## Rules of Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration Division 2040–Office of Athletics Chapter 3–Ticket Procedures

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## Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION Division 2040—Office of Athletics Chapter 3—Ticket Procedures

## 20 CSR 2040-3.011 Tickets and Taxes

*PURPOSE: This rule defines the procedures for printing, selling, and counting tickets.* 

(1) The right of admission to a contest of professional boxing, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing, and professional fullcontact karate shall not be sold or otherwise granted to a person or entity unless that person or entity is provided with a ticket.

(2) The promoter of a contest of professional boxing, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing, and professional full-contact karate shall:

(A) Prepare an inventory that identifies all tickets that were printed for the contest and that accounts for any tickets that are overprints, changes, or extras;

(B) Sign the inventory acknowledging that the inventory is true and correct;

(C) Send the inventory to the office with the permit application; and

(D) Submit with the permit application, a copy of the contract if the event was sold in part or in whole by means of a contract or other agreement for a contracted or otherwise agreed amount on partial sale and/or a contracted amount.

(3) Every ticket shall have the price, the name of the promoter, and the date of the contest.

(4) A notice specifying a change in ticket prices or the dates of a contest or a notice specifying an amendment to the contract value of a contest of professional boxing, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing, and professional full-contact karate shall be made in writing to the office within ten (10) business days of the event. The promoter shall obtain prior approval from the office for any date changes for the contest.

(5) A promoter may not issue complimentary tickets for more than four percent (4%) of the seats in the house without the office's written authorization. The promoter shall be responsible to pay the athletic tax prescribed in section 317.006.1(3), RSMo, for all complimentary tickets over and above the four percent (4%) maximum cap on complimentary tickets. If the office approves the issuance of complimentary tickets over and above the

four percent (4%) cap, the complimentary tickets that are exempt from the athletic tax are based on the lowest value complimentary tickets distributed. All complimentary tickets must indicate on the ticket that it is a complimentary ticket and its value had the ticket actually been purchased.

(6) A promoter shall be assessed the athletic tax prescribed in section 317.006.1(3), RSMo, for any complimentary ticket that the office allows to be distributed over the four percent (4%) maximum cap. The face value of the complimentary tickets over the four percent (4%) maximum cap shall be the same as other like tickets sold in that particular section of the venue.

(7) Each promoter shall provide a ticket and/or credential without charge to:

(A) Licensed contestants, seconds, and managers who are engaged in a bout which is part of the contest of professional boxing, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing, and professional full-contact karate; and

(B) Journalists who are performing his/her duties as such. Each ticket issued to a journalist must be clearly marked "PRESS." No more tickets may be issued to journalists than will permit seating in the press area.

(8) Notwithstanding other provisions of law in this regulation, the promoter of a contest of professional boxing, professional wrestling, professional kickboxing, and professional fullcontact karate shall admit to such contest the division director, executive director, administrator, and inspectors of the office, or authorized firefighters, police officers, security officers, and any other individuals authorized by the office assigned to work the event, any referee, judge, timekeeper, ringside physician, and medical personnel who are independent contractors of the office who are assigned to the event and who presents photo identification and an official badge or other credential evidencing such status. The promoter of a contest and officials of the venue shall allow a person listed in this section full access to the site of the contest and dressing rooms.

(9) Tickets of different prices may be printed on cardstock of distinctly different colors. The ticket stub shall indicate the price of the ticket.

(10) The inspector supervises the sale of tickets, ticket boxes, and entrances and exits for the purpose of checking admission controls. All ticket stubs collected by a ticket taker shall be deposited in a lock box provided by the office or other containers approved by the office. The inspector ensures that all tickets are counted and that the final accounting includes the number of complimentary tickets, the face value of each ticket, and the total number of each ticket price category sold, and the gross receipts from all ticket sales.

(11) The final accounting shall be completed and include the amount of tax due from the promoter to the office.

(12) Any promoter holding a license and permit under these rules shall pay the office five percent (5%) of its gross receipts, less state, county, and city taxes, derived from admission charges. The gross receipts are the amount received from the face value of all tickets sold, any complimentary tickets redeemed in excess of the four percent (4%) cap, and the value of any contracted amount, if applicable.

