

Dear Senators GUTHRIE, Bernt, Wintrow, and
Representatives CRANE, Young, Gannon:

The Legislative Services Office, Research and Legislation, has received the enclosed rules of the
Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses - State Athletic Commission:
IDAPA 24.02.01 - Rules of the State Athletic Commission (ZBR New Chapter) - Proposed Rule
(Docket No. 24-0201-2402).

Pursuant to Section 67-454, Idaho Code, a meeting on the enclosed rules may be called by the
cochairmen or by two (2) or more members of the subcommittee giving oral or written notice to Research
and Legislation no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative
Services. The final date to call a meeting on the enclosed rules is no later than 11/12/2024. If a meeting is
called, the subcommittee must hold the meeting within forty-two (42) days of receipt of the rules' analysis
from Legislative Services. The final date to hold a meeting on the enclosed rules is 12/10/2024.

The germane joint subcommittee may request a statement of economic impact with respect to a
proposed rule by notifying Research and Legislation. There is no time limit on requesting this statement,
and it may be requested whether or not a meeting on the proposed rule is called or after a meeting has
been held.

To notify Research and Legislation, call 334-4854, or send a written request to the address on the
memorandum attached below.



Terri Kondeff
Director

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate State Affairs Committee and the House State Affairs Committee
FROM: Division Manager - Matt Drake
DATE: October 22, 2024
SUBJECT: Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses - State Athletic Commission

IDAPA 24.02.01 - Rules of the State Athletic Commission (ZBR New Chapter) - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 24-0201-2402)

Summary and Stated Reasons for the Rule

The Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses - State Athletic Commission submits notice of proposed rulemaking. The Division states that the rulemaking is intended to streamline and simplify the rules pertaining to the State Athletic Commission. The Division further states that the rulemaking updates the rule chapter to bring it in line with Idaho Code.

Review of the proposed rules in comparison with proposed rules previously submitted to the Legislature indicates further reduction of text, including fewer defined terms (*e.g.*, the term "combatant" is no longer defined in the text), updated references to documents incorporated by reference and links to those documents on the Division's website, removal of time between contests limitations, and simplification of discipline provisions. It appears that the Division adjusted the fee table to decrease the fees for most license types. The Division states that no fees are increased by the rulemaking.

Negotiated Rulemaking / Fiscal Impact

The Division states that negotiated rulemaking was conducted. The Division states that the rulemaking is not anticipated to have a fiscal impact.

Statutory Authority

The rulemaking appears to be authorized pursuant to section 54-406, Idaho Code.

cc: Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses - State Athletic Commission
Krissy Veseth

*** PLEASE NOTE ***

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Per the Idaho Constitution, all administrative rules may be reviewed by the Legislature during the next legislative session. The Legislature has 3 options with this rulemaking docket: **1)** Approve the docket in its entirety; **2)** Reject the docket in its entirety; or **3)** Reject the docket in part.

IDAPA 24 – DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

24.02.01 – RULES OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 24-0201-2402 (ZBR NEW CHAPTER)

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING – PROPOSED RULE

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. This rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Section 67-2604, Idaho Code, as well as Sections 67-9404, 67-9405, 67-9406, 67-9409, 67-9413, and Section 54-406, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: The public hearing concerning this rulemaking will be held as follows:

24.02.01 – Rules of the State Athletic Commission
Tuesday, August 13, 2024 – 9 a.m. (MT) Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses Coolwater Room, Chinden Campus Building 4 11341 W. Chinden Blvd. Boise, ID 83714
Virtual Meeting Link
Telephone and web conferencing information will be posted on https://dopl.idaho.gov/calendar/ and https://townhall.idaho.gov/.

The hearing site will be accessible to persons with disabilities, if needed. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the meeting to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

Under [Executive Order 2020-01, Zero-Based Regulation](#), the Idaho Athletic Commission is striving to prevent the accumulation of costly, ineffective, and outdated regulations and reduce regulatory burden to achieve a more efficient operation of government. In conjunction with stakeholders, the proposed rule changes reflect a comprehensive review of this chapter by collaborating with the public to streamline or simplify the rule language in this chapter and to use plain language for better understanding. This proposed rulemaking updates the rules to comply with governing statute and Executive Order 2020-01.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased:

N/A. The proposed amendments to the rules do not impose any new or increased fees.

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state General Fund greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) during the fiscal year as a result of this rulemaking:

This rulemaking is not anticipated to have any negative fiscal impact on the state General Fund.

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING: Pursuant to Section 67-5220, Idaho Code, negotiated rulemaking was conducted under Docket No. 24-ZBRR-2401. The Omnibus Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules - Negotiated Rulemaking was published in the April 3, 2024, Idaho Administrative Bulletin, [Vol. 24-4, p.41](#).

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule:

These proposed rules update Rule 002.02 Incorporation by Reference for the Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports Unified Rules of Mixed Martial Arts from the 2019 edition to the 2022 edition.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING DRAFT COPIES: For assistance on technical questions concerning this proposed rule, contact Krissy Veseth, Bureau Chief, at (208) 577-2491. Materials pertaining to the proposed rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the following DOPL website: <https://dopl.idaho.gov/rulemaking/>.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before August 28, 2024.

DATED this 5th day of July, 2024.

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THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED TEXT OF DOCKET NO. 24-0201-2402
(ZBR New Chapter)

24.02.01 – RULES OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.

These rules are promulgated pursuant to Title 54, Chapter 4, Idaho Code. ()

001. SCOPE.

These rules are intended to provide clarification on the methods and restrictions of unarmed combat in Idaho. ()

002. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE.

