

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:

"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.

"Commission" means the State Athletic Commission of New Jersey.

"Licensee" means any person, club, corporation, organization or association licensed by this Commission.

"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.

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).

Changed subchapter heading from Boxing Weights and Classes to Definitions.

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

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

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

Added definitions "club contract" and "program."

SUBCHAPTER 1A. BOXING WEIGHTS AND CLASSES

13:46-1A.1 Classes of boxers

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

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. Lighthavyweight up to 175 pounds
11. Cruiserweight up to 195 pounds
12. Heavyweight all over 195 pounds

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.

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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).

Substituted new text for old text.

13:46-1A.2 Weight differences of contestants

(a) No contest shall be scheduled, and no contestants shall engage in a boxing contest where the weight difference shall exceed the allowance as shown in the following schedule, without the written approval of Commissioner:

1. 112 to 118 pounds, not more than three pounds.
2. 118 to 126 pounds, not more than five pounds.
3. 126 to 135 pounds, not more than seven pounds.
4. 135 to 147 pounds, not more than nine pounds.
5. 147 to 160 pounds, not more than 11 pounds.
6. 160 to 175 pounds, not more than 12 pounds.
7. 175 to 195 pounds, not more than 20 pounds.
8. 195 pounds and over, no limit.

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. 13:46-1.3.

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

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

Deleted old (a)7 and inserted new (a)7 and (a)8.

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

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

(a)7 substituted "195" for "190" and "20" for "15"; (a)8 substituted "195" for "190".

13:46-1A.3 Weighing of boxers

(a) Weighing of all boxers for all shows must take place not later than one o'clock on the day of the show in which said boxers are to take part.

(b) Weights must be determined by a representative of the Commissioner with the matchmaker concerned present.

(c) Opponents should be weighed in the presence of each other.

(d) Members of the press, in addition to the responsible handlers of the boxers, shall be permitted to attend the weighing of principals.

(e) All weights stripped.

(f) No boxer shall be permitted to lose more than one percent of his body weight on the day of the boxing contest in an attempt to make the weight required by his boxing contract and by N.J.A.C. 13:46-1A.3.

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. 13:46-1.4.

Amended by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

(f): added.

13:46-1A.4 Scales

Scales used for weighing-in boxers shall be of standard make, thoroughly tested and approved by the sealer of weights and measures annually in the municipality in which the club is located.

New Rule R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

SUBCHAPTER 2. RING EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

13:46-2.1 Approval of premises for boxing

Licensed promoters may only arrange for and hold boxing bouts in premises approved by the Commissioner.

13:46-2.2 Duty to safeguard premises

All persons, clubs, corporations or associations licensed by the Commissioner are required to make such arrangements to safeguard the premises where boxing bouts are conducted so as to insure to the Commissioner's satisfaction that adequate protection against riot or disorderly conduct has been provided. Any violation of this section subjects the

offending licensee to such penalties as the Commissioner may thereafter decide.

13:46-2.3 Sale of intoxicating liquors at boxing shows

The Commissioner shall determine whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors will be permitted at the scene of a boxing show and shall establish the terms and conditions under which such sales may be made.

13:46-2.4 Inspection of training quarters

The Commissioner's inspectors and physicians shall have authority at all times to enter and inspect all training quarters of boxers under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner to observe the conduct, facilities and cleanliness of such quarters and to appraise the activities and the physical condition of boxers during training.

13:46-2.5 Ring dimensions; floor covering; safety features

(a) The boxing ring shall be not less than 18 feet nor more than 24 feet square between the ring ropes.

(b) The ring platform must extend beyond the ropes for a distance of at least two feet.

(c) Every ring and platform used for boxing in New Jersey shall be equipped with a one-inch layer of Celotex Building Board Number 2 or a similarly approved substance. Said application shall be between the floor of the ring and the canvas-covered padding.

(d) The ring floor, both within and outside the ropes, must be padded to a thickness of at least a one-inch layer of "Ensolite Boxing Ring Pad" or similar material applied over the one inch base of Celotex Building Board or similar material.

(e) Ring padding must be covered by a clean, unbroken covering of canvas, duck or similar material tightly stretched and laced to the ring platform.

(f) Ring posts shall be at least 18 inches away from the ring ropes. Ring posts shall not be more than three inches in diameter and may extend from the floor of the ring to a height no more than 58 inches and shall be thoroughly padded to the satisfaction of the Commissioner.

(g) Ring ropes shall be maintained as follows:

1. There shall be four ring ropes, not less than one inch in diameter and well-padded at all times by a soft material approved by the Commissioner.

2. The lower rope shall be 13 inches above the ring floor, the second rope 26 inches above the ring floor, the third rope 39 inches above the ring floor, and the top rope 52 inches above the ring floor.

3. Ring ropes must be adjustable and shall be kept at the correct tautness.

(h) The height of the ring and/or steps shall be as follows:

1. The ring shall be not more than four feet above the floor of the building and shall be provided with two sets of suitable steps approved by the Commissioner for the use of each of the contestants.

2. The boxer's steps shall be securely placed in diagonally opposite corners of the ring.

3. In addition, in all cases where space permits, a third set of steps leading to the boxing ring shall be securely installed in a neutral corner for use exclusively by the attending physician, referee, ring announcer, round card carriers and Commissioner's representatives.

(i) The size and use of a gong or bell shall be as follows:

1. The gong or bell must not be less than 18 inches in diameter, and adjusted securely on a level with the ring platform.

2. The timekeeper shall use a metal hammer to indicate the beginning and ending of rounds, so that the contestants can hear the sound of the bell or gong.

(j) It shall be the responsibility of the promoter to have an attendant available at all times during the progress of the event capable of making repairs, corrections and adjustments to the ring, the lights and other necessary fixtures as shall be ordered by the Commissioner.

(k) The ring shall be amply illuminated by overhead lights which shall be arranged so that shadow is eliminated and discomfort from heat and glare minimized for persons in or near the ring.

Amended by R.1970 d.35, effective April 8, 1970.
See: 2 N.J.R. 27(a), 2 N.J.R. 44(a).

Requirement for third set of steps.

13:46-2.6 Stools and/or chairs

(a) A ring stool of a type approved by the Commissioner shall be available for each boxer. Stools must be thoroughly cleaned or replaced after each bout.

(b) An appropriate number of stools or chairs, of a type approved by the Commissioner, shall be available for each boxer's seconds in the corner of each boxer. Stools must be thoroughly cleaned or replaced after each bout.

(c) Suitable separate ringside seats for the judges, timekeeper, physicians and the Commissioner's representatives, which must be approved by the Commissioner before the commencement of any boxing program, must be provided.

1. Seats must be sufficiently high enough to give all ringside officials a clear, unobstructed view of the ring.

13:46-2.7 Ring to be clear of obstructions

The entire ring platform shall be cleared of all obstructions, including such articles as buckets and stools at the ten second whistle before the end of the rest period between rounds, and none of these articles shall be placed on the ring floor until the bell has ended the round.

13:46-2.8 Emergency medical facilities and equipment

All promoters must provide medical information, facilities and equipment, including but not limited to a stretcher and emergency oxygen, adequate for emergency occasions, and an ambulance for each boxing show, and all such medical facilities and equipment must be approved in advance by the Commissioner.

13:46-2.9 Round cards

Each boxing club shall provide a sufficient supply of white, square shaped round cards, numbered on one side from one to 15. These shall be visible from the ring to all spectators. The Commissioner shall determine whether or not the round cards may contain advertising or any other printed matter and shall establish the terms and conditions under which such advertising or printed matter may be included thereon.

SUBCHAPTER 3. BOXING EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

13:46-3.1 Specifications for bandages on boxer's hands

(a) In all weight classes, the bandages on each hand shall be restricted to soft gauze cloth not more than 13 yards in length and two inches in width, held in place by not more than 10 feet of surgeon's tape, one inch in width, for each hand.

(b) One winding of surgeon's adhesive tape, not over one and one-half inches wide, shall be placed directly on each hand for protection near the wrist. The tape may cross the back of the hand twice but shall not extend to within one inch of the knuckles when the hand is clenched to make a fist.

(c) The bandages shall be evenly distributed across the hand, without zigzagging, lumping or curling.

(d) Bandages and tape shall be placed on the boxer's hands in the dressing room in the presence of the Commissioner's inspector and in the presence of the manager or chief second of his opponent.

(e) Under no circumstances are gloves to be placed on the hands of a contestant until the approval of the Commissioner's inspector is received.

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

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

Subsection (a) amended; (b) deleted old (c)-(f) renumbered (b)-(e).

13:46-3.2 Condition and size of gloves

(a) The gloves shall be new for all main events and also for all bouts scheduled for 10 rounds or more. All gloves shall be in good condition or they must be replaced.

(b) All gloves are to be furnished by the licensed club or promoter.

(c) All gloves must weigh at least eight ounces, except that in the Commissioner's discretion, six ounce gloves may be used in the flyweight, bantamweight and featherweight classes.

13:46-3.3 Placement of gloves on boxer's hands

(a) In all bouts, the gloves shall be inspected by the Commissioner's inspector and the ringside physician prior to the fight. The gloves shall be placed on the boxer's hands in the dressing room under the supervision of the Commissioner's inspector, and the laces of each glove shall be knotted on the back of the wrists and there shall be placed on the wrists of the gloves, over the laces, a strip of one-inch surgeon's adhesive tape. The gloves must be removed in the ring after the bout.

(b) If a glove bursts or is otherwise damaged during the progress of a bout, the referee shall interrupt the bout and require that such glove be replaced before the resumption of the bout.

13:46-3.4 Abdominal guard

(a) All boxers must equip themselves with a foul-proof abdominal guard of the boxer's own selection, type to be approved by the Commissioner.

(b) Abdominal guards shall be examined before all bouts by the Commissioner's inspector.

13:46-3.5 Mouth pieces

No boxer shall be permitted to perform in any contest without equipping himself with a well-fitting mouthpiece, which shall be subject to examination and approval by the attending physician.

13:46-3.6 Boxer's trunks

Each boxer on a program must provide himself with trunks of a type approved by the Commissioner.

13:46-3.7 Types of shoes barred from ring

No shoes with spikes, cleats, hard soles or hard heels are permitted in the ring.

13:46-3.8 Cleanly shaven

(a) All boxers must be cleanly shaven when they participate in a ring contest, except that a boxer may wear a closely cropped mustache.

(b) Hair must be trimmed or tied back in such a way (subject to the approval of the ringside physician) as to not interfere with the vision of either boxer or cover any part of a boxer's face. Hair grooming creams, lotions or sprays shall not be worn on a boxer's hair during a fight.

(c) No jewelry or earrings shall be worn by a boxer during a bout.

13:46-3.9 Other boxing equipment

(a) For each bout there shall be a clean water bucket and a clean plastic bottle in each boxer's corner. These articles shall be provided by the licensed club or promoter.

(b) The licensed club or promoter shall also provide powdered resin for canvas and such other articles as may be required by the Commissioner for conducting the boxing contests.

SUBCHAPTER 4. LICENSING AND PERMITS

13:46-4.1 General licensing requirement

No person, club, corporation or association shall hold, conduct or participate in boxing bouts or wrestling exhibitions or sparring exhibitions in the State of New Jersey without first having obtained a license from the State Athletic Commissioner. The Commissioner, in the exercise of the discretion to grant or deny a license, 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. Any such determinations, standards or recommendations made by a nationally recognized boxing association whose voting membership is composed of representatives of governmental agencies regulating boxing. Any such determinations, standards or recommendations made may include, but not be limited to, any concerning the moral character of the applicant. A nationally recognized boxing association shall include, but not be limited to, the World Boxing Association, the World Boxing Council, the North American Boxing Federation and the United States Boxing Association. Nevertheless, the Commissioner shall retain full authority to grant or deny a license irrespective of a determination or recommendations by such an association.

