

State of Washington

State Athletic Commission

(name of governing body)

(agency name, if applicable)

Resolution No. _____

Administrative Order No. 80-2

(1) Be it resolved by the State Athletic Commission acting at Seattle Airport Hilton, Seattle, WA.

(place)

that it does promulgate and adopted the annexed rules relating to:

- WAC 36-12-190 Duties of state inspector
WAC 36-12-110 Referee
WAC 36-12-200 Contestants
WAC 36-12-260 Seconds
WAC 36-12-270 Matchmakers
WAC 36-12-480 Method of Operation

(2) ALTERNATIVE A. Use only for Adoption of Permanent Rules.

This action is taken pursuant to Notice No. WSR 81-01-116 filed with the code reviser on December 24, 1980. Such rules shall take effect:

- [] pursuant to RCW 34.04.040(2).
[] at a later date, such date being _____

(2) ALTERNATIVE B. Use only for Adoption of Emergency Rules.

We, _____, find that an emergency exists and that the foregoing order is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare and that observance of the requirements of notice and opportunity to present views on the proposed action would be contrary to public interest. A statement of the facts constituting such emergency is:

Such rules are therefore adopted as emergency rules to take effect upon filing with the code reviser.

(3) Pursuant to the requirements of RCW 34.04, (1977 c 19 § 2) that "every agency shall incorporate the most specific, but in no case omit all, of the following language alternatives when adopting or amending rules" (fill in statement (a), (b), or (c) as appropriate):

- [] (a) This rule is promulgated pursuant to RCW _____ and is intended to administratively implement that statute.
[] (b) This rule is promulgated pursuant to RCW _____ which directs that the

(agency)

has authority to implement the provisions of

(name of act or RCW citation)

- [] (c) This rule is promulgated under the general rule-making authority of the State Athletic Commission (agency)

as authorized in RCW 67.08

(4) The undersigned hereby declares that he has complied with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act (chapter 42.30 RCW), the Administrative Procedure Act (chapter 34.04 RCW) or the Higher Education Administrative Procedure Act (chapter 28B.19 RCW), as appropriate, and the State Register Act (chapter 34.08 RCW).

(5) This order after being first recorded in the order register of this governing body is herewith transmitted to the Code Reviser for filing with the Code Reviser pursuant to chapter 34.04 RCW and chapter 1-12 WAC.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED January 28, 19 81

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By

[Signature]

Chairman

Title

CODE REVISER'S OFFICE WSR 81-05-005

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Order 74-2, filed 11/17/76)

WAC 36-12-110 REFEREE. (1) Effective July 1, ((1977)) 1981 the fee for referee's license will be ((~~\$40.00~~) \$15.00. The chief official of boxing contests shall be the referee, who shall have general supervision over bouts and take his place in the ring prior to each contest.

(2) The referee shall, before starting a contest, ascertain from each contestant the name of his chief second, and shall hold said chief second responsible for the conduct of his assistant seconds during the progress of the contest.

(3) The referee shall call contestants together before each bout for final instructions, at which time each contestant shall be accompanied by his chief second only. The principals after receiving instructions shall shake hands and retire to their corners. They shall not again shake hands until the beginning of the last round.

(4) No persons other than the contestants and the referee may enter the ring during the progress of a round.

(5) The referee shall inspect the bandages and the gloves and make sure that no foreign substances have been applied to either the gloves or any part of a boxer's head or body to the detriment of an opponent.

(6) Referees must wear dark trousers and shirt or uniforms subject to approval of the commission.

(7) All referees must take an annual physical and eye examination similar to that given to all applicants for boxers' and wrestlers' licenses and they shall be examined before officiating in any contest by the club physician before entering the ring the same as boxers and wrestlers; if such examinations indicate the referee is physically or otherwise disabled or incapacitated, such fact should be immediately reported, in writing, by the examining physician to the inspector in charge, who shall take appropriate action to replace such referee.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Order 74-2, filed 11/17/76)

WAC 36-12-190 DUTIES OF STATE INSPECTOR. (1) They shall attend to the forwarding of all reports to the executive secretary of the commission; prepare reports on suspensions, applications for re-installment, and all other matters arising in their respective districts which require joint action by the commission.