Pursuant to Section 67-5229, Idaho Code, this chapter incorporates by reference the following documents available on the Commission’s website: ()

01. Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports Unified Rules of Boxing Amended 2016. This document can be accessed online here: <https://www.abcboxing.com/unified-rules-boxing/>. ()

02. Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports Unified Rules of Mixed Martial Arts. This document can be accessed online here: <https://www.abcboxing.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/unified-rules-mma-july-2022.pdf>. ()

03. Athlete Guide to the 2020 Prohibited List. Published by the United States Anti-Doping Agency

(USADA). Copyright date 2019. This document can be accessed online at: <https://www.usada.org/athletes/substances/prohibited-list/athlete-guide-to-the-2020-prohibited-list/>. ()

003. – 009. (RESERVED)

010. DEFINITIONS.

- 01. Event.** A program of one (1) or more unarmed combat contests or exhibitions. ()
- a.** An “amateur event” is an event in which the only combatants are amateur combatants. ()
- b.** A “professional event” is an event in which the only combatants are professional combatants. ()
- c.** A “pro-am” is an event in which combatants include professional combatants and amateur combatants. Professional combatants may not compete against amateur combatants in “pro-am” events. ()
- 02. Main Event.** The headline or marquee contest or exhibition scheduled to occur at an event. ()

011. – 099. (RESERVED)

100. LICENSING.

- 01. Application for License.** Applicants will submit a complete, application to the Division for each of the following licenses: ()
- a.** Combatant; ()
- b.** Promoter; ()
- c.** Matchmaker; ()
- d.** Manager; ()
- e.** Second, including a trainer; ()
- f.** Ring Official; or ()
- g.** Sanctioning permit for an event. ()

101. COMBATANT.

- 01. Age of Combatant.** The Commission will review all complete applications for a combatant license so that the applicant’s experience and fitness may be considered before a license is issued, if the applicant has: ()
- a.** Not reached eighteen (18) years of age; or ()
- b.** Reached thirty-six (36) years of age. ()
- c.** Poor Vision. The Commission will not issue a license to engage in unarmed combat to any applicant who is found to be blind in one (1) eye or whose vision in one (1) eye is so poor that a physician recommends that no license be granted. No exceptions will be made. ()
- d.** Cerebral Hemorrhage. Any person who has suffered a cerebral hemorrhage will not be issued a license. ()

e. Serious Head Injuries. The Commission will review the application of any person who has suffered a serious head injury before a license is issued to that person. ()

02. Additional Examination. Any licensed combatant who participates in a contest outside of the state of Idaho, or in an unsanctioned contest will need to fulfill these medical requirements again before being allowed to compete in Idaho, unless they can produce proof of medical clearance after an out of state sanctioned fight. ()

03. Blood Testing. The Commission will not issue a license to or allow an athlete to compete in an event, if the athlete, within the six (6) months immediately preceding the application for licensure or the event at which the licensee wishes to compete, has tested positive for the HIV virus, Hepatitis B Surface Antigen and Hepatitis C Antibody, or illegal drugs or other substances. Upon application for a license, the athlete will submit with the application a blood test report from a blood test conducted within the six (6) months preceding the application date. The blood test must have tested the athlete for HIV virus, Hepatitis B Surface Antigen, Hepatitis C Antibody, and illegal drugs and substances. Additionally, each combatant who is to compete in an event will, at the start of the event, provide the Commission with a blood test report from a blood test conducted within the six (6) months immediately preceding the event. The Commission may, in its discretion, request addition blood tests. ()

04. Drug Abuse. The Commission will not issue a license to an athlete who has a recent history of drug abuse, without proof of participation in a recognized drug rehabilitation program and/or submission to urinalysis. ()

05. Blood Testing and Five Panel Drug Test Results. Results must show blood concentrate percentages. ()

102. ABILITY OF COMBATANT.

01. Ability to Compete. Before the Commission issues a combatant license to any person, the Commission must be satisfied of the person’s ability to compete. ()

02. Questioned Ability. If a combatant’s ability to perform is questioned for any reason, the Commission may take action per Sections 54-406(s) or 67-2614, Idaho Code, regarding revocation of license and due process to determine: ()

a. Whether the person’s license should be revoked; or ()

b. Whether the person should be granted a license. ()

103. HONORING ACTIONS OF REGULATORY AGENCIES IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS.

The Commission may honor the following actions of agencies in other jurisdictions which regulate boxing, wrestling, martial arts, or combination thereof and may suspend a combatant as determined: ()

01. Suspension. A suspension of a combatant ordered for: ()

a. Medical Safety. The following suspensions are a guideline for ringside physicians. A ringside physician may additionally require proof of medical clearance for release of suspension:

Technical Knockout (TKO) Occurrence	Loss of Consciousness	Suspension
1	None	30 Days
1	Less than one minute	90 Days
1	Greater than one minute	180 Days
2 in 90 days	None	90 Days

Technical Knockout (TKO) Occurrence	Loss of Consciousness	Suspension
2 in 90 days	Less than one minute	180 Days
2 in 90 days	Greater than one minute	360 Days
3 in 365 days	None	12 Months
3 in 365 days	Regardless of time	18 Months

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b. A violation of a law or rule governing boxing, wrestling, martial arts, or combination thereof which also exists in this state; or ()

c. Any other conduct which discredits boxing, wrestling, martial arts, or combination thereof as determined by the Commission. ()

104. FEMALE COMBATANTS.

01. Limitation. A female combatant will not engage in a contest with a male combatant. ()

02. General Requirements. In addition to meeting such requirements of this chapter as are applicable to combatants generally, a female applicant will submit to pregnancy test prior to the contest. ()

03. Addendum Requirement. A female combatant will, in addition to signing the contract, sign an addendum certifying that the combatant is not pregnant and that the contest. ()

105. HEALTH INSURANCE.

The promoter may not require a participant to pay a deductible associated with care provided under Section 54-408(5), Idaho Code. If a participant injured during a contest or exhibition pays for medical, surgical or hospital care, the insurance proceeds must be paid to the participant or the participant's beneficiaries for reimbursement for the payment. ()

106. SURETY BOND OR OTHER SECURITY.

01. Requirement. Every promoter who applies for a sanctioning permit shall furnish a surety bond or other form of financial security to the Commission consistent with Section 54-408, Idaho Code. ()

02. Various Locations. The promoter may apply one (1) bond or other form of financial security to multiple locations if only one (1) of the covered locations is scheduled for an event on any given calendar date. ()

03. Total Sum. Each bond or other form of financial security must be conditioned for the payment to the Commission of a sum equivalent to the total sale of tickets if the main event is neither held on the original date advertised nor on a subsequent date fixed by the Commission. ()

04. Sum Due. The sum is due within fifteen (15) days after default, to ensure reimbursement to the purchasers of tickets for the event, if the reimbursement of ticket holders is ordered by the Commission. ()