Amended by R.1970 d.35, effective April 8, 1970.

See: 2 N.J.R. 27(a), 2 N.J.R. 44(a).

Amendments concerned indoor and outdoor clubs and fees for contests that combined professional and amateur events.

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

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

Added Commissioner's discretion to grant or deny license based on standards and recommendations of a nationally recognized boxing association.

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

Added text "Nevertheless the Commissioner ... such as association".

13:46-4.2 Application

Any application for a promoter license shall be submitted to the Commissioner for consideration.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Changed "club" to "promoter".

13:46-4.3 Examination

Before acting upon any application for a license, the Commissioner may examine, under oath, applicants or other witnesses.

13:46-4.4 List of associated persons

Every application for a license shall have attached to it a complete list of these persons associated with the applicant. If the applicant is a partnership, the list shall state the name of all partners, and if the applicant is a corporation, the list shall state all officers and directors and all shareholders owning or controlling 10 percent or more of the stock. Failure to file such a complete list of associated persons with the application shall be considered sufficient reason to refuse issuance of the license. If the list of associated persons or any other information required by the act or by these rules is falsified and a license is issued, the license shall be revoked.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Deleted old text of "list of partners" and added new text of "list of associated persons".

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

Added the word "all" before officers and directors.

13:46-4.5 Building inspector's certificate

Every application for license shall have attached to the same the certification from the building inspector of the municipality in which the license-holder intends to operate.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Changed "club" to "license-holder".

13:46-4.6 Fees

(a) The fee for promoter license is \$100.00.

(b) The fee for wrestling license is \$50.00.

(c) The fee for a single show permit wrestling license is \$25.00.

As amended, R.1971 d.135, eff. August 11, 1971.
See: 3 N.J.R. 183(a).

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

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

Changed "boxing club" to "promoter".

13:46-4.7 Term of licenses

(a) All new and renewal licenses issued to boxers by the State Athletic Control Board after the effective date of this regulation shall be valid for a period of one year from the date the license is issued, unless revoked or suspended for cause.

(b) All other licenses issued by the State Athletic Control Board shall be on a fiscal year basis (July 1 through the following June 30) and shall be valid from the date the license is issued until the expiration of the fiscal year, no matter when the license was originally obtained, unless revoked or suspended for cause.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Grammatical change.

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

Deleted old text and substituted new.

New Rule R.1987 d.51, effective January 20, 1987.
See: 18 N.J.R. 1924(c), 19 N.J.R. 233(b).

Repealed period of validity; Renewal of license.

13:46-4.8 Bond procedure

(a) Each applicant shall execute and file with the Commissioner a bond to the State of New Jersey in the sum of at least \$5,000 in a form and with sureties thereon satisfactory to the Commission, which bond shall be conditioned for the payment of the State tax.

(b) No license shall be granted under this Chapter unless such bond in connection therewith has been so filed and approved.

13:46-4.9 Documents

All papers and documents filed with the Commissioner shall be the property of the Commissioner.

13:46-4.10 Matchmaker

Each licensed promoter shall designate a matchmaker who must be licensed by the Commissioner pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:46-9.1. The fee for a matchmaker license shall be \$25.00.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Changed "boxing club" to "promoter". Grammatical changes.

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

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

Deleted text "whose fee shall be ... license and bond" and substituted "who must be ... shall be \$25.00".

13:46-4.11 Payment with application

All applications for promoter licenses shall be accompanied by a certified check to cover the entire fee, including the matchmaker's license.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).
Changed "boxing club" to "promoter".

13:46-4.12 Substitute promoter

The promoter may not transfer or delegate a substitute to operate under his license.

13:46-4.13 (Reserved)

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).
Changed "clubs" to "promoters" and "matches" to "programs".
Repealed by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).
This section was originally "suspension bulletins".

13:46-4.14 (Reserved)

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).
Changed "club" to "promoter".
Repealed by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Section was originally transfer of functions.

13:46-4.15 Sale or transfer of license prohibited

Licenses are not to be bartered, sold, exchanged or transferred.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).
Deleted "club".
Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Deleted old text and substituted new.

13:46-4.16 Forms provided

Blank application forms for licenses shall be provided by the State Athletic Commission.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).
Deleted "club".

13:46-4.17 (Reserved)

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).
Deleted "club" and changed "show" to "program".
Repealed by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Section was originally revocation for nonuse.

13:46-4.18 (Reserved)

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).
Changed "club" to "promoter".
Repealed by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Section was originally display of certificate.

13:46-4.19 Promoter responsibility

All holders of a promoters license shall be held absolutely responsible to the Commissioner for all programs or exhibitions held, given or conducted.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Deleted "persons, clubs, corporations or associations holding licenses" and added licensees. Changed "matches" to "programs".
Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

13:46-4.20 (Reserved)

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Changed "club, corporation or person" to "promoter".
Repealed by R.1985 d.164, effective April 1, 1985.
See: 17 N.J.R. 55(a), 17 N.J.R. 837(a).

Section was previously "Financial interest in participants".

13:46-4.21 Application for permit

(a) No promoter shall hold any boxing, wrestling or sparring program unless the promoter shall hold a valid license issued under the act and under these rules, unless at least two weeks before the holding of the program the promoter shall have notified the Commissioner of its being scheduled and unless at least 10 days before the date of the proposed program the promoter shall have been issued by the Commissioner a written permit to hold it.

(b) No permit shall be issued unless the promoter shall have first submitted to the Commissioner in writing the names of all contestants for that match which constitutes the main event of the program and that match immediately preceding the main event.

(c) No permit shall be issued unless the promoter shall have submitted to the Commissioner signed contracts of boxers and managers in those matches described in (b) above. The contracts shall have the bona fide addresses of the contestants.

(d) The Commissioner, in the exercise of the discretion to grant or deny a permit, 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. Any such determinations, standards or recommendations made may include, but not be limited to, rankings of boxers and choice or match. A nationally recognized boxing association shall include, but not be limited to, the World American Boxing Federation and the United States Boxing Association. Nevertheless, the Commissioner shall retain full authority to grant or deny a permit irrespective of determination or recommendations by such an association.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Deleted old text of "notification by promoter" and added new text of "application for permit".

13:46-4.22 (Reserved)

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).
Repealed permit issuance.

13:46-4.23 Permits in writing

All applications for permits must be in writing.

13:46-4.24 Guarantee

In connection with such permits, the commissioner may require posting of a suitable sum of money as a guarantee of fulfillment of all obligations attendant upon the promotion. This guarantee fund shall be remitted upon satisfactory conclusion of the promotion.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Deleted (a) requiring a \$100.00 permit fee.

13:46-4.25 License fees

(a) License fees for wrestlers, managers, seconds, referees, timekeepers, announcers, doormen and box-office employees shall be on a fiscal year basis (July 1 through the following June 30) and the fee for each license shall be as follows:

1. Wrestling Booking Agency.....	\$50.00
2. Wrestling Booking Agent.....	15.00
3. Referee.....	15.00
4. Manager.....	15.00
5. Wrestler.....	5.00
6. Second.....	5.00
7. Timekeeper.....	5.00
8. Announcer.....	5.00
9. Doorman.....	5.00
10. Box office employee.....	5.00
11. Matchmaker.....	25.00

(b) The fee for a boxer's license shall be \$5.00.

As amended, R.1971 d.135, eff. August 11, 1971.
See: 3 N.J.R. 183(a).
Amended by R.1987 d.51, effective January 20, 1987.
See: 18 N.J.R. 1924(c), 19 N.J.R. 233(c).
Deleted boxing from section.

13:46-4.26 Lost license; duplicate

If a license is lost, its owner may obtain a duplicate for \$1.00 by written application to the Trenton Office of the State Athletic Commissioner.

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

13:46-4.27 Criteria for license issuance to promoters

(a) The State Athletic Commissioner may grant a license to conduct boxing or wrestling promotions where an applicant has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Commissioner financial responsibility, experience, good character and general fitness and of those persons who own or control more than 10 percent of the profits or assets of the firm, association or partnership or the officers of a corporation or those stockholders who own more than 10 percent of the stock in such a corporation; provided, however, no license shall be granted to any applicant convicted of any offense in this or any other jurisdiction which would be under New Jersey law a crime or moral turpitude or any other offense which indicates that licensure would be inimical to the conduct of the sport of boxing in this State.

(b) In deciding whether to renew a license to a promoter, the Commissioner may consider the number of shows promoted in the prior year but a show should be held in each 90 day period.

As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).

Added Commissioner's discretion shall be guided by conduct of applicant in his state of legal residence.

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.

13:46-4.28 (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 was originally "License in state of residence".

13:46-4.29 Co-promoter

Any co-promoter of a boxing or wrestling promotion must obtain a \$100.00 permit license associating himself with a licensed promoter. Such a license is valid for a single show.

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

Permit license charge changed from "\$150.00" to "\$100.00".

13:46-4.30 (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 was originally "Corporation license".

13:46-4.31 Geographical territory

(a) When issuing a yearly boxing or wrestling license, the Commissioner shall designate which of three geographical territories over which the license shall be valid.

(b) A promoter may obtain a license to promote in more than one geographical territory and must obtain a license for a specific territory before promoting in that territory.

As amended R.1970 d.68, eff. June 22, 1970.
See: 2 N.J.R. 36(b), 2 N.J.R. 57(b).
Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

(b) added.

13:46-4.32 Territory of northern New Jersey

Any yearly boxing or wrestling license issued to a promoter to operate in the geographical territory of northern New Jersey shall be valid throughout Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union and Warren Counties.

As amended R.1970 d.68, eff. June 22, 1970.
See: 2 N.J.R. 36(b), 2 N.J.R. 57(b).

13:46-4.33 Territory of central New Jersey

Any yearly boxing or wrestling license issued to a promoter to operate in the geographical territory of central New Jersey shall be valid throughout Burlington, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth and Ocean Counties.

As amended R.1970 d.68, eff. June 22, 1970.
See: 2 N.J.R. 36(b), 2 N.J.R. 57(b).

13:46-4.34 Territory of southern New Jersey

Any yearly boxing or wrestling license issued to a promoter to operate in the geographical area of southern New Jersey shall be valid throughout Atlantic, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem Counties.

As amended R.1970 d.68, eff. June 22, 1970.
See: 2 N.J.R. 36(b), 2 N.J.R. 57(b).

13:46-4.35 Fingerprinting of applicants for licenses

The Commissioner shall, at his discretion, cause the fingerprints of any applicants for a license, including officers or directors of corporations, to be recorded and kept on file in the office of the Commissioner for identification purposes and for guidance in the exercise of discretion in granting, rejecting or suspending such licenses.

R.1972 d.45, eff. Mar. 2, 1972.
See: 4 N.J.R. 28(a), 4 N.J.R. 76(c).
Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Substituted "any" for "all".

13:46-4.36 Refund of license fees

Refunds will not be granted to any person for fees paid for a license, when such person fails to complete the application requirements considered and approved by the Commissioner.

R.1972 d.44, eff. Mar. 2, 1972.
See: 4 N.J.R. 28(b), 4 N.J.R. 76(b).
As amended, R.1982 d.389, eff. November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 751(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(a).
Changed "club" to "promoter".
Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Deleted text "promoter licenses, including matchmaker's licenses", and substituted "a license".

SUBCHAPTER 5. BOXERS

13:46-5.1 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

13:46-5.2 Age

(a) The Commissioner shall license no applicant as a professional boxer who is under the age of 18.

