

CHAPTER 46

RULES GOVERNING BOXING, EXTREME WRESTLING AND SPARRING EXHIBITIONS AND PERFORMANCES

Authority

N.J.S.A. 5:2A-4, 5:2A-7c and g, 5:2A-8b, 5:2A-9, 5:2A-14b, 5:2A-14.1, 5:2A-15e and f, and 5:2A:21.

Source and Effective Date

R.2000 d.319, effective July 12, 2000.
See: 32 N.J.R. 1495(a), 32 N.J.R. 2909(a).

Executive Order No. 66(1978) Expiration Date

Chapter 46, Rules Governing Boxing, Extreme Wrestling and Sparring Exhibitions and Performances, expires on July 12, 2005.

Chapter Historical Note

Chapter 46, Rules Governing Boxing, Wrestling and Sparring Exhibitions and Performances, was filed and became effective prior to September 1, 1969.

Subchapter 2, Ring Equipment, Subchapter 3, Ring Safety, Subchapter 7, Seconds, and Subchapter 12, Physicians, were repealed and Subchapter 2, Ring Equipment and Safety Requirements, Subchapter 3, Boxing Equipment and Safety Requirements, Subchapter 7, Seconds, and Subchapter 12, Rules to Safeguard Health, were adopted as new rules by R.1984 d.611, effective January 7, 1985. See: 16 N.J.R. 2241(a), 17 N.J.R. 103(a).

Subchapter 23, Standards of Conduct, was adopted by R.1985 d.164, effective April 1, 1985. See: 17 N.J.R. 55(a), 17 N.J.R. 837(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 46, Rules Governing Boxing, Wrestling and Sparring Exhibitions and Performances, expired on June 3, 1990.

Chapter 46, Rules Governing Boxing, Wrestling and Sparring Exhibitions and Performances, was adopted as new rules by R.1990 d.454, effective September 4, 1990. See: 22 N.J.R. 1231(a), 22 N.J.R. 2748(a).

Subchapter 23A, Gifts, Outside Activities, Lodging, Work Space, was adopted as R.1993 d.460, effective September 20, 1993. See: 24 N.J.R. 4489(a), 25 N.J.R. 4499(b).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 46, Rules Governing Boxing, Wrestling and Sparring Exhibitions and Performances, was readopted as R.1995 d.458, effective July 28, 1995. See: 27 N.J.R. 2096(a), 27 N.J.R. 3201(a).

Subchapter 8A, Rules for Championship Matches, was adopted as R.1999 d.102, effective April 5, 1999. See: 30 N.J.R. 997(a), 31 N.J.R. 882(b).

Subchapter 12, Rules to Safeguard Health, was repealed, and Subchapter 12A, Uniform Medical Requirements, and Subchapter 12B, Additional Health and Safety Rules, were adopted by R.1999 d.103, effective April 5, 1999. See: 30 N.J.R. 2160(a), 31 N.J.R. 883(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 46, Rules Governing Boxing, Wrestling and Sparring Exhibitions, was readopted as R.2000 d.319, effective July 12, 2000. See: Source and Effective Date.

Law Review and Journal Commentaries

In the Aftermath of McClellan: Isn't it Time for the Sport of Boxing to Protect Its Participants? Ross Rosen, 5 Seton Hall J. Sport L. 611 (1995).

CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS

SUBCHAPTER 1. DEFINITIONS

13:46-1.1 Definitions

SUBCHAPTER 1A. BOXING WEIGHTS AND CLASSES

13:46-1A.1 Classes of boxers
13:46-1A.2 Weight differences of contestants
13:46-1A.3 Weighing of boxers
13:46-1A.4 Scales

SUBCHAPTER 2. RING EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

13:46-2.1 Approval of premises for boxing
13:46-2.2 Duty to safeguard premises
13:46-2.3 Sale of intoxicating liquors at boxing shows
13:46-2.4 Inspection of training quarters
13:46-2.5 Ring dimensions; floor covering; safety features
13:46-2.6 Stools and/or chairs
13:46-2.7 Ring to be clear of obstructions
13:46-2.8 Emergency medical facilities and equipment
13:46-2.9 Round cards

SUBCHAPTER 3. BOXING EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

13:46-3.1 Specifications for bandages on boxer's hands
13:46-3.2 Condition and size of gloves
13:46-3.3 Placement of gloves on boxer's hands
13:46-3.4 Abdominal guard
13:46-3.5 Mouth pieces
13:46-3.6 Boxer's trunks
13:46-3.7 Types of shoes barred from ring
13:46-3.8 Cleanly shaven
13:46-3.9 Other boxing equipment
13:46-3.10 Chest protector for women contestants