107. APPROVAL OF SANCTIONED EVENT PERMITS.

01. Prior Approval. A sanctioning permit to hold an event on a specific date, and a permit must be issued by the Commission before the event may be announced or advertised. ()

02. Deadline. A complete application together with application fees, applicable bond amount, proof of insurance, and information regarding the combatants named in the main and semi-main contest must be received by

the Commission no less than thirty (30) days prior to the date requested for the event named in the application. Combatants named in contests may be changed at the discretion of the Commission. ()

03. Cancellation. The failure of the promoter to notify the Commission of a cancellation at least seven (7) calendar days before the date for the program will result in the forfeiture of all fees and will be grounds for disciplinary action. ()

108. ARRANGEMENT OF CONTEST FOR PROMOTER.
A Contest may not be arranged on behalf of a promoter except by a licensed matchmaker. ()

109. LICENSES RETAINED.
No person will be retained by a promoter unless currently licensed by the Commission. ()

110. MANAGER ACTING AS SECOND.
A manager licensed by the Commission may act as a second without having a second's license. ()

111. REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSE AS A RING OFFICIAL.

01. Qualifications. To qualify for a license as a ring official of contests, an applicant will: ()

a. Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age. The Commission may, for good cause shown, lower the minimum age limit for a particular applicant to eighteen (18) years of age; ()

b. Submit a record of conviction of a crime for Commission review in compliance with Section 67-9411, Idaho Code; ()

c. Have had at least one (1) year experience in amateur or professional contest as a ring official, or other experience as approved by the Commission; ()

d. Submit verifications from two (2) persons of proficiency as a ring official; and ()

e. Each referee licensed by the Commission will be required to undergo an eye examination conducted by an optometrist or ophthalmologist. The Commission may request the licensee to produce all records of the examination. The Commission may require each referee license by the Commission to submit to a pre-fight physical. ()

f. In lieu of the above qualifications, the Commission may accept satisfactory evidence of equivalent qualifications possessed by an applicant who is currently licensed in another state or country. ()

112. OFFICIALS OF EVENTS.

01. Officials Described. The officials of events are the referee, judges, timekeeper, physician, and the Commission's agents. ()

02. Commission Involvement. The Commission will approve and assign all the officials. The promoter may select the announcer, subject to the Commission's approval, which may be withdrawn at any time. ()

113. REFEREES.

01. Selection. The Commission will approve the referee for the main event in championship events and for events that the Commission considers to be special events. ()

02. Protests. If any licensee of the Commission protests the assignment of a referee, the protesting licensee will be given a hearing by the Commission if time permits. If time does not permit, the matter will be heard by two (2) Commissioners in order to make such disposition of the protest as the facts may justify. Protests not made in a timely manner may be summarily rejected. ()

03. Physical Examination. Each referee licensed by the Commission may be required to submit to or provide proof of a complete physical examination, including an eye examination. ()

114. JUDGES.

01. Selection. The Commission will approve the judges for the main event in championship events and for any other events which the Commission considers to be special events. ()

02. Protests. If any licensee of the Commission protests the assignment of a judge, the protesting license will be given a hearing by the Commission if time permits. If time does not permit, the matter will be heard by two (2) Commissioners in order to make such disposition of the protest as the facts may justify. Protests not made in a timely manner may be summarily rejected. ()

03. Station of Judges. Judges will be stationed ringside at places approved by the Commission. ()

04. Physical Examination. Each judge licensed by the Commission may be required to submit to or provide proof of a complete physical examination, including an eye examination. ()

115. DISCIPLINE.

01. Grounds for Discipline. The Commission may take disciplinary action including denial, suspension, or revocation of a license, or other appropriate action, against an applicant or licensee for: ()

a. Violation of the laws or rules of the Commission. ()

b. A felony conviction relevant to licensure with the Commission; ()

c. Engaging in illegal bookmaking; ()

d. Engaging in any illegal gambling activity; ()

e. Engaging in any fraud or misrepresentation in the application process; ()

f. A recent history of drug abuse or failing a drug test or refuses to submit to a drug test; ()

g. Being under suspension from any other commission; ()

h. Failure to report to the Commission a request or suggestion that a contest not be conducted honestly. ()

i. Engaging in any activity or practice which is detrimental to the best interests of a contest regulated by the Commission. ()

j. Failing to appear to an agreed-upon event without written good cause from a physician designated by the Commission prior to weigh in; or ()

k. Allowing any person under suspension to take part as a participant or in arranging or conducting matches or exhibitions. ()

02. Suspension of Revocation. Licensees with suspended or revoked licenses of this state or another state may not: ()

a. Participate in contests; ()

b. Participate in matchmaking or holding contests; ()

- c. Enter dressing rooms at the premises where any program of is being held; ()
- d. Sit within six (6) rows of seats from the ring platform; ()
- e. Approach within six (6) rows of seats from the ring platform; ()
- f. Communicate in the arena or near the dressing rooms with any of the principals in the contests, their managers, their seconds, or the referee, whether directly or by a messenger, during any program. ()
- g. Have any dealings related to mixed martial arts, boxing, or wrestling with any person whose license had been suspended or revoked by the Commission. ()

03. Removal from Premises. Persons who violate the above rule may be ejected from the arena or building where the program is being held, and the price paid for admission refunded upon presentation of the ticket stub at the box office. Thereafter, they are barred entirely from all premises used for contests or exhibitions while the programs are being held, and thereafter, are barred entirely from all premises used for contests or exhibitions while the programs are being held. ()

04. Disciplinary Action for Use of Dishonest Methods. Any license revoked for dishonesty, influencing the outcome of any contest, or for conduct reflecting serious discredit upon the sport, will not be reinstated for six (6) months for the first offense and permanently in the event of a second violation. ()

05. Temporary Suspension. A manager under temporary suspension forfeits all managerial rights related to any licensed combatant. A combatant, matchmaker, or promoter who engages with a suspended manager may be indefinitely suspended. ()

06. Continuation. A combatant whose manager is suspended may compete independently and sign match contracts. Promoters may not pay a suspended manager or their agent, but must pay the combatant in full. ()

07. Unsanctioned Events. Any combatant who takes part in any event not sanctioned by the American Boxing Commission shall be suspended for a minimum of sixty (60) days and is required to submit to a new blood panel before that suspension may be lifted. ()

