion, decide to test for the presence of performance enhancing drugs and thereby require additional urine specimens to be produced at any time after the completion of the bout.

(c) Collection of specimens for urinalysis testing shall be conducted by a Commission official. Refusal to submit to such testing shall result in the immediate disqualification of the boxer from the match and an indefinite suspension from boxing.

### 13:46-12A.9 Penalties for drug use

(a) Any boxer who tests positive for drug use shall be penalized as follows:

1. First offense: 90 days' suspension;
2. Second offense: 180 days' suspension, and mandatory enrollment in a supervisory treatment program approved by the State Commission; and

3. Third offense: Two years' suspension without appeal.

#### **13:46-12A.10 Post-fight medical examination**

(a) All boxers in all bouts shall be given a physical examination by a physician appointed by the Commissioner immediately following the bout. This physical examination shall include as many of the procedures outlined in N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.3 as the examining physician may decide are necessary. In all cases, the examination shall include the administration of a thorough ophthalmological and neurological examination.

(b) Any boxer refusing to submit to a post-fight medical examination shall be immediately suspended for an indefinite period.

#### **13:46-12A.11 Post-knockout suspension**

Any boxer who is knocked out in a boxing match shall be suspended from boxing for a minimum 60-day period. The knocked-out boxer shall not be permitted to participate in a bout until a thorough medical examination is completed and submitted, as prescribed by the ringside physician.

#### **13:46-12A.12 Post-technical knockout suspension**

Any boxer who is technically knocked out in a boxing match shall be suspended for a minimum 30-day period. At the time of the knockout, a Commission physician shall make a determination of whether or not any additional testing is required to enter the ring again. The knocked out boxer shall not be permitted to participate in a bout until he or she has completed and submitted any such medical examinations prescribed by a Commission physician.

#### **13:46-12A.13 Post-knockout neurological examination**

Any boxer who is knocked out or technically knocked out in a boxing match must complete and submit the results of a thorough neurological examination.

#### **13:46-12A.14 Use of disposable hygienic gloves**

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

(b) The Commissioner 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.

(c) No boxing referee shall be permitted to enter the ring unless the referee is wearing the hygienic gloves specified in (a) above.

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

(e) No ringside physician shall be permitted to examine or medically treat boxer during a boxing show unless the ringside physician is wearing the hygienic gloves specified in (b) above. 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.

(f) No inspector shall be permitted to perform his or her assigned duties during a boxing show, unless the inspector is wearing the hygienic gloves specified in (b) above, except as the Commissioner in his or her discretion may authorize for inspectors on certain assignments. At each professional boxing show, an adequate supply of disposable hygienic laboratory gloves of a type approved by the Commissioner shall be worn during the entire contest by seconds, referees, ringside physicians, and inspectors working the event.

#### **13:46-12A.15 Medical training required by referees**

All referees shall attend a minimum of two medical training seminars each year. These medical training seminars must be conducted or approved by any state boxing commission or any recognized boxing organization, such as a sanctioning body. Nationally recognized boxing organizations include, but are not limited to, the World Boxing Council, the North American Boxing Federation and the United States Boxing Association.

#### **13:46-12A.16 Presence of an ambulance**

An ambulance shall be present at all professional boxing events, from the commencement of the first bout, throughout the duration of the event, and until the last fighter leaves the arena. No boxing event shall be allowed to continue if an ambulance is utilized to transport a previous boxer to a medical facility, until another ambulance is available and present at the event.

#### **13:46-12A.17 Presence of emergency medical technicians**

There shall be at least two Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) present at all professional boxing events, from the commencement of the first bout, throughout the duration of the event, and until the last fighter leaves the arena. No boxing event shall be allowed to continue if an EMT leaves the arena to transport a previous boxer to a medical facility, until an EMT replacement is available and present at the event.

### **SUBCHAPTER 12B. ADDITIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY RULES**

**Authority**  
N.J.S.A. 5:2A-4 and 8b.

**Source and Effective Date**

R.1999 d.103, effective April 5, 1999.  
See: 30 N.J.R. 2160(a), 31 N.J.R. 883(a).

**13:46-12B.1 Use of Monsel's solution prohibited**

The application of Monsel's solution, or any of its derivatives or any similar drug or compound, on the body of a boxer before a fight is prohibited.

**13:46-12B.2 Duties of ringside physician**

(a) Ringside physicians shall be appointed by the Commissioner. No boxing bout or wrestling exhibition may commence or proceed unless the ringside physician is present and seated at ringside.

