

Athletic Commissioner Act

MINISTER'S ATHLETIC COMMISSIONER REGULATION

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SCHEDULE A**SCHEDULE B****PART 1 – INTERPRETATION****Definitions****1** In this regulation:

“**Act**” means the *Athletic Commissioner Act*;

“**agreed weight**” means the weight at which a contestant agrees, by contract with a promoter, to compete at an event;

“**banned substance**” means, subject to section 21 (2) [*drug and alcohol testing*], a substance or method listed by the World Anti-Doping Agency as a prohibited substance or method;

“**contestant**” means a professional athlete who holds a valid contestant licence, or a valid expedited contestant licence, issued under section 11 (1) [*actions by commissioner respecting licences*] of the Act;

“**event**” means a professional contest or exhibition;

“**fight record**” means a written list of the accumulation of wins, losses and draws a professional athlete acquires throughout his or her career;

“**home jurisdiction**” in respect of a contestant, means the province, in the case of a Canadian resident, state, in the case of an American resident, or country, in any other case, in which the contestant regularly trains;

“**judge**” means a judge, as defined in the Athletic Commissioner Regulation, who holds a valid judge licence issued under section 11 (1) of the Act;

“**knockdown timekeeper**” means an official who times knockouts in a boxing match and who holds a timekeeper licence issued under section 11 (1) of the Act;

“**match**” means a contest in an event;

“**matchmaker**” means a matchmaker, as defined in the Act, who holds a valid matchmaker licence issued under section 11 (1) of the Act;

“**mixed martial arts**” and “**MMA**” have the same meaning as “mixed martial arts” in the Athletic Commissioner Regulation;

“**post-match medical suspension**” means a period

- (a) that is ordered at the end of a match, in writing, by the commissioner, or another regulatory authority, on the recommendation of a ringside physician, and
- (b) during which the contestant is prohibited from competing in events and may be prohibited from engaging in specified training activities;

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“**promoter**” means a promoter, as defined in the Athletic Commissioner Regulation, who holds a valid promoter licence issued under section 11 (1) of the Act;

“**referee**” means a referee, as defined in the Athletic Commissioner Regulation, who holds a valid referee licence issued under section 11 (1) of the Act;

“**regulatory authority**”, in respect of a jurisdiction outside British Columbia, means the person or entity that performs functions for the jurisdiction similar to the commissioner’s functions;

“**ring**” includes a cage in relation to a sport for which a cage is authorized under the rules that apply to the sport;

“**ringside physician**” means an official who is a medical practitioner;

“**scorekeeper**” means a scorekeeper, as defined in the Athletic Commissioner Regulation, who holds a valid scorekeeper licence issued under section 11 (1) of the Act;

“**second**” means a second, as defined in the Act, who holds a valid second’s licence issued under section 11 (1) of the Act;

“**timekeeper**” means a timekeeper, as defined in the Athletic Commissioner Regulation, who holds a valid timekeeper licence issued under section 11 (1) of the Act;

“**weigh-in ceremony**” means the weighing of contestants in accordance with section 28 [*weigh-in ceremony*].

Officials prescribed

- 2 The following are prescribed for the purposes of paragraph (b) of the definition of “official” in section 1 of the Act:
- (a) scorekeeper;
 - (b) ringside physician;
 - (c) dressing room inspector.

Other licence requirements

- 3 Scorekeeping is prescribed for the purposes of section 9 (d) [*licence required*] of the Act.

PART 2 – LICENCES AND EVENT PERMITS**Division 1 – Applications for Licences****General requirements – licence applications**

- 4 (1) An applicant for a licence must provide all the following information in respect of the applicant:
- (a) in the case of an individual,

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- (i) full legal name and any aliases or stage names the applicant uses or has used,
 - (ii) complete residential and mailing address, and an email address if one is available,
 - (iii) telephone number at which the applicant can be reached during the day,
 - (iv) date of birth,
 - (v) country of citizenship, and
 - (vi) sex;
- (b) in the case of a corporation,
- (i) full legal name and any operating name the applicant uses or has used,
 - (ii) if the applicant was incorporated in British Columbia, a copy of the corporation's certificate of incorporation issued under the *Business Corporations Act* or a predecessor Act,
 - (iii) if the applicant was incorporated outside of British Columbia, a copy of the corporation's certificate of registration issued under the *Business Corporations Act* or a predecessor Act,
 - (iv) complete business and mailing address,
 - (v) jurisdiction in which the applicant is incorporated, evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of the incorporation and the address of the head office of the corporation, and
 - (vi) name, phone number and email address, if an email address is available, of the officer or employee submitting the application on behalf of the applicant;
- (c) in the case of a business association that is not a corporation,
- (i) full legal name and any operating name the applicant uses or has used,
 - (ii) complete business and mailing address,
 - (iii) jurisdiction in which the applicant is registered and address of the head office of the corporation, and
 - (iv) name, phone number and email address, if an email address is available, of the individual submitting the application on behalf of the applicant;
- (d) in all cases, a list of the jurisdictions in which the applicant holds or has held a licence or other authorization of the same category as the licence to which the application relates, the licence or authorization number, if any, and the expiry date of each licence or authorization.
- (2) An applicant must provide to the commissioner the authorizations the commissioner considers necessary for the commissioner to