116. AMATUEAR ATHLETIC SANTIONING ORGANIZATIONS.
The Commission may approve an entity as an officially recognized amateur athletic sanctioning organization that may sanction amateur events. The Commission is the final authority on whether an entity may be an amateur athletic sanctioning organization. ()

117. FEES.

FEE TYPE	AMOUNT	RENEWAL
Professional Combatant	\$75.00	\$75.00
Amateur Combatant	\$50.00	\$50.00
Non-combatant	\$100.00	\$100.00
Matchmaker	\$250.00	\$250.00
Promoter	\$750.00	\$750.00
Sanction permit	\$200.00	\$200.00
Ring official	\$100.00	\$100.00

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118. – 199. (RESERVED)

200. PHYSICIAN QUALIFICATIONS.

A physician is an individual licensed under the laws of this state to engage in the general practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine. A physician will also have training or experience in combative sports. ()

201. PHYSICIAN'S DETERMINATION OF FITNESS OF COMBATANTS AND REFEREE – CERTIFICATION – REPORT.

01. Determination of Physician. The physician who examines any combatant or referee who has contracted to participate in an event will determine that a combatant or referee will not participate in the event and must immediately report such finding to the promoter and the Commission if: ()

a. The combatant is unfit for competition; or ()

b. The referee is unfit for officiating. ()

02. Written Certification. If the examining physician finds that the combatants and referees are in good physical condition, the physician will, one (1) hour before the start of the event, give written certification of those findings to the Commission. ()

03. Physician's Written Report. Within twenty-four (24) hours after the event ends, the physician will mail or deliver to the Commission his written report on every licensee he examined. The report will be on a form furnished by the Commission. ()

04. Non-Certification. In the event a licensee is determined to be unfit to compete or officiate, they shall be suspended until a physician certifies that they are fit for further competition or officiating. ()

202. COMBATANT'S REPORT OF OWN ILLNESS OR INJURY – EXAMINATION – FEE.

01. Combatant's Report of Non-Participation to Commission. When a licensed combatant is unable to take part in a contest for which they are under contract because of injury or illness, they will immediately report the fact to the Commission and submit to an examination by a physician designated by the Commission. ()

02. Payment of Fees to Physician. The fee for the physician's examination will be paid by the promoter if they have requested the examination, otherwise the fee will be paid by the combatant. ()

203. PREPARATIONS TO STOP HEMORRHAGING.

The Commission will periodically review the preparations available to stop hemorrhaging. Avitene and Thrombin are the only Commission approved preparations to stop hemorrhaging. ()

204. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES.

The Commission adopts, and incorporates by reference, the the January 1, 2024, World Anti-Doping Code International Standard Prohibited List, available at <https://www.wada-ama.org/en/resources/world-anti-doping-code-and-international-standards/prohibited-list>. Prohibited substances are regulated by Commission in the following manner: ()

01. Urinalysis. A combatant will submit to a urinalysis or chemical test before or after a contest if the Commission directs him to do so. ()

02. Suspension. A Combatant who tests positive for a prohibited substance in quantities prohibited by the incorporated document will forfeit purse. ()

03. Procedure for Testing for Prohibited Substance(s). ()

a. The Commission reserves the right to conduct random drug testing. Combatants may be tested by urine specimen or blood test at the discretion of the Commission. ()

b. The Commission reserves the right to have an approved physician or agent oversee the deposit of specimen into the container. The physician or agent will transport the sample to the testing laboratory as selected by the Commission. ()

205. PERCENTAGE OF GATE RECEIPTS TO COMBATANT.

Each combatant working on a percentage basis will be paid on the basis of the net receipts of each exhibition after state and federal taxes, ring expenses, and the price of complimentary tickets upon which a price is specified, have been deducted. ()

206. FINANCIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.

01. Sureties. A combatant may not have a promoter or any of its members, stockholders, officials, matchmakers or assistant matchmakers act directly or indirectly as manager, or hold any financial interest in the management of the combatant's earnings. ()

02. Advances. A promoter licensed by the Commission will not, directly or indirectly, make any loan or advance to any combatant or manager, unless the promoter has the express written permission of the Commission for that action. ()

207. PAYMENTS.

01. Generally. All payments must be made in legal tender including bank checks and transfers, unless specified by contract with approval of the Commission. ()

02. Combatants. With the prior written permission of a member of the Commission, a promoter may withhold from the purse of a combatant money advanced to the combatant for transportation and maintenance in preparation for a contest, if their agreement so provides. Combatants shall be paid in full according to their contract, and no part of their remuneration may be withheld without order of the Commission. The combatant's remuneration shall not be returned to any matchmaker or promoter, except as provided in this section. Consistent with Section 54-402, Idaho Code, promoters may not compensate amateurs for participating in or being associated with events, including paying an amateur to sell tickets or merchandise or provide services related to an event. ()

03. Promoters. Promoters may withhold from a combatant's purse money advanced for transportation and maintenance, if agreed upon in writing and approved by the Commission, up to ten percent (10%) of the purse. Reconciliation of these expenses and payment of the remaining purse shall be made to the Commission within seven (7) working days after the contest, and written approval of the combatant. The Commission may grant an extension of up to thirty (3) days for good cause shown. ()

04. Manager's Share. A manager's share of the purse may be deducted and paid directly to the manager if the contract so specifies. ()

05. Timing. Checks or cash shall be released to entitled persons immediately after the contest of exhibition, or after the combatant's percentage of net receipts is determined, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. Entitled persons shall sign a list of acknowledging payment. ()

06. Alternative Payment. The Commission may permit alternative forms of payment, subject to a written request from the promoter at least thirty (30) days before the contest, detailing the proposed method of payment and showing good cause for a waiver of the Commission's provisions. The promoter shall comply with all Commission requirements and procedural directives if the request is granted. ()

208. – 298. (RESERVED)

299. CHANGES TO MAIN AND SEMI-MAIN EVENTS.

01. Notice. The promoter must request Commission approval of any change, including substitutions, in an announced or advertised program for the main and semi-main events at least one (1) week before the event. Notice of any change or substitution must also be conspicuously posted at the box office of the premises where the program is to be held and announced from the ring before the opening contest. ()