(b) A professional boxer above the age of 35 shall not be licensed by the Commissioner unless he is able to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Commissioner and the physicians appointed by him that he is capable of engaging in a boxing contest.

Amended by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).
Section substantially amended.

13:46-5.3 Boxer as self manager

Any boxer who has attained his 18th birthday and is not under contract to a manager can make his own matches, signing contracts to handle his own affairs and shall for the same apply for a manager's license.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Changed age from "21st" to "18th".

13:46-5.4 First appearance; proof of age and identity

(a) Any boxer must provide positive proof of his age and identity.

(b) Unless positive proof of age and identity is provided, the inspector shall not permit the contestant to box.

(c) Positive proof of age and identity may include but may not be limited to a drivers license or birth certificate.

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

13:46-5.5 Boxer-manager contract forms

(a) All boxers with managers must, when boxing in New Jersey for the first time, sign boxer-manager contract forms. These must be executed in triplicate in the presence of a notary public or a Commission official. One copy shall be retained by the manager, one copy shall be retained by the boxer and the manager shall file the third copy with the State Athletic Commissioner.

(b) All contracts and written agreements between a boxer and his manager must be filed with the State Athletic Commissioner.

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.

13:46-5.6 Boxer-manager contracts; time of effectiveness

(a) Boxer-manager contracts in New Jersey shall be effective for a maximum of three years, unless the manager releases the boxer or the Commissioner declares the contract void.

(b) No boxer-manager contracts in New Jersey may be renewable at the exclusive option of the manager.

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

13:46-5.7 Release from contract

Release of a boxer by a manager from a boxer-manager contract shall be in writing and shall be kept on file in the State Athletic Commission office.

13:46-5.8 Parties to contract to be licensed

(a) Both parties to a boxer-manager contract must be licensed by the State Athletic Commission or the same shall not become effective.

(b) The Commissioner may recognize contracts on file with governmental agencies in other jurisdictions provided that the contracts comply with the rules of the Commissioner.

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

Deleted text "in co-operating States" and added "with governmental agencies . . . of the Commissioner."

13:46-5.9 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

This section was previously "minors".

13:46-5.10 Club contract

No boxer shall participate in any bout in New Jersey without signing a club contract. If the boxer has a manager, the signatures of both the boxer and manager should appear on the club contract.

13:46-5.11 Payment to boxer

A promoter shall pay the boxer the full purse specified in the contract.

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

Added text "the boxer".

13:46-5.12 Failure to appear for weigh-in

Any boxer who fails to appear for the official weigh-in, within the time stipulated on the club contract, shall be subject to fine or suspension or both.

13:46-5.13 Failure to appear for bout

Any contestant who fails to appear for a bout after he has signed a club contract shall be suspended.

13:46-5.14 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

This section was previously "rest period; reinstatement after knock-out".

13:46-5.15 Failure to give satisfactory performance

(a) If a boxer, in the judgment of the referee, inspector or other Commission official, fails to give a satisfactory performance, his purse shall be forwarded to the Commissioner.

(b) Such money withheld shall be deposited with the State Treasurer.

(c) All parties concerned shall be summoned to a hearing and the disposition of the purse shall be decided by the Commissioner. If the Commissioner agrees that the boxer failed to give a satisfactory performance he may fine the boxer and the amount of the fine shall be deducted from the purse.

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

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

Deleted (b) and added new (b) and (c).

13:46-5.16 Forfeit fees

(a) The Commissioner may require the posting of forfeit fees by boxers, either in cash or certified check, to guarantee appearance or making of weight.

(b) If said boxer fails to appear or make the agreed upon weight, the Commissioner may impose a fine on all or part of the forfeit money.

(c) Such money withheld shall be deposited with the State Treasurer.

13:46-5.17 Boxer with suspended manager

A boxer whose manager has been suspended may continue boxing independently during the term of such suspension, signing all contracts for matches.

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

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

Deleted subsection (b).

13:46-5.18 Age limitation when beginning boxing career

No license shall be granted to any applicant who has attained his 27th birthday and wishes to begin a professional boxing career.

13:46-5.19 Age limitations on rounds of boxing

(a) Boxers 18 years of age are permitted to box for six rounds.

(b) Boxers 19 years of age are permitted to box up to eight rounds.

(c) Boxers 20 years of age are permitted to box 10 rounds.

(d) Boxers 21 years of age are permitted to box more than 10 rounds.

(e) The Commissioner shall have the discretion to waive the age limitations set forth in (a) through (c) above where, based upon a thorough review of the boxer's amateur and professional boxing experience, he determines that the boxer has demonstrated the ability to compete in a bout of longer duration. The Commissioner's review should include a consideration of the boxer's bouts of longer duration in other jurisdictions during the previous year and his degree of success against opponents who have competed in bouts of longer duration.

Amended by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

(e) deleted.

Amended by R.1987 d.53, effective January 20, 1987.
See: 18 N.J.R. 1789(a), 19 N.J.R. 233(a).

Subsection (e) added.

13:46-5.20 Number of rounds

Boxers can be matched at four, six, eight, 10, 12 or 15 rounds.

Amended by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

Deleted text "As bouts of other duration at the discretion of the commissioner".

13:46-5.21 Fouls

(a) The following are fouls in boxing and boxers committing any of these infractions are subject to penalty as the referee sees fit:

1. Hitting below the belt;
2. Hitting an opponent who is down or who is getting up after being down;
3. Holding an opponent with one hand and hitting with the other;
4. Holding or deliberately maintaining a clinch;
5. Wrestling or kicking;
6. Any unsportsmanlike trick or action causing injury to an opponent;
7. Butting with the head or shoulder or using the knee;
8. Hitting with the open glove, or with the butt of the hand, the wrist, or the elbow; all backhand blows;
9. Roughing at the ropes;
10. Use of the kidney punch, which consists of punching in the back or kidney area;
11. Use of the rabbit punch, which is defined as punching to the back of the head or neck;
12. Jabbing opponent's eyes with the thumb of the glove;
13. The use of abusive language in the ring;
14. Hitting on the break;

15. Hitting after the bell has sounded ending the round.

13:46-5.22 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(b).

Section was previously "Eyes, submission of medical report".

13:46-5.23 Time between bouts

(a) If a boxer has competed anywhere in a bout of nine rounds or more, he shall not be permitted to box in this State until 30 days have elapsed since his last bout.

(b) If a boxer has competed anywhere in a bout of seven to eight rounds inclusive, he shall not be permitted to box in this State until 20 days have elapsed since his last bout.

(c) If a boxer has competed anywhere in a bout of four to six rounds inclusive, he shall not be permitted to box in this State until 14 days have elapsed since his last bout.

(d) If a boxer has competed anywhere in a bout of one to three rounds inclusive, he shall not be permitted to box in this State until 10 days have elapsed since his last bout.

(e) At the Commissioner's discretion, the time periods outlined above may be extended where indicated by the circumstances of the boxer's last bout. In making this determination, the Commissioner shall consider:

1. The number, nature and effect of the blows exchanged by the boxers during the bout;
2. The physical condition of the boxer as demonstrated by the post-fight physical examination; and
3. The recommendations of the ringside physician.

As amended, R.1971 d.228, effective Dec. 30, 1971.

See: 3 N.J.R. 272(b), 4 N.J.R. 28(d).

Amended by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

Section substantially amended.

New Rule, R.1987 d.214, effective May 18, 1987.

See: 18 N.J.R. 2423(a), 19 N.J.R. 882(a).

Old text deleted.

13:46-5.24 (Reserved)

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 "Inability to perform contract due to injuries or illness".

13:46-5.25 (Reserved)

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 "cleanly shaven".

13:46-5.26 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1985 d.164, effective April 1, 1985.

See: 17 N.J.R. 55(a), 17 N.J.R. 837(a).

Originally "Boxers from same stable".

13:46-5.27 Disqualification of boxer

If a boxer persists in fouling, despite a referee's warnings and in violation of clean sportsmanship, the referee shall have the right to disqualify said boxer.

13:46-5.28 Contest stopped prematurely

When a boxing contest is stopped because of rain or other unavoidable circumstances and less than half of the scheduled number of rounds have been finished, the Commissioner or his representative shall call the same a draw. If, under the same circumstances, half or more of the scheduled number of rounds have been completed, the decision shall be awarded in accordance with the majority score of the scorecards.

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

13:46-5.29 Resident license

No professional boxer who is not a resident of New Jersey may be booked or scheduled to appear in any boxing contest unless such boxer has in his possession a current license from his State of legal residence, or other appropriate governmental jurisdiction, or if the same provision is waived by the Commissioner.

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.

13:46-5.30 (Reserved)

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 "Examination prior to licensing and boxing".

13:46-5.31 Grounds for suspension of license

A license of any boxer shall be suspended for an arrest for or revoked on a conviction of any offense in this or any other jurisdiction which would be under New Jersey law a crime of moral turpitude or any other offense which indicates that licensure would be inimical to the conduct of the sport of boxing in this State. An application for a license or renewal thereof shall be denied by the Commission for the same reasons.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Deleted old text and substituted new.

13:46-5.32 First appearance; number of rounds

Any boxer making his first professional appearance may not box more than four rounds.

New Rules, R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

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

SUBCHAPTER 6. MANAGERS**13:46-6.1 General qualifications**

In order to be licensed as a manager an individual must indicate to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that he is able to work with the boxer or boxers he seeks to manage and to protect their interest and safety and is conversant with the rules and regulations of the Commission.

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 text substituted.

13:46-6.2 Working in a boxer's corner

No manager may work as a second unless he has been licensed as a second.

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 text substituted.

13:46-6.3 Loss of license by manager

Any manager who signs a boxer-manager contract must continue to be licensed during the term of the contract. If a manager does not renew his license, or if his license is not renewed or if his license is revoked by the Commissioner, the provisions of the boxer-manager contract at the discretion of the Commission will not be recognized by the Commissioner.

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 text substituted.

13:46-6.4 Manager's percentage of ring earnings

(a) The manager shall be entitled to no more than 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ percent of the ring earnings of any boxer with whom he has a properly filed boxer-manager contract.

(b) If any boxer performs on any card without his manager's permission, such manager may request the Commissioner to hold $\frac{1}{3}$ of the purse and the same shall be held for the manager unless the boxer can show cause to the contrary.

13:46-6.5 Failure to sign club contract

When a manager fails to sign a club contract because of carelessness, or indifference, he shall be subject to fine or suspension or both and in addition for proven dereliction the Commissioner may void a boxer-manager contract.

13:46-6.6 Manager under suspension

A manager under suspension must not work in any boxer's corner or negotiate with any promoter or matchmaker for any boxer's services.

13:46-6.7 Number of boxers with same manager in one show

No manager shall have more than four boxers engaged on a card of any boxing show.

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 text substituted.

13:46-6.8 (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 was originally "Signatories to club contract".

13:46-6.9 Acceptance by manager

Any manager who agrees to accept a match for the services of a boxer through the medium of any written or telegraphic means of communication shall be held accountable for his actions as if accomplished in person by a club contract.

13:46-6.10 License for promoter deals

No unlicensed manager shall deal with any promoter or matchmaker.

13:46-6.11 License to schedule match

No unlicensed person shall book or schedule a match until issued a manager's license.

13:46-6.12 Manager representing manager

If a licensed manager desires to represent another licensed manager in securing contests for a boxer, such manager must have in his possession a written agreement by both the manager and boxer whom he represents. This agreement must be filed with the Commissioner who shall approve or disapprove recognition of such agreement.

13:46-6.13 Number of managers per boxer

(a) No boxer can have more than one manager without express approval of the Commissioner.

(b) If a boxer shall have more than one manager, all such managers should be on record with the Commission and the promoter must deal only with the licensed manager or managers so recorded.