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- (a) verify the information provided in the application, and
 - (b) perform other background checks on the applicant or its officers or directors, which may include, but are not limited to, criminal record checks, police record checks and credit checks, the commissioner considers necessary in order to determine whether the applicant is eligible for the licence or to make a decision under section 11 (1) [*actions by commissioner respecting licence*] or 15 (1) [*actions by commissioner respecting event permits*] of the Act.
- (3) The fees and other payments referred to in section 10 (c) [*application for licence*] of the Act must be paid by certified cheque, money order or electronic funds transfer.

Contestant licence applications

- 5** An applicant for a contestant licence or an expedited contestant licence must provide all the following in respect of the applicant:
- (a) the applicant's fight record;
 - (b) certifications achieved in boxing or a martial art, as applicable;
 - (c) 2 colour photographs that are 50 mm wide by 70 mm high and have been taken within the 6-month period immediately preceding the date of application;
 - (d) the written report of a physician, in the English language, of a physical examination performed on the applicant by the physician in the 12-month period immediately preceding the date of application, which report sets out the information required to complete the form set out as Schedule A;
 - (e) height, weight, hair colour and eye colour;
 - (f) home jurisdiction, the name and address of the facility at which the applicant regularly trains and the name of the applicant's trainer;
 - (g) if the applicant has been disciplined by another regulatory authority in relation to an authorization issued by the regulatory authority for boxing, MMA or a martial art, the circumstances giving rise to the discipline and the sanction imposed;
 - (h) name, address and phone number of a person who can be contacted in the event of an emergency.

Expedited licence

- 6** If
- (a) a promoter proposes to add a professional athlete to the program for an event less than 14 days before the event, and
 - (b) the professional athlete does not hold a contestant licence,
- before the promoter adds the professional athlete to the program, that professional athlete must apply for and obtain an expedited contestant licence.

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Matchmaker licence applications

- 7 An applicant for a matchmaker licence must provide all the following:
- (a) if the applicant has ever been investigated for wrongdoing in respect of a matchmaker licence or authorization from any jurisdiction, details of the investigation, results and consequences;
 - (b) the applicant's experience as a matchmaker in the 5-year period immediately preceding the date of application, including locations and dates of the events or matches for which the applicant made the matches;
 - (c) the following declarations:
 - (i) of any financial interest the applicant has in a professional athlete or in a business entity or individual involved in the sport to which the application relates;
 - (ii) of any relationship, whether by blood, adoption or marriage, the applicant has with a professional athlete or official, including name and relationship.

Official licence applications

- 8 An applicant for a licence to act as an official must provide all the following:
- (a) the class of official licence the applicant is requesting;
 - (b) the applicant's declaration that the applicant will not appear as an official at an event under the influence of a substance that could impair his or her judgment in performing his or her official duties;
 - (c) evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant is qualified to act as the applicable official, which evidence may include, but is not limited to, completion of applicable training;
 - (d) if the application is for a judge licence or a referee licence, the written report of an ophthalmologist or optometrist, in the English language, of an eye examination performed on the applicant by the ophthalmologist or optometrist in the 12-month period immediately preceding the date of application, which report sets out the information required to complete the form set out as Schedule B;
 - (e) if the application is for a referee licence, the certification, in the English language, of a physician that the applicant is fit to carry out his or her duties as a referee.

Promoter licence applications

- 9 (1) An applicant for a promoter licence must provide all the following, as applicable:
- (a) if the applicant is a corporation that is required to file annual reports under the *Business Corporations Act*, a copy of the most recent annual report filed under that Act;

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- (b) if the applicant is a partnership, limited partnership or limited liability partnership registered under the *Partnership Act*, a copy of its most recent registration statement or certificate filed under that Act;
 - (c) whether the applicant, a principal of the applicant, in the case of a business association that is not a corporation, or an officer or director of the applicant, in the case of a corporation, has ever been investigated for wrongdoing in respect of a promoter licence or authorization from any jurisdiction, details of the investigation, results and consequences;
 - (d) the applicant's experience as a promoter, including locations and dates of events promoted by the applicant;
 - (e) the following declarations:
 - (i) of any financial interest the applicant has in a professional athlete or in a business entity or individual involved in the sport to which the application relates;
 - (ii) of any relationship, whether by blood, adoption or marriage, the applicant has with a professional athlete or official, including name and relationship.
- (2) A person is not eligible for a promoter licence if
- (a) the person is an undischarged bankrupt or is an officer or director of an undischarged bankrupt corporation, or
 - (b) the applicant is a corporation and an officer or director of the corporation is an undischarged bankrupt.