(2) They shall have under their charge the issuing of licenses to boxers, managers, seconds, wrestlers, referees, timekeepers, clubs, physicians, judges, announcers and trainers. They shall investigate applications for club licenses and report same to the commission but shall not issue club licenses except upon the order of the commission. They shall not reinstate anyone under suspension or release fines or money held for forfeiture, these being matters for action by the commission's representative in the form of certified checks made payable to the order of the state athletic commission of Washington.

(3) Inspectors shall report directly to the chief inspector of the district and be under his authority.

(4) Inspectors shall be in charge of all details of the contest that do not come under the jurisdiction of the other officials.

(5) Inspectors shall see that all necessary equipment is provided, that the contestants are ready on time, that the seconds are properly instructed in their duties, that the doctor's report and the statement of weights are delivered to the referee, and that all regulations pertaining to the proper conduct of the bout are enforced.

(6) Inspectors shall insist that clubs enforce the rule against gambling.

(7) Inspectors shall see that all seconds present a neat appearance and are attired according to the requirements of the rules.

(8) The referee's report shall be made on the form supplied for that purpose by the inspector. The referee shall sign the report in the presence of a state inspector after the termination of the show.

(9) In accordance with the law, each inspector shall receive for each contest officially attended a fee not to exceed one percent of the net gate of such contest up to a maximum of one hundred fifty dollars for closed circuit televised contests and three hundred dollars

for all other contests. Fifty dollars shall be the ((maximum)) mini-
imum charge for such fee with respect to closed circuit televised con-
 tests and twenty dollars for all other contests.

(10) Inspectors will check the number and places of ticket cans
 at the gates and see that they are sealed and padlocked. After the
 show have them opened and tickets counted under their supervision.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Order 74-2, filed 11/17/76)

WAC 36-12-200 CONTESTANTS. (1) Effective July 1, ((1977)) 1981
 the fee for wrestler's license will be ((~~\$7.00~~)) \$15.00.

(2) Effective July 1, ((1977)) 1981 the fee for boxer's license
 will be ((~~\$7.00~~)) \$15.00.

(3) Boxers and wrestlers may assume and use ring names, but the
 right to use any certain name is subject to the approval of the com-
 mission and may be denied either at the time of presenting application
 for license or later, should reason for such denial be brought before
 the commission.

(4) No professional boxer shall be allowed to sell tickets for
 any show in which he is engaged, on a commission basis or otherwise,
 on which he will receive remuneration for his services, as a boxer.

(5) Contestants shall report to the inspector in the dressing
 room at least one hour before they are due to appear in the ring.

(6) Contestants shall box in proper costume, including such foul
 proof protection cups as shall be listed as approved by the commission
 all of which shall be firmly adjusted before leaving the dressing
 room. Failure to obey this rule may result in a fine of not less than
 \$5.00 being imposed on the violator. Each boxer shall be equipped and
 use throughout the bout a custom made individually fabricated mouth
 guard.

(7) Boxers signed to engage in a contest must appear at scheduled
 ring time equipped with a pair of regulation trunks, which may be
 black, purple, dark green, dark red, dark blue or orange. These
 trunks must be of solid colors except white. They may be ornamented
 with a stripe around the belt and down the sides of a color which con-
 trasts with the trunks, but which must also be chosen from one of the
 colors above specified. These trunks may bear a suitable emblem or
 insignia provided it is not of a commercial or advertising nature.
 The contestants shall not wear the same colors in the ring.

Boxers must wear regulation trunks which are loose fitting and
 made of light-weight cloth similar to an athlete's "running pants."
 Tights will not be permitted.