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

13:46-6.14 Manager attempting to take another manager's boxer

It shall be a prohibited practice for any licensed manager to attempt to take another manager's boxer.

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 text substituted.

13:46-6.15 Transfer of manager-boxer contract

Contracts between a manager and boxer are not transferable without filing a proper notice thereof with the Commissioner attested to by all of the principals.

13:46-6.16 Aid for injured boxer

No manager shall attempt to render aid to an injured boxer before the ringside physician has had an opportunity to examine the boxer.

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".

13:46-6.17 Advertising on person of manager

No advertising matter shall appear on the person or clothing of managers appearing in the ring in any capacity.

13:46-6.18 Grounds for suspension of license

A license of any manager shall be suspended for an arrest for or revoked on a conviction of any offense in this or any other jurisdiction which would be under New Jersey law a crime of moral turpitude or any other offense which indicates that licensure would be inimical to the conduct of the sport of boxing in this State. An application for a license or renewal thereof shall be denied by the Commission for the same reasons.

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 text substituted.

13:46-6.19 Giving incorrect information on application

Any manager who gives incorrect information on any application may be suspended by the Commissioner.

13:46-6.20 Manager supplying unfit boxers

It shall be a prohibited practice for a manager to supply boxers for bouts who are either unfit to box or who fail to give satisfactory performances.

Repealed R.1971 d.172, effective September 30, 1971.
See: 3 N.J.R. 182(a), 3 N.J.R. 233(a).
New Rules, R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 3962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

13:46-6.21 Application for boxing manager's license

(a) Applications for a boxing manager's license shall contain a true and complete statement of all persons connected with the management.

(b) Subsequent to the granting of any such license such applicant shall submit for approval by the State Athletic Commissioner any change at any time in the persons connected with the management.

As amended, R.1970 d.35, effective April 8, 1970.
See: 2 N.J.R. 27(a), 2 N.J.R. 44(a).

SUBCHAPTER 7. SECONDS

13:46-7.1 Licensing and training standards for seconds

Prior to the issuance of a license of a boxing second, the applicant must pass a written and/or oral examination relating to the Commissioner's rules and regulations, treatment of injuries, physical conditioning, health care, nutrition, training, first aid, effects of drugs and alcohol and the bandaging of a boxer's hands.

13:46-7.2 Number of seconds

Each contestant must have at least two and no more than three seconds. However, in championship bouts, a contestant may have no more than four seconds. Each such second may wear only such costume as may be prescribed by the Commissioner. Only one of such seconds may be inside the ring at the sound of the time-keeper's whistle, ten seconds before the round is to begin, and shall remove all obstructions, such as buckets and stools at that time.

13:46-7.3 Conduct of seconds

No second may coach any of the boxers during the progress of any round. No second may enter the ring and assist a boxer back to his corner unless the bout has been terminated by the referee or ringside physician.

13:46-7.4 Equipment subject to inspection

First aid and other ring equipment of a second shall in all cases at all times before, during and after use at a bout, be subject to inspection by the ringside physician and the Commissioner's inspector. The decision of the ringside physician not to permit the use of any such equipment shall be final.

13:46-7.5 Items permitted in the boxer's corner

(a) A bucket with ice, plastic water bottle, sponge and surgical tape must be available in each boxer's corner. Without specific permission of the Commissioner, the only other materials which a second may bring to or use at ringside are Vaseline, Adrenalin (in a manufacturer's vial, premeasured in a 1/1,000 solution), cotton swabs, gauze pads, clean towels, thrombin, avitene, pressure plates, hydrogen peroxide, mouthwash solution, bandage scissors and sterile skin closures.

(b) The following materials are expressly prohibited: monsel solution, drugs of any type, "new skin", Flex Colloid, silver nitrate, any substance with an iron base, ammonia capsules and smelling salts.

13:46-7.6 Excessive spraying of water on boxers

Any excessive or undue spraying or throwing of water on any boxer between rounds is forbidden.

13:46-7.7 Penalties for violations

(a) Any second who violates any of the regulations under this Subchapter shall be subject to license revocation, license suspension and/or fine at the discretion of the Commissioner.

(b) Any second holding a license may be suspended for arrest or conviction on a charge involving moral turpitude or for unbecoming conduct at any time or place reflecting discredit to boxing. Under similar circumstances, application for a license or a renewal thereof may be summarily rejected.

(c) Any second who gives incorrect information on any application may be suspended by the Commissioner.

(d) A second under suspension shall not work in any boxer's corner.

13:46-7.8 Second acting as manager

A second holding only a second's license shall not attempt to act as manager, or assist in any way in obtaining matches. If found guilty of such actions, he shall be suspended.

13:46-7.9 Aid to an injured boxer

No second shall attempt to render aid to an injured boxer before the ringside physician has had an opportunity to examine the boxer.

13:46-7.10 Advertising on persons of second

No advertising matter shall appear on the person or clothing of seconds appearing in the ring in any capacity.

13:46-7.11 Termination of boxer's performance

(a) No second may terminate the performance of the boxer he is serving either between rounds or during the progress of any boxing contest in which such boxer is a contestant.

(b) Violation of this Section shall result in automatic suspension of the second together with the boxer he is serving and the boxer's purse shall be withheld by the Commissioner pending investigation of the violation.

Amended by R.1970 d.68, effective June 22, 1970.
See: 2 N.J.R. 36(b), 2 N.J.R. 57(b).

SUBCHAPTER 8. BOXING REFEREES AND JUDGES

13:46-8.1 Selection and assignment

(a) Referees and judges for boxing exhibitions shall be selected, licensed, and assigned by the Commissioner.

(b) To be licensed as a referee or as a judge an individual must have officiated previously in amateur competition or in other states or jurisdictions. The Commissioner will review the applicant's previous performance and will consider any other training including attendance at seminars conducted by the State Athletic Commissioner. Judges must be conversant with the rules and regulations of the Commissioner.

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

13:46-8.2 Chief ring official

The referee shall be the chief official of every boxing match and shall remain in the ring during the entire time of the contest.

13:46-8.3 Reporting for duty; number per show; restrictions

(a) Referees and judges must report for duty at least one hour before the scheduled starting time of the show.

(b) At least three judges and at least two referees will be assigned for each show.

(c) Referees must first report to their dressing room; then to ringside; must stay at ringside when not officiating; and must avoid conversation except with State Athletic Control Board officials.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
(a) added: "and judges".
(b) added: "Three judges and at".

Amended by R.1988 d.17, effective January 4, 1988.
See: 19 N.J.R. 1787(a), 20 N.J.R. 103(b).

Substituted "State Athletic Control Board" for "Commission".

13:46-8.4 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).
This section was previously "Cardiograms; physical examination".

13:46-8.5 Apparel

(a) A referee may wear only such costume as may be prescribed by the Commissioner.

(b) No jewelry or wristwatches shall be worn by a referee during a bout.

Amended by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).
Section substantially amended.

13:46-8.6 (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 "Wiping boxing gloves".

13:46-8.7 Chief second's responsibility

The referee shall, before starting a contest, ascertain from each contestant the name of his chief second, and shall hold said chief second responsible for the conduct of his assistant seconds during the progress of the contest.

13:46-8.8 Mid-ring instructions

The referee shall call contestants together before such bout for final instructions, covering good sportsmanship and the eight-count; at which time each contestant shall be accompanied by his chief second only. The contestants, after receiving instructions, shall shake hands and retire to their corners. They shall not again shake hands until the beginning of the last round.

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

13:46-8.9 Persons in ring during round

No persons other than the contestants, the referee and the ringside physician may be in the ring during the progress of a round.

Amended by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).
Added the ringside physician allowed in the ring.

13:46-8.10 Knockdown of contestant; count

(a) When a contestant is knocked down the referee shall order the opponent to retire to the farthest neutral corner of the ring, pointing to the corner, and immediately begin the count over the boxer who is down.

(b) He shall audibly announce the passing of the seconds, accompanying the count with motions of his arm, the downward motion indicating the end of each second.

(c) Any contestant who is knocked down shall not be allowed to resume boxing until after the referee has finished counting eight.

(d) The contestant may take this count either on the floor or standing if he has not been struck hard enough to keep him down.

(e) Should the opponent fail to stay in the farthest corner, the referee may cease counting until he has returned to it, and then go with the count from the point which it was interrupted.

13:46-8.11 Knockout of contestant; count

(a) If the contestant taking the count is still down when the referee calls the count of "ten" the referee shall wave both arms to indicate that he has been knocked out.

(b) The referee's count is the official count.

13:46-8.12 End of round knockout

When a round in any boxing contest, including the last round, shall terminate before a contestant who has been knocked down shall have risen from the floor of the ring, the count for the knockdown and referee's count shall be continued, and, if the fallen contestant shall fail to rise before the count of 10, he shall be considered to have lost the bout by a knockout in the round last concluded.

Amended by R.1988 d.17, effective January 4, 1988.

See: 19 N.J.R. 1787(a), 20 N.J.R. 103(b).

Substituted "including" for "except" and added "count for the knockdown" for "timekeeper's".

13:46-8.13 Touching boxers; "break"

The referee may audibly or physically command boxers to "break", or use a combination of those commands, when clinches occur during the course of the contest.

Amended by R.1988 d.17, effective January 4, 1988.

See: 19 N.J.R. 1787(a), 20 N.J.R. 103(b).

Deleted old text and substituted new.

13:46-8.14 Mandatory eight count; three knockdowns in one round; stopping a bout

(a) A boxer shall be required to take a full count of eight if:

1. A boxer has been knocked down, even if he has regained his feet prior to or during the count of eight; or
2. A boxer has received a severe and sustained beating without defending himself.

(b) When a boxer receives a count of eight during a boxing contest, the referee or ringside physician may terminate the contest if a boxer appears to be in physical danger. In such cases, the decision of the ringside physician to terminate the contest shall be final.

(c) The referee shall stop the contest:

1. Immediately upon the occurrence of three knockdowns of a boxer in any one round; and
2. Immediately when a boxer has received three standing eight counts in any one round; and
3. Immediately when a boxer has received any combination of knockdowns and standing eight counts totalling three in any one round.
4. Upon stopping the bout pursuant to (c)1, 2, or 3 above, the referee shall award the decision to the boxer's opponent by a technical knockout.
5. A "knockdown" will be deemed to have occurred whenever any part of a boxer's body, other than the bottom of his feet, touches the canvas as the result of a legal blow, as distinguished from a slip or fall from being off balance.

6. A boxer's condition may also justify the referee or the ringside physician stopping a contest after less than three knockdowns.

(d) The referee or the ringside physician may stop a bout to protect a badly beaten boxer. The referee may also stop a contest if he considers it too one-sided. In cases where a boxer sustains a cut or any other injury which the referee feels may incapacitate the boxer, the referee shall immediately call the ringside physician into the ring for examination of the boxer. The referee or ringside physician may terminate the contest if a boxer appears to be in physical danger. In such cases, the decision of the ringside physician to terminate the contest shall be final and shall not be subject to change by any other official.

Amended by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

Section substantially amended.

Amended by R.1987 d.122, effective March 2, 1987.

See: 18 N.J.R. 2424(a), 19 N.J.R. 409(c).

Old text in (c) deleted and new text substituted.

13:46-8.15 Failure to answer bell

If any boxer fails to answer the bell after his rest period between rounds, the referee shall declare his opponent the winner by a TKO in the round coming up. The judges shall so indicate on their scorecards.

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

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

Deleted "referee" and substituted "judges".

13:46-8.16 Inspection of gloves

The referee shall inspect the gloves and make sure that no foreign substances have been applied to either the gloves or any part of a boxer's head or body to the detriment of an opponent.