Term of licence

- 10** (1) In this section, “**licence year**”, in respect of a licence, means the period beginning on the date the licence is issued and ending on the same date in the next calendar year.
- (2) A licence is valid for its licence year unless earlier suspended or cancelled under the Act.

Division 2 – Application for Event Permit**Application for event permit**

- 11** (1) The promoter of an event must apply to the commissioner for an event permit at least 60 days before the proposed date of the event.
- (2) An applicant for an event permit must provide the following information in respect of the proposed event:
- (a) date and place;
 - (b) type of sporting event;
 - (c) whether the event is being held for profit or on behalf of a charitable organization;

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- (d) the proposed program for the event, including number and sequence of matches, intermission placement and duration and a description of the proposed exhibitions or entertainment that will be presented between matches;
 - (e) anticipated attendance.
- (3) An applicant must provide the following information:
- (a) the applicant's promoter licence number;
 - (b) whether there have been any changes in the information provided in the application for the promoter's promoter licence and, if so, the details of those changes;
 - (c) the following declarations:
 - (i) of any financial interest the applicant has in a professional athlete or in a business entity or individual involved in the sport to which the application relates;
 - (ii) of any relationship, whether by blood, adoption or marriage, the applicant has with a professional athlete or official, including name and relationship;
 - (d) if the event is being promoted on behalf of a charitable organization, the following information:
 - (i) the name of the charitable organization;
 - (ii) the charitable organization's registered charity number;
 - (iii) the primary business address and contact information for the charitable organization;
 - (iv) authorizations the commissioner considers necessary to verify the information provided under this paragraph;
 - (e) whether the promoter acts as matchmaker for the event, and, if not, the name of the matchmaker for the event.
- (4) An applicant for an event permit must provide the authorizations the commissioner considers necessary for the commissioner to
- (a) verify the information provided in the application, and
 - (b) perform other background checks on the applicant or its officers or directors, which may include, but are not limited to, criminal record checks, police record checks and credit checks, the commissioner considers necessary to determine whether the applicant is eligible for the event permit or to make a decision under section 15 (1) of the Act.

Division 3 – Terms and Conditions of Licences**Terms and conditions of contestant licence**

- 12** The following, as applicable, are terms and conditions of every contestant licence:

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- (a) the contestant must not participate in an event unless the promoter holds an event permit for the event;
- (b) the contestant must comply with the requirements set out in Division 5 [*Medical Requirements*];
- (c) the contestant must appear at the time scheduled for, and participate in, the weigh-in ceremony;
- (d) the contestant must
 - (i) be present in the locale where the event is to take place during the 30-hour period immediately before the event is scheduled to begin,
 - (ii) report to his or her dressing room at least 2 hours before the match is scheduled to begin, and
 - (iii) remain in his or her dressing room until ordered to the ring by an official or the commissioner;
- (e) if, before an event, the ringside physician determines that the contestant is not fit to compete, the contestant must not compete in the event;
- (f) the contestant must not use a banned substance;
- (g) the contestant must
 - (i) submit to a pre-match medical examination by the ringside physician,
 - (ii) submit to a medical examination in the course of a match on request of the ringside physician or referee, in the case of a mixed martial arts match, or of the referee, in the case of a boxing match, and
 - (iii) submit to a post-match medical examination by the ringside physician;
- (h) the contestant must consent in writing to
 - (i) submit to the medical examinations required under paragraph (g),
 - (ii) accept any emergency medical treatment recommended by the ringside physician before, during or after a match, and
 - (iii) any post-match medical suspension imposed on the contestant after a match;
- (i) the contestant may not use more than 3 seconds in a match unless the commissioner has approved;
- (j) the contestant must identify to the commissioner his or her seconds for an event at the time the contestant must appear under section 19 (2) [*contestants – pre-match medical requirements*] for a pre-match medical examination, and, if the contestant has more than one second for a match, the contestant must designate one second as the chief second for the match;
- (k) the commissioner may disqualify a contestant from an event if the contestant's second fails to comply with section 32 [*second duties*] or a term or condition of the second's licence.

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Terms and conditions of matchmaker licence

- 13** The matchmaker for an event must ensure that
- (a) the contestants for each match on the program for the event are suitable on the basis of fight record and weight to compete with each other, and
 - (b) the contestants for each match on the program for the event are not likely to be subject to a post-match medical suspension, or a licence suspension in this or another jurisdiction, at the time of the event.

Terms and conditions of official licence

- 14** An official must not appear as an official for an event under the influence of a substance that could impair his or her judgment in performing his or her official duties.