02. Refunds. If such change to the main or semi-main events occur and any patron desires a refund of the ticket price, the promoter will provide a refund upon presentation of the ticket or the ticket stub at the box office before the event is scheduled to begin. The box office must remain open a reasonable length of time to redeem such tickets. ()

300. PROGRAM FOR CHARITY.

01. Application. A person who wishes to present a program or event under the jurisdiction of the Commission for charitable purposes will submit a sanction application to present the program. The application will contain the name of the charity, charitable fund or organization which is to benefit from the program and the amount or percentage of the receipts of the program to be paid to the charity. ()

02. Certified, Itemized Statement. Within seventy-two (72) hours after such a program is held, the promoter will furnish to the Commission a certified itemized statement of the receipts and expenditures in connection with the program and the net amount paid to the charitable fund or organization. If the promoter fails to file the statement within the prescribed time, the Commission: ()

- a.** May suspend or revoke the promoter's license; and ()
- b.** May prohibit the promoter from holding any program for charitable purposes. ()

301. BEVERAGE CONTAINERS.

All drinks at an event will be dispensed in paper or plastic cups. ()

302. – 399. (RESERVED)

400. TICKETS.

01. Selling Tickets. Promoters may not sell tickets beyond the seating capacity of a venue; no standing room sections are allowed. All attendees must present a ticket, except: ()

- a.** A Commission designee or Commission member; ()
- b.** Persons designated by the Commission for official duty; ()
- c.** Officials attending under provisions of state law or these rules; ()
- d.** The principals, managers, and corners involved in the contest; ()
- e.** The emergency medical personnel on duty for the contest; ()
- f.** Police officers, firefighters, and other public officials on duty for the contest; and ()
- g.** Persons arranged by the promoter or employed by the venue for other duties. ()

02. Complimentary Tickets. Pursuant to Section 54-411(2), Idaho Code, complimentary tickets are limited to two percent (2%) of the seats. ()

- a.** Combatants working on a percentage basis will be paid for all complimentary tickets in excess of the two percent (2%) as if they were sold at full price. This may be waived by contract. ()
- b.** Complimentary tickets, clearly marked by "PRESS", issued to the newspaper reporters. ()

photographers, and radio announcers, assigned to work by their recognized employers or superiors will not be counted against the two percent (2%) limit on complimentary tickets. ()

03. Inventory of Tickets. Promoters must prepare an inventory of all tickets and send that inventory to the Commission within thirty (30) days of any contest. To comply with this section: ()

a. Tickets may not be resold; ()

b. A promoter may not issue a ticket to any person for the purpose of readmission due to leaving the arena and later reentering the arena without the Commission's written permission; and ()

c. Requests for changes in ticket prices or dates of programs will be made in writing to the Commission for approval. ()

04. Revenue. Gross revenue includes all revenues from the contest and must be reported to the Commission within thirty (30) days of the contest. The state fee on those gross receipts will be delivered to the Commission with this report. ()

05. Records. The promoter must maintain records related to tickets and revenues for at least six (6) months. ()

401. TICKETS – REMOVAL AND RETENTION AFTER MATCH – DESTRUCTION.
After the tickets and stubs have been held for at least fifteen (15) days by the Commission, the Commission will destroy them. If the tickets are not taken by the Commission, they must be retained by the promoters for at least six (6) months. Those tickets may be destroyed after they have been held for at least thirty (30) days and written permission has been granted by the Commission for the destruction of such tickets. Tickets need to be kept in separate packages for each show so that the Commission may, at any time, conduct an audit. ()

402. – 499. (RESERVED)

500. POSTPONEMENT OF PROGRAM.

01. Prior Approval. A promoter may only postpone a sanctioned event with approval from the Commission. ()

02. No Fault Postponement. If a postponement of a sanctioned event becomes necessary through no fault of the promoter, the Commission will grant an extension of the contracts and set a new date. ()

03. Limitations on Postponement. A promoter may not call off a sanctioned event without one (1) week prior written approval of the Commission. A small advance sale is not a legitimate reason for postponement. Indoor boxing and wrestling programs may not be called off or canceled on account of storms or for any other reason not expressed in this chapter except as approved by the Commission. ()

501. MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS.
A promoter must contact the local fire department prior to any event to ensure adequate medical readiness coverage is available for the event. ()

502. SANITATION.
Each promoter is responsible for and must correct any violation of the regulations of the Commission or the public health district regarding the sanitary condition of dressing rooms, showers, water bottles, towels or other equipment, including prior to, during, and after conclusion of an event. ()

503. AUTHORIZED PERSONS IN DRESSING ROOMS.

01. Authorized Persons to Enter. On the day of a contest only the following people are allowed in the dressing room of a combatant: ()

- a.** The combatant's manager; ()
- b.** The combatant's seconds; ()
- c.** Any authorized agent of the promoter; and ()
- d.** Members of the Commission or its agent. ()

02. Other Persons. The promoter will furnish a doorman or doormen at the entrance to the dressing rooms to enforce this section. ()

504. EQUIPMENT OF THE CHIEF SECOND.

- 01. Equipment.** The chief second will be equipped with: ()
 - a.** A clear plastic water bottle; ()
 - b.** A bucket containing ice; ()
 - c.** A solution of a kind approved by the Commission for stopping hemorrhaging; ()
 - d.** Adhesive tape; ()
 - e.** Gauze; ()
 - f.** Scissors; and ()
 - g.** One (1) extra mouthpiece. ()
- 02. Ammonia.** No ammonia may be used in the ring. ()

03. Inspection. The ring physician or the Commission may at any time inspect the contents of the chief second's first-aid kit. ()

505. – 599. (RESERVED)

600. WEIGHING IN OF COMBATANTS.

01. Attendees and Scales Used at Weigh-In. Each combatant will be weighed in the presence of the public, the other combatant, the Commission and an official representing the promoter, on scales approved by the Commission at any place designated by the Commission. ()

02. Attire. The combatant will have all weights stripped from his body before they are weighed in, but they may wear shorts. ()

03. Press Attendance. Press who provide official identification will be admitted to each final weighing in of a combatant. ()

04. Security. The owner or operator of the premises in which the weighing in is held will provide adequate security for all those present. ()