The belt of the trunks shall not extend above the waist line.

Shoes shall be of soft material, and shall not be fitted with
 spikes, cleats, hard soles, or hard heels. Socks, rolled down to the
 tops of the shoes, may be of any color. No other apparel than above
 specified may be worn in the ring, except a bath robe, sweat clothes
 or jacket.

(8) The use of grease or other substances that might handicap an
 opponent is prohibited.

(9) Contestants must be clean and present a tidy appearance and
 be cleanly shaved.

(10) Any contestant absenting himself from a show in which he has
 signed or has been signed by his duly licensed manager, to appear,
 without a valid written excuse or furnishing a certificate from a com-
 mission physician in advance in case of a physical disability, auto-
 matically suspends himself for a period of sixty days. Any boxer who
 files a certificate from a commission physician stating that he is
 unable to fulfill a contract on account of physical disability must,
 on being restored to the eligible list fulfill his contract with the
 same opponent or a suitable substitute at the club specified in the
 contract within a reasonable time, such period to be set by the com-
 mission, unless the boxer is released from the contract by mutual
 agreement.

(11) A boxer must be in the city where appearing, forty-eight
 hours before the contest. Main event boxers scheduled to appear ((on
 [in])) in cities of more than 75,000 population shall be present in
 such city at least five days in advance of the date on which the bout

is scheduled for the purpose of training, publicity and for whatever other purposes the promoter may desire.

Any boxer or manager of boxers who violates this rule will be suspended and fined.

When a boxer competes in a bout of more than four rounds he will not be allowed to compete again until six days have elapsed.

When a boxer competes in a bout of four rounds or less, he will not be allowed to compete again until two days have elapsed.

(12) No one shall be allowed in the boxer's dressing room except his manager, seconds and commission or club representatives.

(13) In each application for a bout, the results of the last six bouts for each main event contestant shall be included in a sworn statement signed by the boxer, manager and promoter. This shall include a clause certifying that the boxer is in excellent physical condition and is not concealing an illness or injury.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Rule .04.250, filed 9/22/60)

WAC 36-12-250 MANAGERS. (1) Manager's license fee will be (~~(\$25.00)~~) \$40.00 per annum.

(2) Managers must not sign a contract for the appearance of any boxer with whom he has not a written contract on file with the commission. Contracts between boxer and manager must be on a contract form approved by and furnished by the commission, except that any particular contract form not furnished by the commission may be approved by the commission as a whole. A contract between a manager and a boxer on file with the commission will be recognized until such time as a court of competent jurisdiction determines it to be of no further force and effect.

(3) Managers must not attempt to select or insist upon the selection of any designated referee in a bout in which a boxer under his management is to appear and shall not have the name of such referee written into the official contract, under penalty of a fine of not less than \$100.00. Managers cannot contribute to the pay of any referee under any circumstances.

(4) Managers who act as seconds for their own boxers, exclusively, are not required to take out a second's license.

(5) Contracts between manager and boxer are not transferable except with approval and consent of the commission and may be voided by the commission for cause. In case of a minor, the contract must be executed by his proper legal guardian. To settle dispute, birth certificate may be required.

(6) All contracts between manager and boxer must be in writing and signed in triplicate, the original filed with the commission for approval. Contracts must state the division of the boxer's earnings, which in no case shall allow the manager more than 33-1/3 per cent of the boxer's purse.

(7) No assignment of any part or parts of a boxer's or a manager's interest in a contract can be made without the written approval and consent of the commission.

(8) No manager shall be allowed to contract for the services of a boxer under his management for a match to take place on a date after the expiration of the contract between the boxer and the manager.

(9) Any boxer not under contract to a manager can make his own matches, sign contracts and need not apply for a manager's license to handle his own affairs.

(10) In cases where boxers sign contracts with managers the boxer's share of any purse which he may earn will not be less than 66-2/3 per cent.