Terms and conditions of second's licence

- 15** A second who fails to comply with section 32 [*second duties*] or a term or condition of the second's licence may be ejected from the event by the commissioner.

Division 4 – Terms and Conditions of Event Permits**Terms and conditions of event permits**

- 16** (1) The following are terms and conditions of every event permit:
- (a) at least 14 days before the date of an event, the promoter must provide to the commissioner all the following information in respect of the event:
 - (i) a list of the proposed matches, including for each the names of the proposed contestants, whether the match is a boxing or MMA event and the weight class of the contestants;
 - (ii) the number of rounds proposed for each proposed match;
 - (iii) the amount of the purse for each proposed match;
 - (iv) for each proposed match, a declaration signed by a matchmaker that the contestants proposed for the match are suitable competitors;
 - (v) changes that are not otherwise reported under this paragraph in the proposed program provided under section 11 (2) (d);
 - (vi) other information requested by the commissioner;
 - (b) at least 7 days before the date of an event, the promoter must provide to the commissioner,
 - (i) if the information provided under paragraph (a) has not changed, confirmation of that information,
 - (ii) if the information provided under paragraph (a) has changed, the new information and, if the contestants for a match have changed, a declaration referred to in paragraph (a) (iv) in respect of the new contestants, and

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- (iii) any other information requested by the commissioner;
- (c) a promoter must not add contestants to the program for an event less than 3 days before the date scheduled for the event without the approval of the commissioner;
- (d) a promoter must advise the commissioner as soon as practicable, but no later than 24 hours before the event is scheduled to begin, of any changes in the information provided under paragraph (a) or (b);
- (e) a promoter must ensure that each contestant in an event is present in the locale where the event is to take place during the 30-hour period immediately before the event is scheduled to begin;
- (f) if a promoter learns that a contestant scheduled for a match in an event is unable to participate in the event, the promoter must immediately notify the commissioner in writing and provide, in respect of any substitute contestant, the information that the promoter was required to provide to the commissioner in respect of the other contestants in the event;
- (g) if there is a change in the program for an event after the program has been announced to the public, the promoter must post notice of the change at each box office at the event;
- (h) at or before the weigh-in ceremony for an event, the promoter must provide to the commissioner a copy of each signed contract between the promoter and a contestant and the contestant's fight record;
- (i) the promoter of an event, at the promoter's expense, must ensure that emergency medical services, including one ambulance, and at least 2 emergency medical assistants, as defined in the *Emergency Health Services Act*, which emergency medical assistants are qualified in licence categories the commissioner considers appropriate, are available at all times during the event;
- (j) the promoter of an event, at the promoter's expense, must arrange for and ensure the attendance of the security officers required under the security plan, or amended security plan, as applicable, submitted to the commissioner under section 18 (1) [*event security planning*];
- (k) the promoter of an event, at the promoter's expense, must reserve 6 front row seats at the event for the commissioner's use and deliver to the commissioner, at least 5 days before the date of the event, tickets or passes authorizing admission to the reserved seats;
- (l) the promoter must provide to the commissioner within the 15-day period after the event
 - (i) a statutory declaration or affidavit of the promoter, or in the case of a corporation, of an officer or director of the corporation, stating the gross gate receipts for the event, and

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- (ii) the amount payable in respect of the event, by certified cheque, money order or electronic funds transfer, under section 5 [*gate receipts*] of the Athletic Commissioner Regulation;
 - (m) the promoter must not pay amounts owing to a contestant for an event unless the contestant has consented in writing to any post-match medical suspension imposed after the event;
 - (n) the promoter must pay all amounts owing to contestants for the event in the presence of the commissioner or a person designated by the commissioner.
- (2) A term or condition under subsection (1) is not met until any information or document the term or condition requires to be provided is satisfactory to the commissioner.

Promoter security requirements

- 17**
- (1) No later than 30 days and no earlier than 60 days before the scheduled date of an event, the promoter must provide evidence to the commissioner that the promoter holds at least \$5 000 000 of third party liability insurance coverage for the event.
 - (2) No later than 21 days before the scheduled date of an event, the promoter must provide to the commissioner a performance bond in the amount of \$25 000.
 - (3) The commissioner may realize on a bond provided under subsection (2) if the amount payable under section 5 of the Athletic Commissioner Regulation is not paid within 7 days after the expiry of the period specified in section 16 (1) of this regulation.
 - (4) No later than 7 days before the scheduled date of an event, the promoter must provide to the commissioner a certified cheque in an amount equal to the sum of the remuneration that is to be paid to the event officials under section 27 [*payment of officials*].
 - (5) If the amount payable under subsection (4) increases before the event begins, the promoter must provide to the commissioner another certified cheque in the amount of the increase.