SUBCHAPTER 4. LICENSING AND PERMITS

13:46-4.1 General licensing requirement
13:46-4.2 Application
13:46-4.3 Examination
13:46-4.4 List of associated persons
13:46-4.5 Building Inspector's certificate
13:46-4.6 (Reserved)
13:46-4.7 Term of licenses
13:46-4.8 Bond procedure
13:46-4.9 Documents
13:46-4.10 Matchmaker
13:46-4.11 Payment with application
13:46-4.12 Substitute promoter
13:46-4.13 (Reserved)
13:46-4.14 Procedures for licensure
13:46-4.15 Sale or transfer of license prohibited
13:46-4.16 Forms provided
13:46-4.17 through 13:46-4.18 (Reserved)
13:46-4.19 Promoter responsibility
13:46-4.20 (Reserved)
13:46-4.21 Application for permit
13:46-4.22 (Reserved)
13:46-4.23 Permits in writing
13:46-4.24 Guarantee
13:46-4.25 License fees
13:46-4.26 Lost license; duplicate

- 13:46-4.27 Criteria for license issuance to promoters
- 13:46-4.28 (Reserved)
- 13:46-4.29 Co-promoter
- 13:46-4.30 through 13:46-4.34 (Reserved)
- 13:46-4.35 Fingerprinting of applicants for licenses
- 13:46-4.36 Refund of license fees

SUBCHAPTER 5. BOXERS

- 13:46-5.1 (Reserved)
- 13:46-5.2 Age
- 13:46-5.3 Boxer as self manager
- 13:46-5.4 First appearance; proof of age and identity
- 13:46-5.5 Boxer-manager contract forms
- 13:46-5.6 Boxer-manager contracts; time of effectiveness
- 13:46-5.7 Release from contract
- 13:46-5.8 Parties to contract to be licensed
- 13:46-5.9 (Reserved)
- 13:46-5.10 Club contract
- 13:46-5.11 Payment to boxer
- 13:46-5.12 Failure to appear for weigh-in
- 13:46-5.13 Failure to appear for bout
- 13:46-5.14 (Reserved)
- 13:46-5.15 Failure to give satisfactory performance
- 13:46-5.16 Forfeit fees
- 13:46-5.17 Boxer with suspended manager
- 13:46-5.18 (Reserved)
- 13:46-5.19 Age limitations on rounds of boxing
- 13:46-5.20 Number of rounds
- 13:46-5.21 Fouls
- 13:46-5.22 (Reserved)
- 13:46-5.23 Time between bouts
- 13:46-5.24 through 13:46-5.26 (Reserved)
- 13:46-5.27 Disqualification of boxer
- 13:46-5.28 Contest stopped prematurely
- 13:46-5.29 Resident license
- 13:46-5.30 (Reserved)
- 13:46-5.31 Grounds for suspension of license
- 13:46-5.32 First appearance; number of rounds

SUBCHAPTER 6. MANAGERS

- 13:46-6.1 General qualifications
- 13:46-6.2 Working in a boxer's corner
- 13:46-6.3 Loss of license by manager
- 13:46-6.4 Manager's percentage of ring earnings
- 13:46-6.5 Failure to sign club contract
- 13:46-6.6 Manager under suspension
- 13:46-6.7 Number of boxers with same manager in one show
- 13:46-6.8 (Reserved)
- 13:46-6.9 Acceptance by manager
- 13:46-6.10 License for promoter deals
- 13:46-6.11 License to schedule match
- 13:46-6.12 Manager representing manager
- 13:46-6.13 Number of managers per boxer
- 13:46-6.14 Manager attempting to take another manager's boxer
- 13:46-6.15 Transfer of manager-boxer contract
- 13:46-6.16 Aid for injured boxer
- 13:46-6.17 Advertising on person of manager
- 13:46-6.18 Grounds for suspension of license
- 13:46-6.19 Giving incorrect information on application
- 13:46-6.20 Manager supplying unfit boxers
- 13:46-6.21 Application for boxing manager's license