(13) The promoter is liable for payment of the athletic tax prescribed in section 317.006.1(3), RSMo, based upon the gross receipts. Such payment shall be made within ten (10) days of the event or two (2) days prior to the promoter's next scheduled event in Missouri, whichever occurs first.

(14) The office's executive director, administrator, or their designee shall collect all fees and taxes due.

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\*Original authority: 317.006, RSMo 1983, amended 1996, 2007.

## 20 CSR 2040-3.030 Approval of Nationally Recognized Amateur Sanctioning Bodies

*PURPOSE:* This rule provides requirements to obtain approval to sanction amateur mixed martial arts events.

(1) An amateur sanctioning body seeking the approval of the office shall file a written application for approval. The office will provide an application form on request; however, use of the form is optional. An applicant

shall provide supplemental information or affidavits establishing facts upon request within any reasonable time limit set by the office. Failure to timely respond to a request for supplemental information or affidavits may be deemed to be a withdrawal of the application.

(2) An application for approval shall include evidence of the amateur sanctioning body's national reputation.

(3) The office has observed that the nationally recognized sanctioning bodies with which it is familiar meet the following standards, and approves only those proposed nationally recognized amateur sanctioning bodies that meet the following requirements:

(A) The proposed nationally recognized amateur sanctioning body has a legal existence; it is incorporated or otherwise legally recognized under the laws of its domicile and is authorized to conduct business in Missouri. In the alternative, a proposed nationally recognized sanctioning body may irrevocably appoint the director of the Division of Professional Registration as its agent for service of process for all purposes in Missouri;

(B) The proposed nationally recognized amateur sanctioning body has rules that provide for the exclusion of professionals from its competitions;

(C) The proposed nationally recognized sanctioning body has rules that provide for the medical safety and care of its participants. At a minimum, the proposed nationally recognized sanctioning body has polices and procedures that:

1. Insure that bouts do not unreasonably endanger the health of competitors by requiring pre-bout physicals, excluding the medically unfit from competition, requiring the attendance of physicians at ringside, restricting the types of blows that can be delivered, limiting the time and frequency of bouts, and such other conditions recommended by medical advisors; and

2. Assure that payment for necessary emergency care for injuries sustained in competition in sanctioned events is available by, for example, purchasing insurance for events or requiring proof that competitors are medically insured;

(D) The proposed nationally recognized amateur sanctioning body has rules that provide for cooperation with the Office of Athletics that include:

1. The prompt investigation and resolution of complaints from participants, interested persons, and the office;

2. A policy of cooperation with the office, which at the least includes:

A. Advanced notification to the office of sanctioned events occurring in Missouri;

B. Admission of office officials without charge to any sanctioned event, and any portion of the venue;

C. Self-report to the office of any violation of the body's rules arising out of an event in Missouri;

D. A policy requiring all participants, officials, and the body itself to appear at reasonable times before the office and truthfully answer any lawful inquiry of the office; and

E. Sharing the dispositions of complaints with the office, upon request; and

3. A system of review that assures that the body fairly applies its rules; and

(E) The proposed nationally recognized amateur sanctioning body has rules that require the identification of the sanctioning body on all advertisements for events held in Missouri, at the site of any Missouri event, and upon all programs or handbills distributed at any Missouri event.

(4) The approval of a nationally recognized amateur sanctioning body expires on the thirtieth day of June in even numbered years. Renewal may be allowed upon application meeting the requirements of this rule.

(5) The office may decline to approve a nationally recognized amateur sanctioning body, or censure, probate, suspend, or revoke the approval of a nationally recognized amateur sanctioning body as provided in section 317.015.1, RSMo.

AUTHORITY: section 317.006.1, RSMo 2016.\* Original rule filed March 27, 2007, effective Sept. 30, 2007. Amended: Filed March 20, 2018, effective Sept. 30, 2018.

\*Original authority: 317.006, RSMo 1983, amended 1996, 2007.