Event security planning

- 18**
- (1) It is a term of every event permit that, no later than 30 days before the date scheduled for an event, the promoter must provide to the commissioner a security plan for the event, which security plan is acceptable to the commissioner.
 - (2) It is a term of every event permit that each time in the 30-day period referred to in subsection (1) that there is a change in a plan or information provided under that subsection, the promoter must provide to the commissioner an updated security plan that is acceptable to the commissioner.

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Division 5 – Medical Requirements**Contestants – pre-match requirements**

- 19** (1) At least 14 days before the date a contestant is scheduled to compete in an event, the contestant must provide to the commissioner all the following:
- (a) the written report of an ophthalmologist or optometrist, in the English language, of an eye examination performed on the contestant by the ophthalmologist or optometrist in the 90-day period immediately preceding the date of the event, which report sets out the information required to complete the form set out as Schedule B;
 - (b) the written report of a physician, in the English language, of a physical examination performed on the contestant by the physician in the 90-day period immediately preceding the date of the event, which report sets out the information required to complete the form set out as Schedule A;
 - (c) negative results of tests for HIV, hepatitis B and C and syphilis performed on samples taken from the contestant's body within the 90-day period immediately preceding the date of the event;
 - (d) if the applicant is over the age of 35, the results of a baseline electrocardiogram performed on the contestant in the 90-day period immediately preceding the date of the event;
 - (e) other medical information the commissioner requests as relevant to the contestant's condition.
- (2) At least 5 days before the date a female contestant is scheduled to compete in an event, the contestant must provide to the commissioner negative results of a pregnancy test performed by a physician on samples taken from the contestant within the 7-day period immediately preceding the date of the event.
- (3) A contestant must appear at the place and time specified by the promoter for a pre-match medical examination by the ringside physician.
- (4) If a contestant fails to consent to medical treatment recommended by the ringside physician, the contestant may not compete in the event.
- (5) If, after an examination referred to in subsection (3), the ringside physician determines that a contestant is not fit to compete, the contestant may not compete in the event.
- (6) A contestant, the contestant's manager or the promoter of the event must report the fact to the commissioner at the weigh-in ceremony if the contestant suffered an illness, injury or knockout within the preceding 90-day period.
- (7) If an event is postponed for more than 24 hours, a contestant must submit to another pre-match medical examination.

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Contestants – post-match requirements

- 20** (1) At the conclusion of a match, each contestant must
- (a) submit to a medical examination by the ringside physician, and
 - (b) provide a urine sample to be tested for the presence of blood.
- (2) As part of a post-match medical examination, the ringside physician may order the contestant to submit to a brain mapping technique or a magnetic resonance imaging scan.
- (3) If the commissioner imposes a post-match medical suspension after an examination referred to in subsection (1) (a), the contestant
- (a) must not compete in an event, or engage in prohibited training activities, for the period specified in the document imposing the suspension, and
 - (b) must acknowledge notice of the post-match medical suspension by signing the document imposing the suspension.

Drug and alcohol testing

- 21** (1) On request of the commissioner, a contestant licence holder must report for and provide samples for testing for the presence of a banned substance.
- (2) For the purposes of this regulation, the World Anti-Doping Agency's list of prohibited substances and methods applies as amended from time to time.
- (3) A contestant may not compete in an event if the contestant fails to comply with a request under subsection (1).

Commissioner may cancel post-match medical suspension

- 22** If the commissioner is satisfied that a contestant who is subject to a post-match medical suspension imposed by the commissioner is fit to compete in a match, the commissioner may cancel the post-match medical suspension.

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Rules for boxing events

- 23** (1) Subject to the Act and the regulations, a boxing event must be carried out in accordance with the Association of Boxing Commissions'
- (a) Unified Rules of Boxing, as amended from time to time, and
 - (b) Additional Female Unified Championship Rules, as amended from time to time.

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- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), a reference in the Unified Rules of Boxing or the Additional Female Unified Championship Rules to the term set out in Column 1 of the following table must be read as the term set out opposite in Column 2:

Table

Column 1	Column 2
bout	match
boxer	contestant

- (3) Boxers must compete in the following weight classes:
- (a) flyweight: maximum 50.8 kg (112 lb.);
 - (b) bantamweight: maximum 53.53 kg (118 lb.);
 - (c) featherweight: maximum 57.15 kg. (126 lb.);
 - (d) lightweight: maximum 61.24 kg (135 lb.);
 - (e) super lightweight: maximum 63.50 kg (140 lb.);
 - (f) welterweight: maximum 66.68 kg (147 lb.);
 - (g) super welterweight: maximum 69.85 kg (154 lb.);
 - (h) middleweight: maximum 72.57 kg (160 lb.);
 - (i) super middleweight: maximum 76.21 kg (168 lb.);
 - (j) light heavyweight: maximum 79.38 kg (175 lb.);
 - (k) cruiserweight: maximum 86.18 kg (190 lb.);
 - (l) heavyweight: over 86.18 kg (190 lb.).