SUBCHAPTER 7. SECONDS

- 13:46-7.1 Licensing and training standards for seconds
- 13:46-7.2 Number of seconds
- 13:46-7.3 Conduct of seconds
- 13:46-7.4 Equipment subject to inspection
- 13:46-7.5 Items permitted in the boxer's corner
- 13:46-7.6 Excessive spraying of water on boxers
- 13:46-7.7 Penalties for violations
- 13:46-7.8 Second acting as manager
- 13:46-7.9 Aid to an injured boxer

- 13:46-7.10 Advertising on persons of second
- 13:46-7.11 Termination of boxer's performance

SUBCHAPTER 8. BOXING REFEREES AND JUDGES

- 13:46-8.1 Selection and assignment
- 13:46-8.2 Chief ring official
- 13:46-8.3 Reporting for duty; number per show; restrictions
- 13:46-8.4 (Reserved)
- 13:46-8.5 Apparel
- 13:46-8.6 (Reserved)
- 13:46-8.7 Chief second's responsibility
- 13:46-8.8 Mid-ring instructions
- 13:46-8.9 Persons in ring during round
- 13:46-8.10 Knockdown of contestant; count
- 13:46-8.11 Knockout of contestant; count
- 13:46-8.12 End of round knockout
- 13:46-8.13 Touching boxers; "break"
- 13:46-8.14 Mandatory eight count; stopping a bout
- 13:46-8.15 Failure to answer bell
- 13:46-8.16 Inspection of gloves
- 13:46-8.17 Knocked down construed
- 13:46-8.18 Failure to compete
- 13:46-8.19 Point system scoring
- 13:46-8.20 10 point majority scoring system
- 13:46-8.21 Boxer fallen or knocked through ropes, return unassisted
- 13:46-8.22 Referee to forbid fouls
- 13:46-8.23 Low blow foul rule
- 13:46-8.24 Referee's report of disregard of rules
- 13:46-8.25 Compensation for boxing referees and judges
- 13:46-8.26 Verbal or physical abuse of referee or judge
- 13:46-8.27 Low blow; referee's notice
- 13:46-8.28 Knocked out boxer; treatment by physician
- 13:46-8.29 Persistent fouling
- 13:46-8.30 Change of decision by Commissioner
- 13:46-8.31 through 13:46-8.32 (Reserved)
- 13:46-8.33 Substitution of judge
- 13:46-8.34 (Reserved)
- 13:46-8.35 Incapacitation of referee

SUBCHAPTER 8A. RULES FOR CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

- 13:46-8A.1 Applicability
- 13:46-8A.2 Duration
- 13:46-8A.3 Referee sole arbiter
- 13:46-8A.4 Scoring
- 13:46-8A.5 Effect of intentional fouls
- 13:46-8A.6 Effect of injury due to accidental or unintentional foul
- 13:46-8A.7 Mouthpieces; involuntary dislodging
- 13:46-8A.8 Mandatory eight count
- 13:46-8A.9 No standing eight count
- 13:46-8A.10 No three knockdown rule
- 13:46-8A.11 No saving by the bell
- 13:46-8A.12 Boxer knocked through the ropes

SUBCHAPTER 9. INSPECTORS

- 13:46-9.1 Qualification and duties
- 13:46-9.2 Attendance at weigh-in
- 13:46-9.3 Report; payment of taxes and fees
- 13:46-9.4 Receipt book
- 13:46-9.5 Forwarding of scorecards
- 13:46-9.6 Payment of referees, judges, timekeepers, announcers, and physicians
- 13:46-9.7 Check of substitute boxers
- 13:46-9.8 through 13:46-9.9 (Reserved)
- 13:46-9.10 Check of lock boxes
- 13:46-9.11 Special reports on performances
- 13:46-9.12 Special reports on injuries
- 13:46-9.13 Check of seconds' compliance with rules
- 13:46-9.14 Assure enforcement of regulations
- 13:46-9.15 Report of injuries covered by insurance
- 13:46-9.16 Forwarding of receipts
- 13:46-9.17 Compensation for inspectors

BOXING, WRESTLING AND SPARRING

SUBCHAPTER 10. ANNOUNCERS

- 13:46-10.1 Designation; approval; license
- 13:46-10.2 Authorization to announce
- 13:46-10.3 Announcement of contestants' names and weights
- 13:46-10.4 Announcement of contest results
- 13:46-10.5 Neutrality
- 13:46-10.6 Introducing suspended person
- 13:46-10.7 Announcement of the decision

