

State of Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses Idaho Athletic Commission

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Commission Meeting Minutes of 4/6/2023

Commission	Kyle Jared Wills - Chair	Division	Kent Absec, Executive Officer
Members	Thomas Fleming	Staff:	Greg Loos, Legal Counsel
Present:			Lizzie Kukla, Licensing Supervisor
			Christian Runnalls, Board Support Specialist

Commission James W Grow, Jr. Members Absent: Marvin Crane Kip Dribnak Kaleb Redden, D.O.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Kyle Jared Wills.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Zero-Based Regulation - The changes to rule approved by the Commission are as follows:

Rule 614 – Stopping Contest – Combatant Not Honestly Competing - The Commission changed the word "honestly" to "defensively." The Commission stated the purpose of the rule is to stop dishonest fighters from collecting show money. The Commission inserted the MMA rule into Rule 614.

Rule 616 – Procedure When Combatant Is Knocked Out - The Commission deleted the rule as unnecessary and harmful to combatants.

Rule 617 – Announcement Of Winner Of Bout - The Commission deleted the rule as unnecessary.

Rule 700 – Martial Arts And Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) – Rules - The Commission deleted subsections 02, 03, 04, and 05 since the MMA rules are already referenced earlier in the rules and the Commission will only include MMA rules that are general rules.

Rule 700.06 – Use Of Official Rules For Art - The Commission added language that gave discretion to the Commission to accept or deny rules from outside the state of Idaho for an event occurring within the state of Idaho.

Rule 700.07 – **Gloves** - The Commission struck the reference to the statute. The Commission changed the language requiring the combatant's gloves from being the same brand to being substantially similar to each other.

Rule 700.08 – Commission Approved Attire -The Commission struck the rule as redundant of MMA rules.

Rule 700.09 – Prohibited Equipment and Attire - The Commission struck the rule as redundant of MMA rules.

Rule 701.02.c – **Suspicious Circumstances** - The Commission struck the rule since contacting law enforcement does not need to be in the rule.

Rule 702 – Methods Of Winning MMA Contest - The Commission struck the rule as it is redundant of MMA rules.

Rule 703 – MMA Combatant Down After The Sound Of The Bell - The Commission struck the rule as it is redundant of MMA rules.

Rule 704 – Blows At Or After The Bell In MMA Contest - The Commission struck the rule as it is redundant of MMA rules.

Rule 800 – **Boxing Rules -** The Commission incorporated the language in subsection 01 into the opening paragraph of the rule.

Rule 800.03 – Exceeding Weight Allowances - The Commission discussed striking this rule and moving it to the website as a guidance document so the weight limits can be at the Commission's discretion. However, no changes were made.

Rule 800.04 – Licensing Exemption - The Commission struck the rule as it is redundant of Rule 800.03.

Rule 800.05 – **Boxing Gloves** - The Commission reworded to only state the Commission will inspect gloves.

Rule 800.05.b – **Gloves Specifications** - The Commission changed "same brand" to substantially similar to be consistent with language to the earlier rule.

Rule 800.05.c – **Sanitary** - The Commission struck the rule as redundant of the statute that gives the Commission authority to remove unsanitary gloves.

Rule 800.05.e – **Boxing Gloves -** The Commission struck the rule because the Commission and referee already have the discretion to ban gloves.

Rule 800.06.b – **Bandaging of Combatant's Hands** – The Commission revised language that required combatants to wrap their hands in the presence of each other with language that made hand wrapping in each other's presence optional for the combatants.

Rule 802.01 – Knockdown - The Commission struck the procedural language.

Rule 802.02 – **Timekeeper -** The Commission struck all language in the rule except for the requirement for a mandatory eight (8) count if a combatant is knocked down.

Rule 802.03 – Failure of Opponent to Stay in Farthest Neutral Corner - The Commission struck the rule as it is redundant of Rule 802.02.

Rule 802.04 – Knock-Out - The Commission struck the procedural language.

Rule 802.06 – Combatants Down – Referee Counting - The Commission struck the rule since it is already in United Boxing Rules and is incorporated by reference.

Rule 804 – When Boxing Combatant Falls From Ring During Round - The Commission struck the rule as it is covered in the United Boxing Rules.

Rule 805.01 – Feet Off Floor - The Commission incorporated Rule 805.02 into Rule 805.01.

Rule 902.03 – Decision And Appeal - The Commission struck this rule because wrestling fights are staged.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:32 PM.

The next meeting is on 05/02/2023.