Rules for MMA events

- 24** (1) Subject to the Act and the regulations, a mixed martial arts event must be carried out in accordance with the Mixed Martial Arts Uniform Rules of Conduct, N.J.A.C. 13:46-24A, as amended from time to time.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), a reference in the Mixed Martial Arts Uniform Rules of Conduct to the term set out in Column 1 of the following table must be read as the term set out opposite in Column 2:

Table

Column 1	Column 2
bout	match
competition	match
fighter	contestant
inspector	dressing room inspector
mixed martial artist	contestant

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Catch-weight match

- 25** (1) In this section, “**catch-weight match**” means
- (a) a match between contestants in which the contestants are not within the same weight class, or
 - (b) a match between contestants at least one of whom exceeds his or her agreed weight.
- (2) Despite sections 23 (3) and 24 (1) or the contestants’ agreed weights, if the contestants agree to compete, the commissioner may allow a catch-weight match if the commissioner is satisfied that the match between the particular contestants would be fair, safe and competitive.

Officials required

- 26** (1) For each event in respect of which an event permit has been issued, the commissioner must designate
- (a) at least one referee,
 - (b) at least 3 judges,
 - (c) at least 2 ringside physicians,
 - (d) at least one timekeeper,
 - (e) if the event includes a boxing match, at least one knockdown timekeeper,
 - (f) at least one scorekeeper, and
 - (g) at least 4 dressing room inspectors.
- (2) The commissioner may designate more officials than are required under subsection (1) as the commissioner considers necessary for a particular event.
- (3) If a designated official is unable to perform or complete his or her duties at an event, the commissioner must
- (a) designate a substitute official, or
 - (b) if there is no substitute official available, cancel or terminate the event, as applicable.
- (4) The name of the referee for an event or match must not be disclosed before it is announced at the event.

Payment of officials

- 27** (1) An official described in Column 1 of the following table must be paid an amount, as determined by the commissioner, not less than the amount set out in Column 2, and not more than the amount set out in Column 3 of the table, opposite the official’s description in Column 1.
- (2) In addition to the amounts under subsection (1), an official who does not reside in the locale in which the event takes place must be paid

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- (a) \$120 for accommodation for each night the official is required to remain in the locale,
- (b) \$50 for meals for each day or part of a day the official is required to remain in the locale, and
- (c) the actual cost of transportation, arranged or approved by the commissioner, to and from the locale.
- (3) Despite subsection (2) (c), if an official is travelling in a private vehicle, the official must be paid \$0.51 per km if the official must travel more than 32 km, as estimated by the official in advance of the travel and approved by the commissioner.

Table

Column 1 Official	Column 2 Minimum Fee	Column 3 Maximum Fee
Referee for an event at a venue with a seating capacity of not more than 2 500	\$100	\$2 500
Referee for an event at a venue with a seating capacity of greater than 2 500	\$250	\$2 500
Ringside physician who performs the pre-match medical examinations for an event at a venue with a seating capacity of not more than 2 500	\$1 000	\$2 500
Ringside physician who does not perform the pre-match medical examinations for an event at a venue with a seating capacity of not more than 2 500	\$600	\$1 800
Ringside physician who performs the pre-match medical examinations for an event at a venue with a seating capacity of greater than 2 500	\$1 200	\$2 500
Ringside physician who does not perform the pre-match medical examinations for an event at a venue with a seating capacity of greater than 2 500	\$1 000	\$2 500
Judge	\$100	\$400
Scorekeeper	\$100	\$400
Timekeeper	\$100	\$400
Dressing room inspector	\$100	\$400

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Weigh-in ceremony

- 28**
- (1) The promoter of an event must ensure that a weigh-in ceremony takes place
 - (a) no earlier than 30 hours and no later than 24 hours before the scheduled time of the event, and
 - (b) at a location approved by the commissioner.
 - (2) Only scales approved by the commissioner may be used at a weigh-in ceremony.
 - (3) The scales referred to in subsection (2) must be available for use of contestants during the 2-hour period before the beginning of the weigh-in ceremony.
 - (4) The weighing of a contestant at a weigh-in ceremony must be performed
 - (a) by a person approved by the commissioner, and
 - (b) in the presence of
 - (i) the person who is to be the contestant's opponent, and
 - (ii) a representative of the commissioner.
 - (5) A contestant may compete in a match even if the contestant is up to 0.454 kg (1 lb.) over the contestant's agreed weight for the match, unless the match is a championship match.
 - (6) A contestant who is over his or her agreed weight, as modified under subsection (5), if applicable, by less than 3% must be given one hour to reduce to the applicable weight.
 - (7) A contestant who is 3% or more over his or her agreed weight, as modified under subsection (5), if applicable, may not compete in the event unless authorized by the commissioner.
 - (8) If an event is postponed for more than 24 hours, another weigh-in ceremony is required within the period referred to in subsection (1) in relation to the rescheduled event.