SUBCHAPTER 11. TIMEKEEPERS

- 13:46-11.1 Appointment and license
- 13:46-11.2 Stop-watch
- 13:46-11.3 Time of round; rest period
- 13:46-11.4 Warning signal
- 13:46-11.5 Termination before scheduled limit
- 13:46-11.6 Location near bell
- 13:46-11.7 Signals during rounds
- 13:46-11.8 Termination between rounds
- 13:46-11.9 Extreme wrestling
- 13:46-11.10 Compensation for combative sports timekeepers

SUBCHAPTER 12. (RESERVED)

SUBCHAPTER 12A. UNIFORM MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

- 13:46-12A.1 Applicability
- 13:46-12A.2 Pre-licensure medical requirement
- 13:46-12A.3 Thorough medical examination defined
- 13:46-12A.4 Pre-fight weigh-in examination
- 13:46-12A.5 HIV examination
- 13:46-12A.6 Required hepatitis testing and recommended vaccinations
- 13:46-12A.7 Usage of drugs
- 13:46-12A.8 Urinalysis
- 13:46-12A.9 Penalties for drug use
- 13:46-12A.10 Post-fight medical examination
- 13:46-12A.11 Post-knockout suspension
- 13:46-12A.12 Post-technical knockout suspension
- 13:46-12A.13 Post-knockout neurological examination
- 13:46-12A.14 Use of disposable hygienic gloves
- 13:46-12A.15 Medical training required by referees
- 13:46-12A.16 Presence of an ambulance
- 13:46-12A.17 Presence of emergency medical technicians

SUBCHAPTER 12B. ADDITIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY RULES

- 13:46-12B.1 Use of Monsel's solution prohibited
- 13:46-12B.2 Duties of ringside physician
- 13:46-12B.3 Mandatory medical examinations of contestant losing six consecutive fights; inactivity for one year
- 13:46-12B.4 Medical examination of judges and referees
- 13:46-12B.5 Inability to perform contract due to injury or illness
- 13:46-12B.6 Medical reports
- 13:46-12B.7 Suspension notices
- 13:46-12B.8 Compensation for physicians
- 13:46-12B.9 60-day rest period for boxers leaving in-patient drug rehabilitation facility

SUBCHAPTER 13. TELEVISION

- 13:46-13.1 Tax
- 13:46-13.2 Forms
- 13:46-13.3 Sanction and approval of Commissioner
- 13:46-13.4 Copy of agreement furnished to Commissioner
- 13:46-13.5 Time for tax payment
- 13:46-13.6 Application
- 13:46-13.7 Announcements

SUBCHAPTER 14. INSURANCE FOR BOXERS

- 13:46-14.1 Carried by promoter
- 13:46-14.2 Premium payment
- 13:46-14.3 Coverage

- 13:46-14.4 Cost of insurance
- 13:46-14.5 Compliance

SUBCHAPTER 15. TICKETS

- 13:46-15.1 Approved printer
- 13:46-15.2 Printer's license
- 13:46-15.3 Ticket form
- 13:46-15.4 Inventory
- 13:46-15.5 Format of tickets according to price and complimentary tickets
- 13:46-15.6 Price on ticket
- 13:46-15.7 Postponement
- 13:46-15.8 Holding of tickets; time limits
- 13:46-15.9 Exchange, redemption of ticket
- 13:46-15.10 Accounting
- 13:46-15.11 Free admission
- 13:46-15.12 Ticket exemptions
- 13:46-15.13 Irregularities
- 13:46-15.14 Ticket stub
- 13:46-15.15 Press tickets
- 13:46-15.16 Employee tickets
- 13:46-15.17 Issuance of undeclared tickets
- 13:46-15.18 (Reserved)

SUBCHAPTER 16. DOORMEN AND BOX OFFICE EMPLOYEES

- 13:46-16.1 Doormen and box office employees
- 13:46-16.2 Separation
- 13:46-16.3 Supervision

SUBCHAPTER 17. AMATEUR (AAU) BOXING

- 13:46-17.1 Conduct; approval
- 13:46-17.2 Tickets
- 13:46-17.3 Inspector
- 13:46-17.4 Safety precautions
- 13:46-17.5 Physicians compensation
- 13:46-17.6 Boxing in conjunction with other entertainments
- 13:46-17.7 Amateur boxing in conjunction with professional contests
- 13:46-17.8 Permit; ABF sanction
- 13:46-17.9 (Reserved)