(b) The ringside physician shall terminate any boxing bout if in the opinion of such physician any contestant has received severe punishment or is in danger of serious physical injury. In the event of any serious injury, the ringside physician shall immediately render any emergency treatment necessary, order further treatment or hospitalization if required, and fully report the entire matter to the Commissioner within 24 hours and subsequently thereafter, if necessary. The ringside physician may also require that the injured boxer and his or her manager remain in the ring or on the premises or report to a hospital after the contest for such period of time as such physician deems advisable. Any boxer, manager or second refusing to comply with the ringside physician's orders regarding hospitalization may be suspended by the Commissioner in the absence of good cause shown to the contrary.

(c) The ringside physician shall not enter the ring during the progress of a bout unless expressly requested to do so by the referee, after the referee has ordered punching to stop and has separated the contestants. The ringside physician may enter the ring between the rounds of a boxing match. The ringside physician shall have the authority, after examining a boxer, to terminate any boxing bout to prevent severe punishment or serious physical injury to a contestant.

(d) The Commissioner shall assign a minimum of two ringside physicians to each boxing program.

**13:46-12B.3 Mandatory medical examinations of contestant losing six consecutive fights; inactivity for one year**

(a) Any contestant who has lost six consecutive fights shall be automatically suspended from boxing. The boxer shall not be reinstated until he or she has submitted to a medical examination, of the type specified by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.3, conducted by a physician appointed by the Commissioner.

(b) Any boxer who has not been active for one year or more shall be suspended from boxing until such time that he or she has submitted to a medical examination of the type specified by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.3, conducted by a physician appointed by the Commissioner.

**13:46-12B.4 Medical examination of judges and referees**

(a) Annual medical examinations shall be given to all licensed judges and referees by a physician approved by the Commissioner and such examinations shall be of the same type and thoroughness as specified by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.3.

(b) All referees must also submit to a pre-fight medical examination, by a physician appointed by the Commissioner on the day of the bout, of the type specified by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.4.

(c) No referee shall be permitted to enter the ring unless the physician appointed by the Commissioner has certified the referee's fitness to perform his or her duties during the boxing contest.

**13:46-12B.5 Inability to perform contract due to injury or illness**

(a) Whenever a licensed boxer considers himself or herself unable by reason of injury or illness to participate in a bout for which he or she is under contract, the boxer shall immediately notify the Commissioner of this fact and, before entering the ring again, the boxer shall submit to a medical examination performed by a physician appointed by the Commissioner of the type specified by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A.3.

(b) In the event that a boxer is treated for any serious injury or disabling illness, or has been hospitalized, by his or her personal physician for any reason, the boxer or his or her manager shall immediately notify the Commissioner, who shall refer the matter to a physician appointed by the Commissioner for review. The boxer, thereafter, shall submit to such medical examination as may be ordered in the discretion of the physician appointed by the Commissioner before engaging in any boxing contest.

(c) Any boxer or manager failing to immediately report any illness or injury to the Commissioner as required by (a) and (b) above shall be immediately suspended for an indefinite period.

**13:46-12B.6 Medical reports**

(a) The physician appointed by the Commissioner shall make a detailed written record of each and every medical examination performed by him or her under this subchapter and N.J.A.C. 13:46-12A, on forms provided by the Commissioner or on such other forms as may be necessary. The original of all such records shall be filed with the Commissioner within 24 hours of each such examination.

(b) The Commissioner shall provide copies of all medical records pertaining to an individual boxer to the physician appointed by the Commissioner who is assigned to that boxer's next bout, at least one day in advance of said bout. No boxer shall be permitted to engage in a boxing contest unless the physician appointed by the Commissioner who is assigned to that contest has in his or her possession the boxer's complete medical history prior to the pre-fight examination.

(c) Physicians appointed by the Commissioner shall fill out and return to the Commissioner immediately after a boxing show a printed injury insurance form, reporting serious injuries.

#### 13:46-12B.7 Suspension notices

(a) The Commissioner shall maintain a current listing of all boxers who are under suspension in this State and in any other boxing jurisdiction. The Commissioner shall provide a copy of the suspension list to each attending physician at each boxing contest conducted in this State and shall promptly transmit a current copy of the suspension list to every other boxing jurisdiction. Under no circumstances shall a boxer on the suspension list participate in a boxing contest.

(b) The Commissioner, upon placing a boxer on the suspension list, shall immediately mail a written suspension notice to the boxer and his or her licensed manager at their last known addresses, specifying the nature of the suspension, the reason therefor, and the length of the suspension, where known.

(c) Any boxer who participates in a boxing contest during the period of his or her suspension shall have his or her license revoked. Any licensed manager of a boxer on the suspension list who participates in a boxing contest shall have his or her license revoked. Any licensed promoter of a boxing show in which a boxer on the suspension list participates shall have his or her license revoked.