Event premises, facilities and equipment

- 29**
- (1) The promoter of an event must provide all the following at the event:
 - (a) a medical room that contains a bed and access to clean running water;
 - (b) tape and gauze as required under the rules referred to in section 23 [*rules for boxing events*] or 24 [*rules for MMA events*];
 - (c) an assortment of gloves in various sizes to be selected by contestants at the weigh-in ceremony.
 - (2) If the event is a professional boxing contest or exhibition, the promoter must provide a ring that meets all the following requirements:
 - (a) the ring must be square and each side of the ring within the ropes must not be less than 4.8 m (18 ft.) or more than 6.1 m (20 ft.);

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- (b) the ring must be surrounded by an apron that extends not less than 68 cm (27 in.) and not more than 76 cm (30 in.) beyond the ropes;
- (c) the floor of the ring must have a 2.54-cm (1 in.) base made of wood or other suitable material and padded with a 2.54-cm (1 in.) layer of ensolite or similar closed-cell foam padding;
- (d) the padding on the floor of the ring must be covered with canvas or other suitable material that is tightly stretched over the padding and tied securely under the apron;
- (e) the ring must be equipped with 4 metal corner posts that are padded in a manner approved by the commissioner;
- (f) the ring must be constructed of not fewer than 4 horizontal tightly strung ropes that are at least 2.54 cm (1 in.) in diameter and wrapped in soft material, which ropes begin at 46 cm (18 in.) from the ring floor and end at 137 cm (54 in.) from the ring floor;
- (g) the ropes on each side of the ring must be secured by 2 vertical ties equidistant from the corner posts to keep the ropes from spreading apart;
- (h) there must be at least 2 sets of stairs up to the ring.

Ringside physicians

- 30**
- (1) A ringside physician for an event must conduct the pre- and post-match medical examinations.
 - (2) A ringside physician for an event must be available at the ringside during a match.
 - (3) During a match, a ringside physician may enter the ring and examine a contestant to determine if the contestant is able to continue the match only if the referee suspends the match for that purpose, either on request of the ringside physician or on the referee's initiative.
 - (4) If the referee suspends a match under subsection (3), the timekeeper must note the time at which the round was suspended and the applicable of the following:
 - (a) if the match continues, the time at which it continued;
 - (b) if the match is stopped, record the time the match was suspended as the time the match stopped.
 - (5) If, on an examination under subsection (3), the ringside physician is satisfied that a contestant is unable to continue the match, the ringside physician may direct the referee to stop the match and, in that event, the referee must stop the match.
 - (6) If, on an examination under subsection (3), the ringside physician is satisfied that a contestant is able to continue the match, only the referee may give the order to continue the match.

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Injuries

- 31** (1) If, during a match, the ringside physician believes that a contestant has suffered an injury that may make it unsafe to complete the match, the physician must
- (a) request that the referee stop the match,
 - (b) provide emergency treatment,
 - (c) make the recommendations for further treatment, including without limitation, hospitalization, the physician considers necessary, and
 - (d) make a report to the commissioner of the injury, the treatment and the recommendations, if any.
- (2) If during a match, the ringside physician requests the referee to stop the match because of an injury, the referee must stop the match.
- (3) If a ringside physician considers it advisable, the ringside physician may order a contestant and the contestant's second to remain in the ring or on the premises for a period specified by the physician for observation by the physician.
- (4) If a ringside physician makes a recommendation under subsection (1) or an order under subsection (3), the contestant and second must comply.
- (5) If, during a match, a contestant is knocked unconscious, only the ringside physician, an emergency medical assistant or the referee may attend to the contestant.

Second duties

- 32** A second who appears with a contestant for a match must comply with the following rules:
- (a) if the contestant has more than one second, only the chief second may enter the ring between rounds;
 - (b) a second must not enter the ring until the timekeeper signals the end of a round;
 - (c) a second must leave the platform promptly when the timekeeper signals the beginning of a round and must remove from the platform anything the second brought onto the platform;
 - (d) a second must not apply water to a contestant's body between rounds, other than to spray water into the contestant's mouth;
 - (e) a second must not use monsel's solution, or a solution that is chemically similar to monsel's solution, in the ring during a match;
 - (f) a second may use only the following on a contestant during a match:
 - (i) thrombin, avetine and thrombin-soaked pads;
 - (ii) adrenaline 1/1 000 solution, but only for topical hemostasis of cuts and nosebleeds;
 - (iii) petroleum jelly;

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- (iv) gauze pads;
 - (v) adhesive surgeons' tape;
 - (vi) clean towels;
 - (vii) water;
 - (viii) cotton swabs;
 - (ix) ice in bags;
 - (x) eye iron;
- (g) a second must not interfere with the progress of a match or with the opposing contestant.