13:46-8.17 Knocked down construed

A boxer shall be considered by the referee to be knocked down when any part of his body other than his feet is on the ring floor, or if he is helplessly on the ropes as a result of a legal blow as ruled by the referee.

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.

13:46-8.18 Failure to compete

(a) In any case where the referee decides that the contestants are not honestly competing, the bout should be stopped.

(b) A contestant earns nothing and shall not be paid for an exhibition or contest in which there is stalling, faking or dishonesty or collusion or when a contestant severely or deliberately fouls his opponent.

(c) The Commissioner shall determine the merits of any such contest and take whatever action he considers proper including the suspension or revocation of the licenses of any boxer or manager.

(d) In any such case the representative of the Commissioner should order the purse of the offender held up and forwarded to the Commissioner for investigation and action.

(e) The Commissioner may fine the boxer or boxers and the amount of the fine shall be deducted from the purse and deposited with the State Treasurer.

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.

13:46-8.19 Point system scoring

(a) The point system of scoring shall govern the decision and be rendered by three judges.

(b) The judges must mark their scorecards in ink or in indelible pencil at the end of each round, with the winner of a round receiving 10 points in the boxer's column, and the loser receiving nine points or less in his column. An even round shall be indicated by scoring 10 points for each boxer.

1. If the boxer is just slightly superior to his opponent in a round, 10 points must be scored for such boxer, and the score of nine points must be marked down for his opponent.

2. If a boxer wins a round decisively, 10 points must be scored for such boxer, and the score of eight points must be marked down for his opponent.

3. If a boxer wins a round decisively with a knock-down or knockdowns, 10 points must be scored for such boxer, and the score of seven points must be marked down for his opponent.

4. If neither boxer can be judged the winner of a round, 10 points must be scored for each boxer.

(c) If the referee penalizes a boxer for a foul during a round;

1. One point shall be deducted by the judges from that boxer's score for that round.

i. At the discretion of the referee, where the foul committed by the boxer is flagrant, repeated, or has the potential to cause injury to his opponent, the referee may order that more than one point be deducted from the boxer's score for that round.

2. The referee shall notify the judges and the announcer of the penalty imposed, and the announcer shall declare it to the public at the end of that round.

(d) At the conclusion of the bout, the decision must be awarded to the boxer with the greatest number of points on

the judges' scorecards. If the points for each boxer on the judges' scorecards are even, the decision shall be a draw.

(e) At the conclusion of each round, the judges shall submit their scorecards to the Commissioner or his representative. At the conclusion of the bout, the points shall be tallied by the Commissioner or his representative and given to the announcer who shall announce the decision from the ring.

(f) In all boxing contests, when the decision is announced from the ring, the announcer shall call out the total points credited to each boxer by each judge.

(g) Decisions shall be given in all bouts.

As amended, R.1971 d.171, eff. Sept. 30, 1971.
See: 3 N.J.R. 182(a), 3 N.J.R. 233(a).
Amended by R.1985 d.21, effective February 4, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 1956(a), 17 N.J.R. 314(a).
Substantially amended.
Amended by R.1986 d.444, effective November 3, 1986.
See: 18 N.J.R. 1515(c), 18 N.J.R. 2211(b).
Substantially amended.

13:46-8.20 (Reserved)

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 "Referee sole judge for stopping bout".

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 Commissioner 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 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 Association, 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 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.

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".

See: 16 N.J.R. 3962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

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 Rules, R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

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 Commissioner.

(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.

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".

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 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 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 Commission 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).
Section was originally "Physical fitness card".

13:46-9.7 Check of substitute boxers

All substitutions must occur no later than two hours after the weigh-in and all substitutes must be approved by the Commissioner or his representative and have previously obtained licenses from the State Athletic Commission.

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 text substituted.

13:46-9.8 (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 "Collection of tax payment".

13:46-9.9 (Reserved)

AGENCY NOTE: Since these sections were first proposed, L.1984, c.248 has been enacted and effective January 7, 1985. Therefore, these regulations are unnecessary and are being deleted in their entirety.

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 "Computing tax payment".

13:46-9.10 Check of lock boxes

Inspectors must check lock boxes to make certain no counterfeit tickets are deposited and as a double check on the box office count.

13:46-9.11 Special reports on performances

Inspectors shall, when the occasion requires, submit special reports on performances of the boxers, recommendations for suspensions or unusual incidents.

13:46-9.12 Special reports on injuries

If any boxer is injured which requires hospital attention, the inspectors must notify the Commission office at once and then submit a special report on a form supplied by the Commission. The same shall include all details and subsequent followup reports on the condition of the injured contestant.

13:46-9.13 Check of seconds' compliance with rules

Inspectors shall see that all seconds present a neat appearance according to the rules of this Chapter.

13:46-9.14 Assure enforcement of regulations

Inspectors shall see that all necessary equipment is provided, that the contestants are ready on time, that the seconds are properly instructed in their duties and that all regulations pertaining to the proper conduct of the bout are enforced.

13:46-9.15 Report of injuries covered by insurance

Inspectors shall make an inquiry of all boxers after their bouts, in cooperation with the physicians, and shall report any injuries covered by the accident insurance plan on a special form to the Commissioner within 24 hours.

13:46-9.16 Forwarding of receipts

Inspectors must forward voided receipts as well as all other receipts from receipt books in their custody promptly after the conduct of any show to which they are assigned.

13:46-9.17 Compensation for inspectors

(a) Two inspectors shall be assigned by the Commissioner to each boxing show.

(b) The compensation to the inspectors shall be paid by the promoter and the fee for each of the inspectors shall be \$70.00.

(c) Promoters shall not make any payments of compensation directly to inspectors. The promoter shall write a check to the State of New Jersey in an amount authorized and determined by the Commissioner or his authorized representative. The check shall be given to the Commissioner or his authorized representative. The funds will be disbursed by the Board to the inspectors.

New Rule, R.1992 d.511, effective December 21, 1992.
See: 24 N.J.R. 3492(a), 24 N.J.R. 4557(b).

SUBCHAPTER 10. ANNOUNCERS

13:46-10.1 Designation; approval; license

Announcers for boxing or wrestling in New Jersey may be designated by the promoters with the approval of the Commissioner and must be licensed by the Commissioner.

13:46-10.2 Authorization to announce

Announcers are forbidden to make any announcement whatsoever except as authorized to do so by the promoter with the consent of the Commission representative at the ringside.

13:46-10.3 Announcement of contestants' names and weights

After contestants and their chief seconds are in the ring, the boxing announcer shall announce the names of the contestants, their correct weights and other matters as may be directed by the Commissioner's representative.

13:46-10.4 Announcement of contest rules

Boxing announcers shall announce the referee's decisions at the end of contests and in the event of knockouts, the time of same and the round of occurrence.

13:46-10.5 Neutrality

(a) Announcers must not in any way by word or action attempt to show any partisanship inside or outside the ring.

(b) They must remain seated in place and be silent except when making official announcements.

13:46-10.6 Introducing suspended person

Boxing announcers must not at any time introduce from any ring any boxer or other person who is under suspension.

13:46-10.7 Announcement of the decision

At the conclusion of a boxing bout, the announcer shall obtain the decision from the Commissioner or his representative and shall announce the decision from the ring. The manner of the announcement shall be directed by the Commissioner.

Amended by R.1985 d.21, effective February 4, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 1956(a), 17 N.J.R. 314(a).
Old text deleted and new text substituted.

SUBCHAPTER 11. TIMEKEEPERS

13:46-11.1 Appointment and license

Timekeepers for boxing or wrestling in New Jersey shall be appointed and licensed by the Commissioner.

13:46-11.2 Stop-watch

A timekeeper shall have an accurate stop-watch that shall have been properly examined and certified by a competent watchmaker.

13:46-11.3 Time of round; rest period

(a) A timekeeper shall limit each round of boxing to three minutes.

(b) Each rest period between rounds shall last 60 seconds. This period may be extended by the ringside physician in order to allow the physician sufficient time to examine a boxer's physical condition between rounds.

Amended by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1984.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).
Section substantially amended.

13:46-11.4 Warning signal

Ten seconds before the beginning of each round the timekeeper shall give to the seconds of the contestants by sounding a signal.

13:46-11.5 Termination before scheduled limit

In the event a boxing contest terminates before the scheduled limit of rounds, the timekeeper shall inform the announcer of the exact duration of the contest.

13:46-11.6 Location near bell

A timekeeper shall be equipped with a metal hammer or mallet and shall be seated close to the bell at ringside. Adequate space must be provided to allow the timekeeper complete freedom of motion.

13:46-11.7 Signals during rounds

Except for the official ten-second signal, a timekeeper at a boxing match must not give any signal or information on the duration of any round in progress in any contest.

13:46-11.8 Termination between rounds

If a boxing bout shall terminate between rounds by decision of the referee and the bell has not sounded for the next round, the boxer will be considered knocked out in the round just concluded; if the bell has sounded the fighter will be considered knocked out in the next round.

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 boxing 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 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 timekeepers officiating 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 Association, 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 timekeepers in championship boxing bouts 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).

SUBCHAPTER 12. RULES TO SAFEGUARD HEALTH

13:46-12.1 Pre-licensure medical examinations

(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 appointed by the State Athletic Control Board, one of whom is certified in neurology or neurosurgery, to establish his physical and mental fitness for competition.

(b) An examination within the meaning of (a) above shall include a complete history of the applicant (medical and ring record) and any or all of the following laboratory procedures at the discretion of the Commissioner and the physician; chest X-ray, skull X-ray, flat abdominal X-ray, complete blood count for bleeding and coagulation time, serological examination for syphilis and any other test which might be indicated by the past record or present condition of the applicant. In all cases, the examination shall include the administration of an electrocardiogram and electroencephalogram, a urinalysis, and the conduct of a thorough ophthalmological examination. In appropriate cases upon the recommendation of the examining neurologist, a computerized tomography or any other test shall be administered and the results thereof and the recommendation of the examining neurologist forwarded to the Commissioner.

(c) An examination shall be made no earlier than 30 days but no later than one day prior to licensure or the renewal thereof.

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

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

Amended by R.1986 d.302, effective July 21, 1986.

See: 18 N.J.R. 617(a), 18 N.J.R. 1484(a).

Substituted "State Athletic Board" for "Commissioner".

13:46-12.2 Pre-fight medical examinations

(a) All boxers in all bouts must be given a medical examination by a physician appointed by the Commissioner on the day 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. 13:46-12.1(b) 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.

(b) No boxer shall be permitted to enter the ring unless the physician appointed by the Commissioner has certified his 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.

Case Notes

Medical examinations of boxers cited in support of finding that breathalyzer and urine tests, as required by regulation, are not unique to jockeys. *Shoemaker v. Handel*, 608 F.Supp. 1151 (D.N.J.1985).

13:46-12.3 All drugs prohibited; drug testing

(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 indefinite suspension from boxing.

(b) The boxer must submit to any prefight or postfight 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.

(c) 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.

Case Notes

Medical examinations of boxers cited in support of finding that breathalyzer and urine tests, as required by regulation, are not unique to jockeys. *Shoemaker v. Handel*, 608 F.Supp. 1151 (D.N.J.1985).

13:46-12.4 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 must 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, such 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. Such physician may also require that the injured boxer and his 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 physician's orders regarding hospitalization may be suspended by the Commissioner in the absence of good cause shown to the contrary.

(c) Anything to the contrary notwithstanding in these rules, the ringside physician may enter the ring during the progress of a bout or between rounds 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 physicians to each boxing program.

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

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

Subsection (d) added.