#### 13:46-12B.8 Compensation for physicians

(a) The compensation to physicians shall be paid by the promoter conducting the show and shall be on the following basis:

1. Each physician assigned by the Commissioner to perform duties at the pre-fight weigh-in at a boxing show shall receive a fee of \$100.00.
2. Each physician assigned by the Commissioner to perform ringside duties at boxing or wrestling show shall receive a fee of \$200.00.

(b) The compensation schedule set forth in (a) above shall not apply in a sanctioned championship boxing bout. The Commissioner shall set the compensation to be paid to

physicians assigned to perform pre-fight or ringside duties at sanctioned championship boxing bouts. In making this determination, the Commissioner may consider any determinations, standards or recommendations made by a nationally recognized boxing association whose voting membership is composed of representatives of governmental agencies regulating boxing. A nationally-recognized boxing association shall include, but not be limited to, the World Boxing Council, the North American Boxing Federation and the United States Boxing Association. Nevertheless, the Commissioner shall retain full authority to set the compensation schedule for physicians in championship boxing bouts irrespective of a determination or a recommendation by such an association.

Amended by R.2000 d.31, effective January 18, 2000.  
See: 31 N.J.R. 3047(a), 32 N.J.R. 321(b).

In (a)2, increased the fee from \$150.00 to \$200.00.

### SUBCHAPTER 13. TELEVISION

#### 13:46-13.1 Tax

(a) Every person who shall hold any boxing, wrestling or sparring exhibition or performance shall pay to the Commissioner, in addition to the gross receipts tax imposed by N.J.S.A. 5:2A-20(c)(1), a tax on the gross receipts derived from the lease or sale of television, moving picture or radio rights in connection with any such exhibition or performance. The rate of tax shall be in accordance with N.J.S.A. 5:2A-20(c)(2).

(b) The Commissioner shall forthwith pay the tax into the State Treasury.

Amended by R.1995 d.399, effective July 17, 1995.  
See: 27 N.J.R. 1139(a), 27 N.J.R. 1959(a), 27 N.J.R. 2697(b).

#### 13:46-13.2 Forms

Special forms to accompany the payment of the television tax shall be provided by the Commission to promoters whose shows are televised.

#### 13:46-13.3 Sanction and approval of Commissioner

No promoter shall enter into any television agreement, either with a sponsor or a television station, without first obtaining the Commissioner's sanction and approval.

#### 13:46-13.4 Copy of agreement furnished to Commissioner

(a) The Commissioner must be furnished with true copies, properly notarized, of any and all agreements between promoters and television sponsors or between promoters and television stations.

**13:46-23.2 Interest in promoter prohibited**

No officer, employee or appointee of the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner, including referees, judges, inspectors, timekeepers, physicians, doormen and box office employees, nor any spouse, child, parent or sibling of any such individual, shall have a direct or indirect financial interest in any person, partnership, firm, corporation or association licensed by the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner to hold or conduct boxing bouts, wrestling exhibitions, or sparring exhibitions pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:46-4.1. For purposes of this section, "financial interest" does not mean the ownership of less than 10 percent of the publicly traded stock in a corporation for profit.

**13:46-23.3 Interest in manager's or second's contract prohibited**

No officer, employee or appointee of the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner, including referees, judges, inspectors, timekeepers, physicians, doormen and box office employees, nor any spouse, child, parent or sibling of any such individual, shall have any direct or indirect financial interest in any manager's or second's contract with any athlete licensed by the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner or in any assignment thereof.

**13:46-23.4 Interest in matchmaker's contract prohibited**

No officer, employee or appointee of the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner, including referees, judges, inspectors, timekeepers, physicians, doormen and box office employees, nor any spouse, child, parent or sibling of any such individual, shall have any direct or indirect financial interest in any matchmaker's contract with a promoter licensed by the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner or in any assignment thereof.

**13:46-23.5 (Reserved)**

Repealed by R.1993 d.460, effective September 20, 1993.

See: 24 N.J.R. 4489(a), 25 N.J.R. 4499(b).

Section was "Acceptance of gift, favor, service or other thing of value prohibited".

**13:46-23.6 Promoter's interest in athlete prohibited**

No person, partnership, firm, corporation or association licensed by the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner to hold or conduct boxing bouts, wrestling exhibitions or sparring exhibitions pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:46-4.1, nor any person or entity holding an interest in said licensee of the nature described in N.J.A.C. 13:46-23.2, nor the spouse, child, parent or sibling of any such individual, shall have any direct or indirect financial interest in any boxer or wrestler competing on premises owned or leased by said person or entity unless said interest is disclosed in writing and sent by regular or certified mail or hand delivered to the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner, Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, Trenton, New Jersey, at least 10 days prior to the authorized event.