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SCHEDULE A

BC ATHLETIC COMMISSIONER – COMPLETE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM

A. CONTESTANT'S INFORMATION:

Name:	Surname	Legal First Name	Legal Middle Name(s)		
Address:	Street	City	Province/ State	Country	Postal Code/ZIP
Telephone:	Home (xxx-xxx-xxxx)		Other (xxx-xxx-xxxx)		
Medical Insurance #:					
Fight Record:	Won:	Lost:	Draw:	Date of Last Bout:	(yyyy-mm-dd)
Number of times knocked unconscious:					

B. PAST MEDICAL HISTORY:

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
1. Problems/Injuries to Eyes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Heart disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	15. Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Migraines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9. Heart murmur	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	16. Bleeding disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Concussion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10. Irregular heart beat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	17. Pinched nerve	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Hearing problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11. High blood pressure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	18. Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Facial injuries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12. Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	19. Broken bone(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Thyroid disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	13. Ulcers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	20. Previous surgery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Fainting spells	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	14. Kidney disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	21. Other medical problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If answered Yes above, please elaborate: _____

Present Medication(s) (list): _____ Allergies: _____

C. FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY:

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
1. Heart Attack	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9. Mental illness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. High blood pressure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Stroke	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10. Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Thyroid disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7. Lung disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11. Death at young age	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Bleeding disorders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12. Sudden death during exercise	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
						13. Other medical problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If answered Yes above, please elaborate: _____

Date of Birth:	(yyyy-mm-dd)	Height:	(lbs)	Weight:	(Feet/Inches)
Sex:	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	General Appearance:			
BP (sitting):		BP (supine):			
Pulse (beats/min):		<input type="checkbox"/> Regular		<input type="checkbox"/> Irregular	
ENT	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:			

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Neck (thyroid, larynx, masses)	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Lungs (breath sounds, chest wall, ribs)	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
CV (heart sounds, murmurs, pulses)	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Abdominal / inguinal	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Rectal / genitalia	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Spine / pelvis	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Joints / extremities	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Mental status	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Cranial Nerves		Normal	Abnormal	
	Pupillary reaction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
	Extra-ocular movements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
	Facial Symmetry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
	Facial Sensation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Gag reflex/tongue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comments:	
Motor function	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Sensory function	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Gait/Rhomberg	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Reflexes (sup. and deep/Babinski)	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Feet	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Hands	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	
Breasts (female)	<input type="checkbox"/> Normal	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	Comments:	

DIAGNOSTIC EVALUATION:

Blood Testing Required: [Note: results valid only 90 days prior to event]	<input type="checkbox"/> HIV	<input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis B (antigen report required even if immunized)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis C
Pregnancy Test:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		<input type="checkbox"/> No

I hereby certify that I have examined _____ on this date _____
 (print full legal name) (yyyy-mm-dd)

MUST CHECK ONE:

- There are **no** abnormalities in his or her physical examination that contraindicate competing in professional boxing or combat sports at this time.
- There **are** abnormalities in his or her physical examination that contraindicate competing in professional boxing or combat sports at this time.

Recommendations: _____

Name of Physician: _____

Name of Professional _____ Registration

Governing Body _____ Number: _____

Office Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email: _____

Physician Signature: _____

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Schedule B

SCHEDULE B

BC ATHLETIC COMMISSIONER – EYE EXAMINATION FORM

A. CONTESTANT'S INFORMATION:

Name:	Surname	Legal First Name	Legal Middle Name(s)		
Address:	Street	City	Province/ State	Country	Postal Code/ZIP
Telephone:	Home (xxx-xxx-xxxx)		Other (xxx-xxx-xxxx)		
Medical Insurance #:		Date of Birth:	yyyy-mm-dd)		

B. EYE EXAMINATION:

Refractive State	(R): _____	(L): _____			
Visual Fields	(R): _____	(L): _____			
Visual Acuity	(R): ___/___	(L): ___/___	Both ___/___	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed	<input type="checkbox"/> Uncorrected
Fundi:	Cornea:	Intra-Ocular Pressure:			

I hereby certify that I have examined _____ on this date _____
(print full legal name) (yyyy-mm-dd)

MUST CHECK ONE:

Fit to compete in professional boxing or combat sports at this time Yes No

If No, please explain: _____

Name of Optometrist or Ophthalmologist: _____

Name of Professional Governing Body: _____

Registration Number: _____

Office Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email: _____

Signature Optometrist or Ophthalmologist: _____

[Provisions relevant to the enactment of this regulation: *Athletic Commissioner Act*, S.B.C. 2012, c. 29, sections 46 and 48]