13:46-12.5 Post-fight medical examinations

(a) All boxers in all bouts must 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. 13:46-12.1(b) 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.

13:46-12.6 Medical examination of boxer after severe injury or actual knockout

(a) Any boxer who has sustained any severe injury or actual knockout in a bout shall within 24 hours be thoroughly examined by a physician appointed by the State Athletic Control Board. Such examination shall include any or all of the procedures as provided in N.J.A.C. 13:46-12.1(b) as the examining physician may decide are necessary. In all cases, the examination shall include the administration of an electrocardiogram and electroencephalogram and the conduct of a thorough ophthalmological examination and a neurological examination.

(b) Any boxer who is knocked out in a boxing match shall be suspended from boxing for a 60-day period. Upon the physician's order, the Commissioner shall extend the suspension already imposed.

1. A boxer who is knocked out in a boxing match shall not be permitted to enter the ring again until a thorough medical examination of the type required by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12.1(b) has been performed by a physician appointed by the State Athletic Control Board and said physician has certified the boxer's fitness to engage in a boxing contest.

(c) Any boxer who is technically knocked out in a boxing match shall be suspended from boxing for a 30-day period. Upon the physician's order, the Commissioner shall extend the suspension already imposed.

1. The attending physician shall determine the nature and extent of any medical examinations which a boxer, who is technically knocked out in a boxing match, must undergo as a pre-condition to entering the ring again. Any medical examinations which are ordered must be performed by a physician appointed by the State Athletic Control Board. The boxer shall not be permitted to enter the ring again until the medical examinations ordered by the attending physician have been completed and a physician appointed by the State Athletic Control Board has certified the boxer's fitness to engage in a boxing contest.

Amended by R.1986 d.302, effective July 21, 1986.
See: 18 N.J.R. 617(a), 18 N.J.R. 1484(a).

(b)1 added; old (c) deleted and new (c) added.

13:46-12.7 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 has submitted to a medical examination, of the type specified by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12.1(b), 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 has submitted to a medical examination of the type specified by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12.1(b), conducted by a physician appointed by the Commissioner.

13:46-12.8 Medical examination of judges and referees

(a) Annual medical examinations must be given to all licensed judges and referees by a physician appointed by the Commissioner and such examinations shall be of the same type and thoroughness as specified by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12.1(b).

(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. 13:46-12.2(a).

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

13:46-12.9 Inability to perform contract due to injury or illness

(a) Whenever a licensed boxer considers himself unable by reason of injury or illness to participate in a bout for which he is under contract, he shall immediately notify the Commissioner of this fact and, before entering the ring again, the boxer must submit to a medical examination performed by a physician appointed by the Commissioner of the type specified by N.J.A.C. 13:46-12.1(b).

(b) In the event that a boxer is treated for any serious injury or disabling illness, or has been hospitalized, by his personal physician for any reason, he or his manager shall immediately notify the Commissioner, who will refer the matter to a physician appointed by the Commissioner for review. The boxer, thereafter, must 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 an illness or injury to the Commissioner as required by (a) and (b) above shall be immediately suspended for an indefinite period.

13:46-12.10 Medical reports

(a) The physician appointed by the Commissioner shall make a detailed written record of each and every medical examination performed by him under this Subchapter, N.J.A.C. 13:46-12.1 et seq., 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 the boxer's complete medical history in his possession prior to the pre-fight examination.

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

13:46-12.11 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 be permitted to 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 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 suspension shall have his license revoked. Any licensed manager of a boxer on the suspension list who participates in a boxing contest shall have his license revoked. Any licensed promoter of a boxing show in which a boxer on the suspension list participates shall have his license revoked.

13:46-12.12 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 a boxing or wrestling show shall receive a fee of \$150.00.

(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.

New Rule, R.1987 d.386, effective September 21, 1987.
See: 19 N.J.R. 1179(b), 19 N.J.R. 1745(a).

13:46-12.13 Hygienic gloves for seconds, referees, ringside physicians and inspectors

(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 a 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 assigned duties during a boxing show, unless the Inspector is wearing the hygienic gloves specified in (b) above, except as the Commissioner in his discretion may authorize for Inspectors on certain assignments.

New Rule, R.1988 d.8, effective January 4, 1988.
See: 19 N.J.R. 1886(b), 20 N.J.R. 103(c).

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 10 percent of the gross receipts, a tax of five percent on any moneys received by reason of the lease or sale of television, moving picture or radio rights in connection with any such exhibition or performance.

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

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.

(b) Television station authorities must submit to the Commissioner any television agreement made with any boxing or wrestling promoter prior to televising the same.

13:46-13.5 Time for tax payment

The television tax must be paid the same night of a show. If by check, it must be separate.

13:46-13.6 Application

No person shall enter into any agreement whatsoever to televise a boxing, wrestling or sparring performance or exhibition, either for profit or for advertisement purposes, unless written application is submitted to the Commissioner and sanction obtained.

13:46-13.7 Announcements

Promoters shall submit announcements for television purposes to the representative of the Commissioner.

SUBCHAPTER 14. INSURANCE FOR BOXERS

13:46-14.1 Carried by promoter

Licensed boxing promoters must carry accident insurance covering all professional boxers competing in their clubs.

13:46-14.2 Premium payment

(a) Each licensed promoter shall be required to submit a full premium payment for boxer's insurance coverage at the same time that club contracts are filed, five days prior to a show, with the State Athletic Commission.

(b) Payment by check for the premium is to be made out in the name of the insurance company supplied by the Commissioner.

13:46-14.3 Coverage

(a) Insurance will cover professional boxers for medical, surgical and hospital care in excess of \$10.00 up to a total of \$500.00; dental expense limited to \$50.00; nose injuries, \$100.00.

(b) In the event of accidental death, \$5,000.00 will be paid to the estate of the deceased.

13:46-14.4 Cost of insurance

The cost of insurance is to be divided equally between the promoter and the boxers appearing in a final bout and semi-final bout or bouts of equal importance and of comparable compensation. This schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the Commissioner.

13:46-14.5 Compliance

No professional boxing show shall be approved in New Jersey unless the accident insurance plan is met with the fullest compliance.

SUBCHAPTER 15. TICKETS

13:46-15.1 Approved printer

Any promoter or person who holds a boxing, wrestling or sparring exhibition or performance must only use tickets obtained from a printer licensed and approved by the Commissioner.

13:46-15.2 Printer's license

(a) All licenses hereunder shall be for a period of one year unless sooner revoked for cause.

(b) At the time of the application for such license, the applicant shall execute and file with the Commissioner a bond to the State of New Jersey in the sum of \$10,000 in proper form and with sureties thereon satisfactory to the Commissioner, which bond shall be conditioned for compliance with the provision of the license.

(c) A printer's license fee shall be \$15.00 for a period of one year.

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

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

(a) deleted; (b)-(d) renumbered to (a)-(c).

13:46-15.3 Ticket form

Tickets shall be printed and made in such form as the Commissioner may prescribe.

13:46-15.4 Inventory

(a) Authorized printers shall send by mail to the Commission office, not less than seven days before a boxing show or wrestling exhibition for which the tickets have been printed, a sworn inventory of all tickets delivered to any club.

(b) The inventory shall account for any over prints, changes or extras.

(c) The inventory, or manifest, shall be in triplicate, two copies of which shall be supplied to the Commissioner.

13:46-15.5 Format of tickets according to price and complimentary tickets

(a) Tickets of different prices must be printed on cardboard of different colors.

(b) A promoter may issue complimentary tickets without charge to those receiving them. The promoter shall pay to the Commissioner the 10 percent tax required by N.J.S.A. 5:2-12 on all complimentary tickets issued, with the tax being calculated upon the price which would have been paid for each ticket if it had been sold. The tax shall not be paid, however, upon tickets issued without charge to:

1. Newspaper reporters, photographers, telegraphers, and radio and television announcers assigned to work by their recognized employers or supervisors, policemen and firemen in uniform and on duty, and persons of similar vocation who are admitted free to any club for the performance of special duties in connection with any event and whose special duties are the sole reason for their presence and free admission as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:46-15.11;

2. Persons in the established working press section having reservations as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:46-15.15; and

3. Actual employees as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:46-15.16.

As amended, R.1982 d.398, effective November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 971(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(b).

Amended section heading and deleted old and added new (b).

13:46-15.6 Price on ticket

Every ticket offered for sale shall have printed on its face the total price charged therefore and the maximum premium, not to exceed 20 percent of the ticket price or \$3.00 whichever is greater, plus taxes at which a ticket may be resold shall be printed either in a dollar amount or as a formula on the face or back of any ticket.

Amended by 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.398, effective November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 971(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(b).

Added complimentary tickets and 1.-3.
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.

13:46-15.7 Postponement

If a boxing, wrestling or sparring exhibition or performance is postponed for good reason, the Commissioner may give the promoter or permit holder permission to use the same set of tickets upon the new date set for said show.

13:46-15.8 Holding of tickets; time limits

(a) Tickets of every description used for any boxing match or wrestling exhibition must be held by the promoters for six months.

(b) Such tickets may be destroyed after they have been held for at least 30 days after a written application has been filed with the Commission and written permission received for the destruction of such tickets.

(c) Such tickets must be kept in separate packages for each show in order that a recheck or recount can be made at any time by the Commission.

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

Text "a period not to exceed" deleted.

13:46-15.9 Exchange, redemption of ticket

No exchange of tickets shall be made except at the box office, and no ticket shall be redeemed after the show has taken place.

13:46-15.10 Accounting

All tickets for a boxing show or wrestling exhibition must be accounted for on the day or night of the show or exhibition and are liable to tax if not accounted for.

13:46-15.11 Free admission

Newspaper reporters, photographers, telegraphers and radio and television announcers assigned to work by their recognized employers or superiors, policemen and firemen in uniform and on duty, and persons of similar vocation who are admitted free for the performance of special duties in connection with any event and whose special duties are the sole reason for their presence and free admission, are not liable for any tax on admission.

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

Deleted text "to any club".

13:46-15.12 Ticket exemptions

(a) Tickets or passes shall be provided by the promoter for principals and seconds who are engaged in a boxing show.

(b) Any promoter admitting any person other than those specifically exempted without a ticket is subject to a penalty deemed proper by the Commissioner under the circumstances.

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

Added text "or passes" and substituted "promoter" for "club".

13:46-15.13 Irregularities

(a) In all cases where it is reported by an inspector that a promoter has made an incorrect statement of its gate receipts, or has used tickets not appearing on the statement required by the rules of the Commission, or by any mistake or subterfuge as to reduce the amount of tax under the law, the promoter shall be called before the Commission and upon the failure to make a prompt and satisfactory explanation and adjustment the promoter's license shall be revoked.

(b) Reports on any such irregularities must be made immediately, and in writing, by the State inspector.

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

13:46-15.14 Ticket stub

Under no circumstances shall a ticket holder be passed through the gate without having the ticket separated from the stub, or be allowed to occupy a seat unless in possession of the ticket stub.

13:46-15.15 Press tickets

All tickets issued to the working press shall be so marked and there may be no more issued than there are reservations in the established working press section.

13:46-15.16 Employee tickets

All employee tickets shall be marked "employees" and may be used by none except actual employees.

13:46-15.17 Issuance of undeclared tickets

No tickets of admission to any boxing or wrestling show shall be sold except the tickets declared on an official ticket manifest, supplied to the State Athletic Commission by the official licensed ticket printer.

As amended, R.1982 d.398, effective November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 971(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(b).
Deleted (b).

13:46-15.18 (Reserved)

As amended, R.1982 d.398, effective November 1, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 971(b), 14 N.J.R. 1220(b).
Deleted "offered for sale".
Repealed by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Section was "Advertisement on ticket".