SUBCHAPTER 18. PROMOTERS

- 13:46-18.1 General responsibility
- 13:46-18.2 Dealings with unlicensed managers
- 13:46-18.3 (Reserved)
- 13:46-18.4 Intermissions
- 13:46-18.5 (Reserved)
- 13:46-18.6 (Reserved)
- 13:46-18.7 Dealings with persons under suspension
- 13:46-18.8 Suspension
- 13:46-18.9 Maintenance of order; responsibility
- 13:46-18.10 Minimum schedule of rounds per program
- 13:46-18.11 Time of main event
- 13:46-18.12 Filing of boxing contracts; secret agreements
- 13:46-18.13 Program under auspices of charitable organization
- 13:46-18.14 Press room
- 13:46-18.15 Exclusivity and reservation of dates
- 13:46-18.16 Posting security for ticket refunds
- 13:46-18.17 Public announcements or advertisements of bouts
- 13:46-18.18 Filing period for promoter's contract
- 13:46-18.19 (Reserved)

SUBCHAPTER 19. MATCHMAKERS

- 13:46-19.1 Observance of rules
- 13:46-19.2 Approval of boxing match by Commissioner
- 13:46-19.3 Dealings with unlicensed manager
- 13:46-19.4 (Reserved)
- 13:46-19.5 Dealings with persons under suspension
- 13:46-19.6 Suspension
- 13:46-19.7 Submission of names and addresses of contestants
- 13:46-19.8 (Reserved)

SUBCHAPTER 20. EXTREME WRESTLING

13:46-20.1	Entertainment events
13:46-20.2	Age limit
13:46-20.3	Proof of identity
13:46-20.4	Physical and mental examination
13:46-20.5	(Reserved)
13:46-20.6	Tape on body
13:46-20.7	(Reserved)
13:46-20.8	Certified notice
13:46-20.9	Non-appearance
13:46-20.10	(Reserved)
13:46-20.11	Ring covering
13:46-20.12	Safety equipment
13:46-20.13	Removal for reason
13:46-20.14	(Reserved)
13:46-20.15	Physicians
13:46-20.16	Activity confined to ring and ring apron
13:46-20.17	Rest period
13:46-20.18	License
13:46-20.19	Costume
13:46-20.20	Dealing with unlicensed promoter
13:46-20.21	Insurance coverage
13:46-20.22	Inspectors
13:46-20.23	Prohibited acts

SUBCHAPTER 21. WRESTLING REFEREES

13:46-21.1	Appointment and assignment
13:46-21.2	Compensation for extreme wrestling referees
13:46-21.3	Chief official
13:46-21.4	Leaving ring
13:46-21.5	Report
13:46-21.6	Payment of referees
13:46-21.7	Medical examination of extreme wrestling referee
13:46-21.8	Apparel
13:46-21.9	Use of physician
13:46-21.10	Disqualifying wrestlers

SUBCHAPTER 22. HEARINGS AND SUBPOENA OF WITNESSES

13:46-22.1	Investigations and hearings held by the Commissioner; discipline
13:46-22.2	Failure to obey; fine
13:46-22.3	Functions of Commissioner

SUBCHAPTER 23. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

13:46-23.1	Interest in athlete prohibited
13:46-23.2	Interest in promoter prohibited
13:46-23.3	Interest in manager's or second's contract prohibited
13:46-23.4	Interest in matchmaker's contract prohibited
13:46-23.5	(Reserved)
13:46-23.6	Promoter's interest in athlete prohibited
13:46-23.7	Promoter prohibited from acting as manager or second of participant
13:46-23.8	Promoter prohibited from holding interest in other promoter
13:46-23.9	Financial interest in opponent prohibited

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

13:46-23A.1	Definitions
13:46-23A.2	Department Code of Ethics
13:46-23A.3	Acceptance of gift, favor, service or other thing of value by Board member or employee
13:46-23A.4	Acceptance of gift, favor, service or other thing of value by appointee
13:46-23A.5	Outside activity related to sanctioning bodies, licensees, non-New Jersey state regulatory agencies
13:46-23A.6	Work space, lodging for employees, judges and referees

SUBCHAPTER 1. DEFINITIONS

13:46-1.1 Definitions

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

“Board” means the State Athletic Control Board.

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

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

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

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

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

“Manager” means any person who:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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

Deleted original (a)8 and inserted new (a)8 and 9.
Amended by R.1987 d.53, effective January 20, 1987.
See: 18 N.J.R. 1789(a), 19 N.J.R. 233(a).

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".

Amended by R.1995 d.399, effective July 17, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1139(a), 27 N.J.R. 1959(a), 27 N.J.R. 2697(b).