(11) If a manager shall fail to make application for a license he shall forfeit all rights to boxers on whom he has filed contracts in this state and the boxer shall be free to sign contracts with other licensed managers. Managers must file contracts on all boxers under their management.

(12) If a manager is doing business for a boxer not signed to a contract, such boxer must personally sign all contracts for appearances at licensed clubs and his signature must be properly witnessed.

(13) No boxer can have more than one manager without the express approval of the commission.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Order 74-2, filed 11/17/76)

WAC 36-12-260 SECONDS. (1) Second's annual license fee effective July 1, (~~1977~~) 1981 will be (~~(\$5.00)~~) \$20.00.

(2) Seconds and managers acting as seconds must be neatly attired when in the ring and wear jerseys of plain colors and with sleeves. Sport shirts without ties are permissible. No advertising matter shall appear on the person or clothing of seconds or managers (~~or~~) or on the person or clothing of anyone appearing in the ring in any capacity.

(3) A second holding only a second's license shall not attempt to act as a manager, or assist in any way in procuring matches, or take a share of the boxer's earnings. If found guilty of such actions he shall be suspended.

(4) Seconds shall not be more than three in number, including "house assistant second."

(5) Seconds must not coach or in any way assist a principal during a round, or by word or action attempt to heckle or annoy his opponent. They must remain seated in place, and be silent.

(6) Before a bout the referee shall be informed of the identity of the chief second.

(7) No father, brother, mother, sister or wife of a boxer shall be allowed to act as his second unless special permission is obtained in writing from the commission.

(8) Fans may be used between rounds, swinging of towels prohibited. Seconds must not spray or forcefully throw water on a contestant.

(9) Seconds shall not enter a ring until the bell indicates the end of a round. They shall leave the ring at the sound of the timer's whistle ten seconds before a round is to begin, removing all obstructions, buckets, stools, etc., promptly at the sounding of the gong.

(10) Violations of the above rules shall be followed by ejection of offenders from the ring corner; and may result in indefinite suspension of the offenders and disqualification of their principal by the referee.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Rule .04.270, filed 9/22/60)

WAC 36-12-270 MATCHMAKERS. (1) Matchmaker's license fee (~~(\$25.00)~~) \$40.00.

(2) Matchmakers must observe all the rules and requirements with respect to weight agreement and weighing-in, and the proper execution and filing of contracts.

(3) Matchmakers will be held responsible by the commission if they make matches in which one of the principals is outclassed. Persistent lack of judgment in this matter will be regarded as cause for canceling the license of the matchmaker and the club which he represents, for the protection of both the boxers and the public.

(4) Managers are not allowed to have more than three boxers under their management in any one show without special permission in writing from the commission. Matchmakers must rigidly enforce this rule.

(5) A matchmaker can make matches for only one club unless special written permission is obtained from the commission, after a vote has been taken.

(6) Any promoter or matchmaker who deals with an unlicensed manager may have his license revoked or suspended and he may be subject to such fine as the commission may determine.

(7) Any promoter or matchmaker found guilty of managing a boxer shall have his license suspended, and in the case of a promoter, his club license may be revoked.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Rule, filed 12/6/67)

WAC 36-12-480 METHOD OF OPERATION. The State Athletic Commission composed of three members appointed by the governor is generally

responsible for the supervision, licensing and control of all boxing contests and wrestling matches or exhibitions conducted within the state. The commission functions through announced periodic official commission meetings, throughout the state, which are open to the public, and conducts hearings in accordance with the practice and procedural rules, WAC 36-08-010 through WAC 36-08-520 where required. State inspectors are appointed by the commission to perform various duties as contained in WAC 36-12-190. The commission also employs a secretary. Submissions, inquiries and requests may be directed to the Athletic Commission secretary, in care of the commission office, ((240 East--Union~~7~~)) Olympia, Washington ((98504)) 98504 (telephone ((753-6478)) 753-3713).