**13:46-23.7 Promoter prohibited from acting as manager or second of participant**

No person, partnership, firm, corporation or association licensed by the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner to

hold or conduct boxing bouts, wrestling exhibitions or sparring exhibitions pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:46-4.1, nor any person or entity holding an interest in said licensee of the nature described in N.J.A.C. 13:46-23.2, nor the spouse, child, parent or sibling of any such individual, shall serve or act as the manager or second for a licensed athlete or shall have any direct or indirect financial interest in any manager's or second's contract with any athlete licensed by the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner or in any assignment thereof unless such interest is disclosed in a writing sent by regular or certified mail or hand delivered to the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner, Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, Trenton, New Jersey, at least 10 days prior to the time of the authorized event.

**13:46-23.8 Promoter prohibited from holding interest in other promoter**

No person, partnership, firm, corporation or association licensed by the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner to hold or conduct boxing bouts, wrestling exhibitions or sparring exhibitions pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:46-4.1, shall hold an interest of the nature described in N.J.A.C. 13:46-23.2 in any other such licensee except as provided by N.J.A.C. 13:46-4.29.

**13:46-23.9 Financial interest in opponent prohibited**

No licensed manager or second of any licensed athlete and no assignee of a manager-athlete or a second-athlete contract shall have any direct or indirect financial interest in the opponent in any contest in which said athlete participates. No licensed athlete shall have any direct or indirect financial interest in his opponent in any contest.

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**SUBCHAPTER 23A. GIFTS, OUTSIDE  
ACTIVITIES, LODGING, WORK SPACE**
**Authority**

N.J.S.A. 5:2A-6(a), 5:2A-6.1, and 5:2A-7(c).

**Source and Effective Date**

R.1993 d.460, effective September 20, 1993.

See: 24 N.J.R. 4489(a), 25 N.J.R. 4499(b).

**13:46-23A.1 Definitions**

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Agent" means any person appointed by the State Athletic Control Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:2A-5(b).

"Board" means the State Athletic Control Board.

"Employee" means the Commissioner, Deputy Commissioners, Chief Inspector, inspectors, and any other person holding full or part-time office or employment with the Board who is compensated for his or her services by the State of New Jersey.

"Appointee" means a referee, judge, timekeeper, or physician or any other individual who is compensated for services performed on behalf of the Board by means of disbursements by the Board from funds provided to it by a check issued by the promoter to the State of New Jersey and who receives no other compensation from the State of New Jersey.

"Licensee" means a promoter, matchmaker, manager, second, boxer, wrestler, kick boxer or other athletic sports combatant, an announcer, doorman, box office employee, and any club, corporation, organization or association licensed by the Board.

"Non-New Jersey state athletic regulatory agency" means a state agency having the authority to regulate an "out-of-State athletic event" as defined in this section.

"Out-of-State athletic event" means any event which, if held in New Jersey, would be a "regulated event" as defined herein.

"Regulated event" means any public boxing, wrestling, kick boxing and combative sports exhibition or any other event subject to regulation by the Boxing, Wrestling and Combative Sports Act, N.J.S.A. 5:2A-1 et seq.

#### 13:46-23A.2 Department Code of Ethics

All Board members, employees, and appointees are subject to Department of Law and Public Safety Code of Ethics.

#### 13:46-23A.3 Acceptance of gift, favor, service or other thing of value by Board member or employee

(a) No Board member or employee shall solicit, receive or agree to receive, whether directly or indirectly, any gift, favor, service or other thing of value whatsoever, including, but not limited to, tickets, travel expenses, meals, the use of hotel rooms or other gratuities, from:

1. Any licensee of, or applicant for licensure by, the Board;
2. Any licensee of, or applicant for licensure by, the Casino Control Commission, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-1 et seq.; or
3. The owner of any premises at which a regulated event is held.

(b) Any offer of a gift, favor, service or any other thing of value as defined in (a) above must be reported, in writing, within 48 hours of the offer, to the Department of Law and Public Safety Ethics Officer and the Board Ethics Officer. The Department of Law and Public Safety Ethics Officer, after consulting with the Board Ethics Officer, shall determine whether the gift, favor, service or other thing of value may be accepted.

(c) No Board member or employee shall accept, receive or use a casino meal ticket under any circumstances associated with a regulated event.