13:46-4.11 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 Procedures for licensure

(a) The Commissioner shall review each applicant's qualifications for licensure. If the Commissioner determines that an applicant is qualified pursuant to this chapter, he or she shall issue the appropriate license.

(b) The Commissioner shall deny the application of any person he or she finds to be unqualified. The Commissioner shall notify the applicant and the Board of the reasons for his or her denial of the application.

(c) Any person whose application has been denied or whose license has been revoked by the Commissioner may, within 15 days of notification of the Commissioner's action, request that the Board review the application. If a person whose application has been denied does not request a review by the Board, the Commissioner's denial shall be final.

(d) If review by the Board is requested, the Board may:

1. Hear the matter directly; or
2. Transmit the matter as a contested case to the Office of Administrative Law pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-16 et seq., and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

New Rule, R.1995 d.400, effective July 17, 1995.

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

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 Commissioner.

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.1995 d.398, effective July 17, 1995.

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

13:46-4.17 (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, extreme 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 Commission 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 contestants or participants 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".
Amended by R.1995 d.398, effective July 17, 1995.
See: 27 N.J.R. 1138(a), 27 N.J.R. 1959(a), 27 N.J.R. 2697(a).
Amended by R.2001 d.293, effective August 20, 2001.
See: 33 N.J.R. 1050(a), 33 N.J.R. 2816(a).
In (a), inserted "extreme" preceding "wrestling".

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 extreme wrestlers, managers, seconds, referees, timekeepers, announcers, promoters, co-promoters and judges shall be on a fiscal year basis (July 1 through the following June 30). All licenses shall be issued on a State-wide basis. The fee for each license shall be as follows:

1. Promoter	\$300.00
2. Co-promoter	\$200.00
3. Referee	\$75.00
4. Manager	\$25.00
5. Extreme Wrestler	\$5.00
6. Second	\$25.00
7. Timekeeper	\$25.00
8. Announcer	\$25.00
9. Matchmaker	\$100.00
10. Judge	\$75.00

(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.

Amended by R.1995 d.399, effective July 17, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1139(a), 27 N.J.R. 1959(a), 27 N.J.R. 2697(b).

Amended by R.1996 d.203, effective May 6, 1996.

See: 27 N.J.R. 4850(a), 28 N.J.R. 2392(b).

In (a) added one day wrestling permit.

Amended by R.2001 d.293, effective August 20, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 1050(a), 33 N.J.R. 2816(a).

Rewrote (a).

13:46-4.26 Lost license; duplicate

If a license is lost, its owner may obtain a duplicate for \$5.00 by written application to the Trenton Office 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).

"Commissioner" substituted for "Commission".

Amended by R.1995 d.399, effective July 17, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 1139(a), 27 N.J.R. 1959(a), 27 N.J.R. 2697(b).

13:46-4.27 Criteria for license issuance to promoters

The Commissioner may grant a license to conduct boxing or extreme wrestling promotions where an applicant has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Commissioner financial responsibility, experience, good character and general fitness 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 of moral turpitude or any other offense which indicates that licensure would be inimical to the conduct of those exhibitions, events and performances which the Board is charged to oversee.

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.

Amended by R.2001 d.293, effective August 20, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 1050(a), 33 N.J.R. 2816(a).

Rewrote the section.

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

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) No appointee shall hold any position in any boxing organization which position involves the lobbying or the opportunity to vote for any type of award or honor for any individual involved in the professional boxing industry unless a written request to serve in any such capacity is submitted to, and approved by, the Commissioner prior to any involvement by the appointee.

1. The Commissioner shall determine whether the appointee may accept the position. In reaching a determination, the Commissioner shall evaluate whether:

- i. The individuals proposed for the award are current Board licensees or are likely to apply for a Board license;
- ii. The individuals proposed for the award are likely to be involved in professional boxing in New Jersey in the future;
- iii. The appointee agrees not to perform services for the Board in any future bout in which any individual proposed for an award is a scheduled participant; and
- iv. Any other relevant factors exist.

2. The appointee may, within 15 days of notification of the Commissioner's action, request that the Board review the decision at the next scheduled Board meeting.

3. If an appointee does not request review by the Board, the Commissioner's decision shall be final.

(e) 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.

Amended by R.2001 d.439, effective November 19, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 2249(a), 33 N.J.R. 3902(a).

Added new (d); renumbered former (d) as (e).

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.