601. COMBATANTS MUST REPORT.

Each combatant will report to the Commission in the dressing rooms at least one (1) hour before their scheduled time of the first match. ()

602. COSTUME AND EQUIPMENT.

01. Costume. Each combatant on a program will provide the Commission approved ring costume. ()

02. Fit. The trunks must be loose fitting and made of a lightweight cloth. The belt of the trunks must not extend above the waist line. ()

03. Other Equipment. Each combatant will wear: ()

a. A mouthpiece which has been individually fitted; and ()

b. An abdominal cup. ()

603. COMBATANT'S PHYSICAL APPEARANCE.

01. Grease or Foreign Substances. The excessive use of grease or any other foreign substance may not be used on the face of a combatant. The referees or the Commission will cause any excessive grease or foreign substance to be removed. ()

02. Hair. The Commission will determine whether head or facial hair presents any hazard to the safety of the combatant or their opponent or will interfere with the supervision and conduct of the contest. ()

604. PHYSICIAN – SUITABLE PLACE TO EXAMINE COMBATANT – FEE – EMERGENCY TREATMENT.

01. Suitable Examination Place. The promoter will provide the physician designated by the Commission a suitable place to examine each combatant. ()

02. Fees. The physician is entitled to receive a fee for their services at a bout. ()

03. Emergency Treatment. The physician will give any injured combatant temporary or emergency treatment in the arena or dressing room and no additional fee may be charged. ()

605. CONTINUOUS PRESENCE OF PHYSICIAN AT RINGSIDE.

01. Presence of Physician at Ringside. The physician designated by the Commission will sit at the immediate ringside at every event. A contest may not proceed unless the physician is seated at ringside. The physician must not leave until released by the Commission. ()

02. Injury to Combatant During Round. When a combatant appears to have been injured during the course of a round, their manager or second cannot attempt to render aid before the physician has had an opportunity to examine them. ()

606. PROCEDURE FOR USE OF SCORECARDS.

01. Scorecards. The Commission will give scorecards to each judge before the start of the contest. ()

02. Scoring by Judges. The judges will score each round of the contest on an individual scorecard and sign it. The scorekeeper will pick up the scorecard from each judge and turn in the scorecards at the Commission's desk at the end of the contest. ()

607. REFEREE'S INSTRUCTIONS TO COMBATANTS.

Before the contest, the referee will ask the combatant the name of their chief second, who will be in charge of any assistant seconds during the contest. The referee will call combatants together before each contest for final instructions, accompanied only by their chief second. ()

608. LIMITATIONS ON SECONDS.

01. Number of Seconds. No combatant will have more than three (3) seconds except that in a contest for a world title the Commission may authorize four (4) seconds. ()

02. Excessive Use of Water. Any excessive or undue spraying or throwing of water on any combatant by a second between rounds is prohibited. ()

609. PERSONS ALLOWED IN RING.
No persons other than the combatants and the referee may be in the ring during the progress of a round. ()

610. UNFAIR PRACTICES – DUTIES OF REFEREES.

01. Enforcing the Rules. A referee is responsible for enforcing the rules of the contest and cannot permit unfair practices that may cause injury to a combatant. ()

02. Warnings. Referees will warn the combatants whenever they are committing fouls. ()

03. Deducting Points. If a combatant persists in committing fouls after a warning, the referee may deduct points from or disqualify them. ()

611. STOPPING OF CONTEST – ONE-SIDED CONTEST – RISK OF INJURY – EXAMINATION BY PHYSICIAN.

01. One-Sided Contested. The referee may stop a contest at any stage if they consider it too one-sided or if either combatant is in such a condition that to continue might subject him to serious injury. ()

02. Risk of Injury and Examination by Physician. If a combatant sustains any injury concerning to the referee, the referee will call the physician into the ring to examine the combatant. The physician will give their opinion to the referee before the referee renders a decision in the matter. ()

612. STOPPING OF CONTEST – COMBATANT NOT HONESTLY COMPETING.
If the referee decides a combatant is not intelligently defending themselves, they may stop the contest before its scheduled completion, disqualify the combatant and recommend the purse of that combatant be held pending investigation by the Commission. The announcer will then inform the audience that no decision has been rendered. ()

613. FAILURE OF COMBATANT TO RESUME.
A combatant may not leave the ring during any one (1) minute rest period between rounds. If any combatant fails or refuses to resume the contest when the bell sounds signaling the commencement of the next round, the referee will award a decision of technical knockout to their opponent as of the round which has last been finished, unless the circumstances indicate to the referee the need for investigation or punitive action, in which event the referee will not give a decision and will recommend the purse or purses of either or both combatants to be withheld. ()

614. PROCEDURE WHEN COMBATANT IS KNOCKED OUT.
A combatant who has been knocked out will be kept in a prone position until they have recovered. Except for the referee or chief second who may remove the mouthpiece, no one may touch them until the ring physician enters the ring and attends to them. ()

615. CHANGE OF DECISION IN CONTEST.
The Commission will not change a decision rendered at the end of any contest unless the combatant files an appeal with the Commission providing documentation that demonstrates: ()

01. Collusion. Collusion affecting the result of the contest. ()

02. Error in Scoring. The compilation of scorecards of the judges showing an error which shows that the decision was given to the wrong combatant. ()

03. Error in Interpretation of Rules. As a result of an error in interpreting a provision of this chapter, the referee has rendered an incorrect decision, or ()

04. Failure of Drug Test. The Commission determines that there was a violation of Section 205. ()

616. PHYSICIAN'S REPORT TO COMMISSION AFTER CONTEST.
On the report which the Commission-designated physician files after a contest, they shall list each case in which a combatant was injured during the contest, or applied for medical aid after the contest. ()

617. – 699. (RESERVED)

700. GENERAL RULES NOT INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE.

01. Use of Official Rules for Art. Any rules not incorporated by reference must be submitted to the Commission for approval before the Commission will issue a sanctioning permit for the contest or exhibition at the Commission's sole discretion. ()

02. Gloves. Any gloves utilized must be in good condition as approved by the commission. For main and semi-main events, gloves will be in new condition and substantially similar for each combatant. ()