#### 13:46-23A.4 Acceptance of gift, favor, service or other thing of value by appointee

(a) No appointee shall solicit, receive or agree to receive, whether directly or indirectly, any gift, favor, service or other thing of value whatsoever, including, but not limited to, tickets, travel expenses, meals, the use of hotel rooms, or other gratuities, from any licensee of, or applicant for licensure by, the Board, any licensee of, or applicant for licensure by, the Casino Control Commission, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-1 et seq., or the owner of any premises at which a regulated event is held:

1. In connection with a regulated event to which the appointee has been assigned; or
2. Under circumstances from which it might be reasonably inferred that the gift, favor, service or other thing of value was given or offered or solicited for the purposes of influencing or rewarding the appointee's performance of his or her duties or was given, offered or solicited because of the appointee's status as an official of the Board.

(b) Any offer of a gift, favor, service or other thing of value as defined in (a) above must be reported, in writing, within 48 hours to the Department of Law and Public Safety Ethics Officer and the Board Ethics Officer. The Department of Law and Public Safety Ethics Officer, after consulting with the Board Ethics Officer, shall determine whether the gift, favor, service or other thing of value may be accepted.

#### 13:46-23A.5 Outside activity related to sanctioning bodies, licensees, non-New Jersey state regulatory agencies

(a) No Board member, employee or agent, including the Commissioner, shall hold an office or position in any body, organization, association or federation which is established for the purpose of sanctioning boxing, wrestling, kick boxing, and combative sports exhibitions, events, performances and contests in this State or other states. See N.J.S.A. 5:2A-6.1.

(b) Any employee who is requested to serve in any compensated or uncompensated role on behalf of a sanctioning body that is not otherwise prohibited by (a) above, such as a supervisor in connection with an out-of-State athletic event or as a speaker at an event sponsored by a sanctioning body, or is requested to serve in any compensated or uncompensated role whatsoever on behalf of a licensee of, or applicant for licensure by, the Board or on behalf of a non-New Jersey state athletic regulatory agency, or on behalf of a licensee of, or applicant for licensure by, the Casino Control Commission, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-1 et seq., or on behalf of the owner of any premises at which a regulated event is held, shall obtain the approval of the Board prior to performing any such role. Requests for approval of such activity shall be submitted in writing to the Department of Law and Public Safety Ethics Officer and the Board Ethics Officer. The Department of Law and Public Safety Ethics Officer, after consulting with the Board Ethics Officer, shall determine whether the activity may be permitted and shall advise the Board accordingly.

(c) Any Board member who is requested to serve in any role as described by (b) above shall advise the other members of the Board and obtain any advisory opinion from the Department of Law and Public Safety Ethics Officer as to the propriety of such service.

(d) Nothing in this section is intended to require appointees to obtain the Board's approval to officiate or to provide medical services on behalf of a sanctioning body or non-New Jersey state athletic regulatory agency in connection with an athletic event outside the State of New Jersey.

**13:46-23A.6 Work space, lodging for employees, judges and referees**

(a) Notwithstanding any prohibition imposed by N.J.A.C. 13:46-23A.3 or 23A.4, where the Board determines it is necessary for the efficient performance of duties by the Board or any of its employees assigned to a particular regulated event, the Board may require the promoter:

1. To ensure that an appropriate work space, acceptable to the Commissioner, is provided on the premises where the regulated event is held; and/or

2. To provide sleeping quarters, on the premises, or at a reasonable distance therefrom, for Board members attending in their official capacity and employees who have been assigned to the regulated event and whose names are identified by the Board on a list provided to the promoter prior to the event. The Board shall main-

tain a record of the names of the employees and Board members provided with sleeping quarters, the location of the rooms to which they have been assigned, and the dates the rooms were used.

(b) Notwithstanding any prohibition imposed by N.J.A.C. 13:46-23A.3 or 23A.4, where the Board determines it is necessary for the efficient performance of duties by judges and referees assigned to a particular regulated event, it may permit the promoter:

1. To pay the reasonable travel costs of judges and referees recommended by the sanctioning body and assigned by the Commissioner to officiate the regulated event and who must travel from outside the State of New Jersey to officiate the regulated event; and/or

2. To provide all judges and referees assigned to the regulated event by the Commissioner with meals and sleeping quarters on the premises or at a reasonable distance therefrom.

(c) Prior to the regulated event, the Board shall provide a list to the promoter of the judges and referees for whom expenses, rooms, or meals are permitted under (b) above. The Board shall maintain a record of the names of the judges and referees, the meals provided, and the location of the rooms to which the judges and referees have been assigned, and the dates on which the rooms were used.