SUBCHAPTER 16. DOORMEN AND BOX OFFICE EMPLOYEES

13:46-16.1 Doormen and box office employees

(a) Doormen for boxing and wrestling exhibitions shall be appointed, licensed and assigned by the Commissioner.

(b) Box office employees employed at boxing or wrestling shows shall be appointed by the promoter and licensed and assigned by the State Athletic Commissioner.

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 text substituted.

13:46-16.2 Separation

The employment duties of doormen and box office employees are not interchangeable. Those employed as doormen shall not be licensed as box office employees.

Amended by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Old section was "Separate licenses".

13:46-16.3 Supervision

Doormen and box office employees shall be supervised by Commission representatives.

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 shall be held responsible for any lack of cooperation".

SUBCHAPTER 17. AMATEUR (AAU) BOXING

13:46-17.1 Conduct; approval

(a) Amateur ABF boxing shall be conducted under the direction and rules of the Amateur Boxing Federation.

(b) The New Jersey State Athletic Commission must approve each show prior to the staging of same.

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

"ABF" substituted for "AAU" and "Boxing Federation" substituted for "Athletic Union".

13:46-17.2 Tickets

Tickets for amateur ABF boxing shows must be printed by printers licensed and authorized by the New Jersey Athletic Commission.

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

13:46-17.3 Inspector

The Commissioner shall assign an inspector to each ABF show. The inspector shall collect the State Tax and shall work closely with the ABF clerk.

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

13:46-17.4 Safety precautions

The inspector must not permit an amateur ABF boxing show to proceed unless there is a doctor in attendance at ringside and an ambulance available and all safety precautions are strictly adhered to in accordance with the rules and regulations of this Chapter.

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.

13:46-17.5 Physicians' compensation

Physicians at ABF shows shall be compensated by the ABF clubs unless their services are donated.

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

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

"ABF" substituted for "AAU".

13:46-17.6 Boxing in conjunction with other entertainments

No amateur boxing contest shall be held in conjunction with vaudeville shows, motion pictures, television shows, dances or entertainments of any sort without prior approval of the State Athletic Commissioner.

13:46-17.7 Amateur boxing in conjunction with professional contests

No amateur boxing contest shall be conducted in connection with any professional boxing or wrestling show unless written permission to do so is obtained in advance from the Commissioner, and the amateur association of which the competing amateur boxers are registered members.

13:46-17.8 Permit; ABF sanction

No permit will be granted for the purpose of holding amateur contests unless request for such permit is accompanied by sanction of the ABF.

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

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

"ABF" substituted for "AAU".

13:46-17.9 (Reserved)

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

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

Originally "Sale of tickets for minor contestants".

SUBCHAPTER 18. PROMOTERS**13:46-18.1 General responsibility**

A licensed promoter will be held responsible for any failure to adhere to or enforce the rules and regulations of the New Jersey Athletic Commission.

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

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

Added text "to adhere to or enforce" deleted "in adhering to or enforcement of".

13:46-18.2 Dealings with unlicensed managers

Any boxing promoter who deals with an unlicensed manager may have his license revoked or suspended and he may be subject to such fine as the Commissioner may determine.

13:46-18.3 Non-use of license

If a promoter has been granted a license for boxing or wrestling shows and the promoter does not hold a boxing or wrestling show for a period of 90 days, the license of said promoter 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).

"90" days substituted for "60".

13:46-18.4 Intermissions

Promoters shall not permit intermissions at boxing or wrestling shows to exceed five minutes subject to the approval of the Commissioner or his agent.

13:46-18.5 Closing hour of shows

All professional boxing and wrestling shows must be terminated at 11:00 P.M. unless permission is obtained from the Commissioner or his representative.

13:46-18.6 (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 "Dealings with unlicensed persons".

13:46-18.7 Dealings with persons under suspension

Promoters and their matchmakers shall take notice of suspensions and shall not permit any person under suspension to take any part whatsoever as a participant, or in arranging or conducting matches, or work during the period of suspension.

13:46-18.8 Grounds for suspension of license

A license of any promoter shall be suspended for an arrest for or revoked on a conviction of any offense in this or any other jurisdiction which would be under New Jersey law a crime of moral turpitude or any other offenses which indicates that licensure would be inimical to the conduct of the sport of boxing in this State. An application for a license or renewal thereof shall be denied by the Commission for the same reasons.

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 text substituted.

13:46-18.9 Maintenance of order; responsibility

(a) Promoters will be held responsible for maintaining order, and any person who is intoxicated, abusive or disorderly in conduct, to the annoyance of surrounding spectators, must be ejected.

(b) Promoters must supply adequate security services to ensure that order may be maintained and all laws and regulations enforced.

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

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

"Promoters" substituted for "clubs".

13:46-18.10 Minimum schedule of rounds per program

Promoters shall not schedule less than 28 rounds of boxing for any one program unless permission is granted by the Commissioner.

As amended, R.1971 d.230, effective December 30, 1971.
 See: 3 N.J.R. 272(a), 4 N.J.R. 29(a).
 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.

13:46-18.11 Time of main event

(a) Promoters shall strive to start the main event of a boxing show not later than 10:00 P.M.

(b) If the semi-final or other advertised bouts have not been held they shall be put on after the main bout.

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

13:46-18.12 Filing of boxing contracts; secret agreements

(a) Copies of all boxing contracts must be filed with the office of the State Athletic Commissioner. For the main bout, contracts shall be filed 30 days in advance of the contest or at such times as shall be determined at the discretion of the Commissioner. For undercard bouts, contracts shall be filed five days in advance of the contest or at such times as shall be determined at the discretion of the Commissioner.

(b) The making of secret agreements contrary to the terms of the contracts so filed is prohibited under penalty of suspension of all parties thereto.

As amended, R.1982 d.271, eff. August 16, 1982.
 See: 14 N.J.R. 635(b), 14 N.J.R. 919(a).

Repealed filing of boxing contracts and secret agreements.
 New Rule, R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
 See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).

13:46-18.13 Program under auspices of charitable organization

(a) No person, club, corporation or organization will be permitted to conduct any boxing or wrestling program under the auspices of or in conjunction with any charitable organization unless such promoting person, club, corporation or organization submits to the Commissioner or his designated agent a certified agreement between and among all parties subject thereto setting forth the terms and conditions of said program, and receives approval from the Commissioner or his designated agent.

(b) Upon approval, within seven days after the show, the person, club, corporation or organization holding the same shall furnish to the Commissioner an itemized statement certified by all parties subject thereto, of the receipts and expenditures in connection with the show and the net amount paid to the charitable fund or organization.

13:46-18.14 Press room

At any professional boxing program, the licensed promoter shall provide a special room where, members of the working press, radio and television broadcasters and photographers may have access to information about the program.

R.1970 d.2, eff. Jan. 5, 1970.
 See: 1 N.J.R. 23(a), 2 N.J.R. 19(a).
 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.

13:46-18.15 Exclusivity and reservation of dates

(a) The Commission shall permit no more than one boxing program on any day within a 20-mile radius of the site of that program. Nevertheless, the Commissioner may permit more than one such program within the specified geographical area during a particular day under circumstances indicating to his satisfaction that the programs will not unduly compete with each other for the same audience. In determining whether the programs will not unduly compete with each other the Commission shall consider the location of each program, the identity, number and ranking of the participants and whether either of the programs will be televised.

(b) A licensed promoter may reserve a date for a boxing program as follows:

1. He may tentatively reserve a date by submitting to the Commission in writing form (letter, telegram, telex, and so forth) the names of the fighters for the main event contest, the date and time of the contest and the city where the contest is to occur.

2. Within five business days of forwarding to the Commissioner the written communication tentatively reserving the date, the promoter shall confirm with the Commission the site of the bout and shall submit to the Commission signed contracts of the boxers for the main event or telegraphic acceptance of the contract by the boxers or their respective managers. The promoter may also submit evidence of a commitment to televise a boxing program which the Commission in its discretion may accept in lieu of signed contracts or telegraphic acceptance as the basis for a final reservation of the date provided the signed contracts of the boxers are submitted within a two week period prior to holding of the program.

3. Upon the promoter's complying with the foregoing requirements, the Commission shall finally reserve the date, time and site location by issuing a permit to the promoter.

4. With respect to programs scheduled for Saturdays and Sundays, a promoter may tentatively and finally reserve not more than three days within a three-month period, unless special application is made to the Commissioner. The Commissioner in his discretion may permit reservation of more than three such dates upon condition that a forfeiture fee of not more than \$10,000 for each bout in excess of three is posted with the Commission within 45 days of each of those scheduled bouts. In the event that any date is not utilized by the promoter and a forfeiture fee has been posted, such fee shall be refunded to the promoter if the date was relinquished by the promoter at least 31 days before the main event.

5. A promoter may not reserve the same day of the week in the same municipality for a period greater than three months.

As amended, R.1982 d.271, eff. August 16, 1982.

See: 14 N.J.R. 635(b), 14 N.J.R. 919(a).

Deleted old text and replaced with new text.

Amended by R.1985 d.19, effective February 4, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 1030(a), 17 N.J.R. 314(b).

Substantially amended.

13:46-18.16 Posting security for ticket refunds

Licensed promoters shall post with the Commissioner a surety bond in such amount and for such time as shall be determined by the Commissioner for payments by said licensed promoter at the box office to patrons who apply for refunds on tickets already purchased when an advertised boxing program as scheduled is cancelled or postponed, except when the main contest is to be held on a scheduled rainout date indicated on the ticket.

R.1971 d.227, eff. Dec. 30, 1971.

See: 3 N.J.R. 272(c), 4 N.J.R. 28(c).

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

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

Deleted "or certified check".

13:46-18.17 Public announcements or advertisements of bouts

No licensed boxing promoter, matchmaker, manager or boxer may publicly announce or advertise that any bout or exhibition will take place unless such bout or exhibition has been formally approved by the office of the State Athletic Commissioner.

R.1971 d.231, Dec. 30, 1971.

See: 3 N.J.R. 271(b), 4 N.J.R. 29(c).

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

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

"Or" substituted for "of".

13:46-18.18 Filing period for promoter's contract

All contracts between licensed boxing promoters and boxers or managers of boxers affecting or calling for the service of a boxer shall be filed with the office of the State Athletic Commissioner by such licensed boxing promoter within 48 hours after the execution of such a contract.

As amended, R.1982 d.271, eff. August 16, 1982.

See: 14 N.J.R. 635(b), 14 N.J.R. 919(a).

Repealed filing period for promoter's contract.

New Rule, R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.

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

13:46-18.19 (Reserved)

R.1972 d.43, eff. Mar. 2, 1972.

See: 4 N.J.R. 27(e), 4 N.J.R. 76(a).

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

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

Originally "Posting of surety bond or certified check".

SUBCHAPTER 19. MATCHMAKERS

13:46-19.1 Observance of rules

Matchmakers must observe all the rules and requirements with respect to weight agreements, weighing-in and the proper execution and filing of contracts and advance notices.

13:46-19.2 Approval of boxing match by Commissioner

Before approving any boxing bout or match, the Commissioner will inquire into the relative merits of the contestants, their past records, and whether or not they are suitable opponents. The Commissioner shall have the right to disapprove any match or bout on the ground that it is not in the best interest of boxing or of the health of either of the contestants.

Repealed and replaced by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1985.

See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

13:46-19.3 Dealings with unlicensed manager

Any matchmaker who deals with an unlicensed manager may have his license revoked or suspended and he may be subject to such fine as the Commissioner may determine.

13:46-19.4 (Reserved)

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

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

Originally "Dealings with Unlicensed Persons".