701. SUSPENSION OF MMA CONTEST FOR UNFORESEEN REASONS.

01. Unforeseen Reasons. If a contest has to be suspended for any reason other than the actions of the combatants, the referee will have the clock stopped and attend to the issue. The referee, Commission or Commission's representative will decide the length of time allotted to address the issue. All reasonable efforts are made to resume the contest as soon as possible. It is expected that the responsible party or parties make a true effort to resolve the issue. ()

02. Suspicious Circumstances. If the contest is unexpectedly stopped under suspicious circumstances, all or part of the following actions may take place: ()

a. If a combatant or his corner is involved, the offending combatant may be disqualified. ()

b. The combatant may be subject to investigation and discipline in the event of a violation of these rules. ()

c. In certain circumstances the matter may be referred to the appropriate law enforcement agency or the courts, or both. ()

702. – 799. (RESERVED)

800. BOXING – RULES.

A licensed combatant in a boxing contest must adhere to the Unified Rules of the Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports Unified Boxing Rules. ()

01. The Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports. The Commission adopts the Unified Boxing Rules of the Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports as the official Rules of the Idaho Athletic Commission for boxing. ()

02. Weights and Classes of Boxing Combatants. The classes and weights for each class are shown in the following schedule: ()

a. Strawweight – up to one hundred five (105) pounds. ()

b. Light-Flyweight – over one hundred five (105) to one hundred eight (108) pounds. ()

- c.** Flyweight – over one hundred eight (108) to one hundred twelve (112) pounds. ()
 - d.** Super Flyweight – over one hundred twelve (112) to one hundred fifteen (115) pounds. ()
 - e.** Bantamweight – over one hundred fifteen (115) to one hundred eighteen (118) pounds. ()
 - f.** Super Bantamweight – over one hundred eighteen (118) to one hundred twenty-two (122) pounds. ()
 - g.** Featherweight – over one hundred twenty-two (122) to one hundred twenty-six (126) pounds. ()
 - h.** Super Featherweight – over one hundred twenty-six (126) to one hundred thirty (130) pounds. ()
 - i.** Lightweight – over one hundred thirty (130) to one hundred thirty-five (135) pounds. ()
 - j.** Super Lightweight – over one hundred thirty-five (135) to one hundred forty (140) pounds. ()
 - k.** Welterweight – over one hundred forty (140) to one hundred forty-seven (147) pounds. ()
 - l.** Super Welterweight – over one hundred forty-seven (147) to one hundred fifty-four (154) pounds. ()
 - m.** Middleweight – over one hundred fifty-four (154) to one hundred sixty (160) pounds. ()
 - n.** Super Middleweight – over one hundred sixty (160) to one hundred sixty-eight (168) pounds. ()
 - o.** Light-Heavyweight – over one hundred sixty-eight (168) to one hundred seventy-five (175) pounds. ()
 - p.** Cruiserweight – over one hundred seventy-five (175) to two hundred (200) pounds. ()
 - q.** Heavyweight – all over two hundred (200) pounds. ()
- 03. Exceeding Weight Allowances.** No contest may be scheduled and no combatant may engage in a boxing contest without the approval of the Commission if the difference in weight between combatants exceeds the allowance shown in the following schedule: ()
- a.** Up to one hundred eighteen (118) pounds – not more than three (3) pounds. ()
 - b.** One hundred eighteen (118) to one hundred twenty-six (126) pounds – not more than five (5) pounds. ()
 - c.** One hundred twenty-six (126) to one hundred thirty-five (135) pounds – not more than seven (7) pounds. ()
 - d.** One hundred thirty-five (135) to one hundred forty-seven (147) pounds – not more than nine (9) pounds. ()
 - e.** One hundred forty-seven (147) to one hundred sixty (160) pounds – not more than eleven (11) pounds. ()
 - f.** One hundred sixty (160) to one hundred seventy-five (175) – not more than twelve (12) pounds. ()

g. One hundred seventy-five (175) to one hundred ninety-five (195) pounds – not more than twenty (20) pounds. ()

h. One hundred ninety-five (195) pounds and over – no limit. ()

04. Licensing Exemption. Amateur Boxing Organizations that meet the conditions set forth within Section 54-406(3)(b), Idaho Code, are considered exempt from the licensing requirements set forth in these rules. ()

05. Boxing Gloves. The gloves used in a boxing contest must meet the following requirements: ()

a. All gloves will be examined by the Commission and the referee. The Commission or referee may require the examined gloves to be discarded and replaced with gloves acceptable to the Commission. ()

b. The gloves for every main event will be new, of the same brand for both combatants, furnished by the promoter, and of the size specified by the Commission. ()

c. Each combatant will wear gloves that are not less than eight (8) ounces and not more than ten (10) ounces in weight except that the Commission will set the weight of gloves to be used in a championship fight. Eight (8) ounce gloves will be used for all weight classes through welterweight (one hundred forty-seven (147) lbs). Super welterweight (above one hundred forty-seven (147) lbs) and above must use ten (10) ounce gloves. ()

06. Bandaging of Combatant's Hands. Bandages may not exceed one (1) winding of surgeon's adhesive tape, not over one and one-half (1 1/2) inches wide, placed directly on the hand to protect the part of the hand near the wrists. The tape may cross the back of the hand twice but may not extend within three-fourths (3/4) inch of the knuckles when the hand is clenched to make a fist. ()

a. Each combatant will use soft surgical bandage not over two (2) inches wide, held in place by not more than six (6) feet of surgeon's adhesive tape for each hand. Up to one (1) fifteen (15) yard roll of bandage may be used to complete the wrappings for each hand. Strips of tape may be used between the fingers to hold down the bandages. ()

b. Bandages must be adjusted in the dressing room in the presence of the Commission and both combatants. ()

801. BOXING RING. A boxing ring will meet the following requirements: ()

01. Ring Dimensions. The ring will be not less than sixteen (16) feet square not more than twenty-four (24) feet square within the ropes. The ring floor will extend at least eighteen (18) inches beyond the ropes. The ring floor will be padded with Ensolite or another similar closed-cell foam. Padding will extend beyond the ring ropes and over the edge of the platform, with a top covering of canvas, duck or similar material tightly stretched and laced to the ring platform. Material that tends to gather in lumps or ridges must not be used. ()

02. Ring Platform. The ring platform will not be more than four (4) feet above the floor of the building, and will be provided with suitable steps for use of combatants. Ring posts will be of metal, not more than three (3) inches in diameter, extending from the floor of the building to a height of fifty-eight (58) inches above the ring floor. Rings posts will be at least eighteen (18) inches away from the ropes. ()

03. Ropes. There will be four (4) padded ring ropes, not less than one (1) inch in diameter and wrapped in soft material. The lower rope will be eighteen (18) inches above the ring floor and offset four (4) inches to the outside of the ring from the ropes above. ()

802. KNOCKDOWN OF BOXING COMBATANT – PROCEDURE FOR COUNTING.

01. Knockdown. When a combatant is knocked down, the referee will order the opponent to retire to the farthest neutral corner of the ring, and immediately begin the count over the combatant who is down. If the opponent fails to stay in the farthest neutral corner, the referee will cease counting until he has returned to his corner and will then go on with the count from the point at which it was interrupted. The referee indicate the passing of the seconds. A combatant is knocked down, no combatant may be allowed to resume boxing until the referee has finished counting to eight (8) and is assured that the combatant just arisen is in condition to continue. ()

02. Knock-Out. When a combatant is knocked out, the referee will perform a full ten (10) second count unless, in the judgment of the referee, the safety for the combatant would be jeopardized by such a count. If the combatant is still down when the referee calls the count of ten (10), the referee will indicate there has been a knockout. ()

03. Both Combatants Down. If both combatants go down at the same time, the count will be continued as long as one (1) is still down. If both combatants remain down until the count of ten (10), the contest is stopped and the decision is a technical draw. ()

803. RESUMING COUNT ON BOXING COMBATANT.

If a knockdown occurs before the normal termination of a round and the boxer who is down stands up before the count of ten (10) is reached and then falls down immediately without being struck, the referee will resume the count where it was left off. If the combatant is on the ring platform outside the ropes, he must enter the ring immediately where he may resume the contest or take a count. The referee will start the count as soon as the combatant who had fallen is back in the ring. ()

01. Stalling Outside Ropes. If the combatant stalls for time outside the ropes, the referee will start the count without waiting for him to reenter the ring. ()

02. Combatant to Neutral Corner. When one (1) combatant has fallen through the ropes, the other combatant will retire to the farthest corner and stay there until ordered to continue the contest by the referee. ()

03. Penalty. A combatant who deliberately wrestles or throws an opponent from the ring, or who hits when he is partly out of the ring and is prevented by the ropes from assuming a position of defense, may be penalized. ()

804. BOXING COMBATANT DEEMED DOWN.

A boxer is deemed to be down when any part of his body other than his feet is on the floor or when he is prevented from falling to the floor by the ropes. ()

805. – 899. (RESERVED)

900. WRESTLING – SPECIAL LICENSE FOR A CONTEST.

Unless a special license has been obtained, all professional wrestling programs under the supervision and authority of the Commission are only exhibitions and not contests, and those exhibitions cannot be advertised or announced as contests. ()

901. WRESTLING – DISQUALIFICATION FOR DANGEROUS TACTICS.

01. Restrictions. The referee will not permit physically dangerous conduct or tactics. Any wrestler who fails to discontinue those tactics, after being warned by the referee, will be disqualified and have their purse held up and paid to the Commission. ()

02. Professionalism. A referee cannot participate in an exhibition to the extent that the Commission or the referee is made to look ridiculous. ()

902. LICENSEE'S DUTIES AT WRESTLING EXHIBITION.

01. Conduct. The referee, promoter and their agents, attaches and employees, and participants in any

wrestling exhibition will maintain peace, order and decency in the conduct of the exhibition. ()

02. No Abusive Behavior. A person involved in such exhibition will not abuse the referee or an official of the Commission. ()

03. Decision and Appeal. The Commission will hear any complaint about a referee or an official. ()

903. WRESTLERS – PHYSICAL EXAMINATION.

Any person applying for or renewing a license as a wrestler will first be examined by a physician approved by the Commission to establish physical and mental fitness. A wrestler will be furnished a list of approved examining physicians by the Commission. The Commission may order the examination of any wrestler for the purpose of determining whether the wrestler is fit and qualified to engage in further exhibitions. ()

904. – 999. (RESERVED)

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE SYNOPSIS

In compliance with Section 67-5223(4), Idaho Code, the following is a synopsis of the differences between the materials previously incorporated by reference in this rule that are currently of full force and effect and newly revised or amended versions of these same materials that are being proposed for incorporation by reference under this rulemaking.

The following agency of the state of Idaho has prepared this synopsis as part of the proposed rulemaking for the chapter cited here under the docket number specified:

***DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES
IDAPA 24.02.01 - Rules of the State Athletic Commission
Proposed Rulemaking - Docket No. 24-0201-2402***

Within the Idaho Athletic Commission's proposed rules, Rule 002.02 Incorporation by Reference – Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports Unified Rules of Mixed Martial Arts is being updated from the 2019 edition to the 2022 edition. The 2022 edition has been updated in the following ways:

1. Removes the requirement that states, "In instances where the fight has to be concluded due to unforeseen, non-combat related issues, the fight may go to the scoreboards if one-half the scheduled rounds, plus one second (1/2 +1) have been completed. If the non-combat stoppage occurs prior to the 1/2 +1 mark, the fight is to be scored a 'No Contest'."
2. Adds body gauze/tape to the restricted joint/body coverings and adds clarifying language that tape/gauze or any other unapproved materials are not allowed on the lower body. It additionally adds that approved sleeves must be black unless there is a matching of athletes where the sleeves are to be red or blue as assigned.
3. Changes the rules for stopping a bout to clarify that intentional fouls can stop a bout after half of the rounds are finished, whereas unintentional fouls can only stop a bout after a majority of the rounds have been completed.
4. Specifies referees' options in providing time consideration specifically in Low Blow vs Eye Poke injuries, whereas the 2019 document was more broad and didn't mention Low Blow or Eye Poke.
5. Allows for determining "dominance" in a round to include "a singularity or in combination, some types of submission attempts, strikes, or an overwhelming pace which is measure by

improved or aggressive positional changes that cause the losing fighter to consistently be in a defensive or reactive mode.”

6. The language of “technical draws” was updated to mirror the change to intentional/unintentional foul situations as described above.