13:46-19.5 Dealings with persons under suspension

Matchmakers shall take notice of the suspension bulletins sent out by the Commissioner and shall not permit any person under suspension to take any part whatsoever in any match or in the planning of any match.

13:46-19.6 Grounds for suspension of license

A license of any matchmaker shall be suspended for an arrest for or revoked on a conviction of any offense in this or any other jurisdiction which would be under New Jersey law a crime of moral turpitude or any other offense which indicates that licensure would be inimical to the conduct of the sport of boxing in this State. An application for a license or renewal thereof shall be denied by the Commissioner for the same reasons.

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.

13:46-19.7 Submission of names and addresses of contestants

True names, aliases and addresses of all contestants signed to appear on a boxing show must be submitted to the Commissioner by the matchmaker at least ten days in advance of the date of the show, unless unavoidable circumstances prevent compliance.

13:46-19.8 (Reserved)

Repealed by R.1985 d.284, effective June 3, 1985.
See: 16 N.J.R. 2962(a), 17 N.J.R. 1432(a).
Originally "Matches for one club only".

SUBCHAPTER 20. WRESTLING**13:46-20.1 Entertainment events**

(a) Until and unless specifically ordered by the State Athletic Commissioner, all professional wrestling performances in New Jersey shall be considered strictly exhibition and as entertainment and no promoter shall willfully advertise his events to the contrary.

(b) No champions or championship may be advertised as such without similar official approval.

Case Notes

Boxing and wrestling media rights tax is not subject to apportionment and does not violate commerce clause. Titan Sports, Inc. v. State Athletic Control Bd., 12 N.J.Tax 214 (1992).

Box and wrestling media rights tax did not restrict professional wrestling promoter's First Amendment speech rights. Titan Sports, Inc. v. State Athletic Control Bd., 12 N.J.Tax 214 (1992).

Even if boxing and wrestling media rights tax restricted professional wrestling promoter's First Amendment speech rights, taxes imposed were less than cost of regulating wrestling. Titan Sports, Inc. v. State Athletic Control Bd., 12 N.J.Tax 214 (1992).

Maryland cable operators were solely responsible for Maryland tax on ticket sales and broadcasts of professional wrestling exhibitions originating in Maryland. Titan Sports, Inc. v. State Athletic Control Bd., 12 N.J.Tax 214 (1992).

13:46-20.2 Age limit

(a) No wrestler's license shall be issued to any person who is under 18 years of age.

(b) No person over the age of 45 shall be granted a license to participate in any professional wrestling match or exhibition.

13:46-20.3 Proof of identity

Every applicant for a wrestler's license shall furnish positive proof that he is the person he represents himself to be.

13:46-20.4 Physical and mental examination

(a) Any wrestler applying for a license must first be examined by a physician who has been licensed by the Commission as an examining physician to establish both physical and mental fitness for competition.

(b) Every wrestler applying for a license must submit a cardiogram annually to the Commissioner.

(c) The Commission may require an applicant or licensee to undergo any other medical tests the Commission deems necessary.

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

(c) added.

13:46-20.5 Disability

No wrestler shall be permitted to wrestle who is suffering from any disability, physical, functional or organic, which will interfere with or prevent him from giving a full, complete and satisfactory exhibition.

13:46-20.6 Tape on body

No wrestler shall be permitted to tape his hands, arm or any part of his body without the consent of the ringside physician.

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".

13:46-20.7 Wrestling at one location per night

(a) No wrestler shall wrestle at more than one location on the same night unless he receives special permission from the Commissioner.

(b) No booking agent shall contract for the services of any wrestler at more than one location on the same day unless he receives special permission from the Commissioner.

(c) No promoter shall book or advertise a wrestler who he knows has been booked to wrestle at another location on the same night.

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.

13:46-20.8 Certified notice

At least seven days before any wrestling show, the promoter shall furnish the Commission with an advanced signed certified notice of the participants, giving the true and ring names of the wrestlers.

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

"Promoter" substituted for "booking office".

13:46-20.9 Non-appearance

(a) Wrestlers must appear as booked or submit written testimony from physicians if they are ill or injured.

(b) Non-appearance without a medical certificate notice shall be grounds for a penalty by a fine or suspension or both.

(c) The Commissioner shall set the amount of fine and time 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).

"for the first . . . subsequent violations" deleted and "or suspension or both" added.

13:46-20.10 License for women

The issuance of a license to women for the purpose of engaging in wrestling in New Jersey shall be permitted only with the sanction and approval of the Commissioner.

13:46-20.11 Ring covering

Any mat or padding and canvas covering which has been used for boxing matches shall not be used for wrestling exhibitions until the mat or the canvas covering has been washed and is free from resin.

13:46-20.12 Safety equipment

The professional boxing rules governing the size, construction and safety equipment of boxing rings shall apply to wrestling rings except that there shall be three strands of ring rope in wrestling rings and the Commissioner may allow variance from rules when necessary due to the different nature of the sports.

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

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

Added text "except that there . . . nature of the sports".

13:46-20.13 Removal for physical reason

When wrestling booking offices know that a wrestler must be removed from a card for any physical reason, the Commission shall be notified immediately. Any failure to observe this Section shall result in a fine regardless of excuse.

13:46-20.14 (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 "Payment of fines".

13:46-20.15 Physicians

Physicians assigned to wrestling shows shall thoroughly examine wrestlers prior to same and remain at ringside until completion of the shows.

13:46-20.16 Activity confined to ring and ring apron

(a) Wrestlers must confine their action to the ring and ring apron.

(b) Any wrestler leaving the ring during the course of the exhibition shall be subject to fine or suspension or both at the Commissioner's discretion.

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

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

Added text "or both".

13:46-20.17 Rest period

Wrestlers shall be allowed a five minute rest period between falls if the exhibition provides for two out of three falls.

13:46-20.18 License

(a) Every wrestling promoter shall obtain a license from the New Jersey Athletic Commission.

(b) The fee for the license shall be \$50.00 and shall be valid on a fiscal year basis.

(c) No booking agent shall supply any New Jersey promoter with any wrestling talent without first obtaining a license.

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.

Case Notes

Suspension of promoter's license for nonpayment of tax on income from lease or sale of media rights did not violate due process. Titan Sports, Inc. v. State Athletic Control Bd., 11 N.J.Tax 259 (1990).

13:46-20.19 Costume

(a) No wrestler is to perform in any exhibition in a New Jersey ring until his costume is approved the night of the show by an inspector, or representative assigned from the State Athletic Commission.

(b) Any costume which is considered in poor taste, offensive, or controversial in nature will be prohibited.

13:46-20.20 Dealing with unlicensed promoter

No wrestling booking agent shall deal with any unlicensed promoter in contracting for a wrestling show, or first verifying whether such party is licensed by the State Athletic Commissioner.

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

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

"Agent" substituted for "office".

SUBCHAPTER 21. WRESTLING REFEREES**13:46-21.1 Appointment and assignment**

Referees for wrestling exhibitions shall be appointed and assigned by the Commissioner.

13:46-21.2 Compensation for wrestling referees

(a) For wrestling shows to which only one referee is assigned, the compensation to the referee 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 \$2,500, the fee for the referee shall be \$125.00.

2. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$2,500 and \$5,000, the fee for the referee shall be \$150.00.

3. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$5,000 and \$10,000, the fee for the referee shall be \$225.00.

4. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$10,000 and \$15,000, the fee for the referee shall be \$300.00.

5. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$15,000 and \$25,000, the fee for the referee shall be \$375.00.

6. When the gross gate receipts of the show are in excess of \$25,000, the fee for the referee shall be \$450.00.

(b) For wrestling shows to which more than one referee is assigned, the compensation to each of the referees shall be paid by the promoter and shall be on the following basis:

1. When the gross gate receipts of the show do not exceed \$2,500, the fee for each of the referees shall be \$75.00.

2. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$2,500 and \$5,000, the fee for each of the referees shall be \$100.00.

3. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$5,000 and \$10,000, the fee for each of the referees shall be \$150.00.

4. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$10,000 and \$15,000, the fee for each of the referees shall be \$200.00.

5. When the gross gate receipts of the show are between \$15,000 and \$25,000, the fee for each of the referees shall be \$250.00.

6. When the gross gate receipts of the show are in excess of \$25,000, the fee for each of the referees shall be \$300.00.

(c) In the event one of the referees assigned to a wrestling show becomes incapacitated, or in an emergency situation where only one of the referees assigned to the show is available, the remaining referee shall referee the remaining contests on 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 (b) above. In such a situation, the compensation to be paid to the incapacitated or unavailable referee shall be reduced accordingly.

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

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

Deleted (a) and (b); new (a) added and (b)-1.-11. and now (a)1.-11.

Amended by R.1987 d.49, effective January 20, 1987.

See: 18 N.J.R. 1790(a), 19 N.J.R. 233(c).

Substantially amended.

13:46-21.3 Chief official

The referee shall be the chief official of every wrestling exhibition and shall remain in the ring during the entire time of said exhibition.

13:46-21.4 Leaving ring

The referee of a wrestling exhibition shall not leave the ring until all of the wrestlers have left the ring.

13:46-21.5 Report

Each wrestling referee shall make a written report to the Commissioner of any contest which he referees where there has been a disregard of the rules. The 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).

Substantially amended.

13:46-21.6 Payment of referees

Promoters shall not make payment directly to wrestling referees. The promoter shall write a check to the State of New Jersey in an amount determined by the Chief Inspector. The check shall be given to the Chief Inspector at the exhibition and forwarded to the Commission by the Chief Inspector. The funds will be disbursed by the Commission to the referees based upon the payroll composed by the inspectors.

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

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

Old section deleted and new text substituted.

13:46-21.7 Cardiograms

Referees must submit cardiograms at license renewal time each year.

13:46-21.8 Apparel

Apparel required for wrestling referees shall consist of blue shirt, black trousers, black bow tie and black shoes.

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.

13:46-21.9 Use of physician

The referee of a wrestling exhibition may call the assigned physician to the ring whenever an injury to a wrestler requires a decision on whether or not said wrestler should be permitted to continue.

13:46-21.10 Disqualifying wrestlers

Wrestling referees shall disqualify wrestlers who persist in violating rules of decency, propriety, good sportsmanship or are offensive to the public interest.

SUBCHAPTER 22. HEARINGS AND SUBPOENA OF WITNESSES
13:46-22.1 Investigations and hearings held by Commissioner

(a) The Commissioner or any agent designated by him may make investigations and the Commissioner may hold hearings and issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses.

(b) The Commissioner also may order the production of books, papers or records needed for any hearing.

(c) When the hearing takes place the Commissioner may administer oaths to and examine any witnesses for the purpose of determining the question for which the hearing has been called.

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

13:46-22.2 Failure to obey; fine

(a) Any person who shall willfully fail to obey any subpoena by the Commissioner or to answer truthfully such questions as may be asked of him by the Commissioner shall, in addition to any other penalties which may be prescribed by law, be liable to a fine of \$100.00.

(b) No witness shall be compelled to answer any question which will incriminate him.

13:46-22.3 Functions of Commissioner

(a) The Commissioner shall have and exercise sole direction, management, control and supervision over all boxing matches or wrestling and sparring exhibitions and performances.

(b) The Commissioner may make and enforce such rules and regulations as shall be necessary or proper for the holding of boxing matches or wrestling or sparring exhibitions.

(c) It is the Commissioner's power to prescribe and enforce penalties for any violations.

SUBCHAPTER 23. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT
13:46-23.1 Interest in athlete prohibited

No officer, employee or appointee of the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner, including referees, judges, in-

spectors, 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 boxer or wrestler licensed by the Office of the State Athletic Commissioner.

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.

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).

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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 maintain 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.