

**WAC 36-12-240 To prevent injury to contestants—Physical qualifications and exams.** (1) A boxer applying for a license to box in this state shall meet the following standards:

(a) Be certified by a physician as described in RCW 67.08.002(11) to be physically fit to safely compete in professional boxing. The examination shall include, but not be limited to:

- (i) Eyesight;
- (ii) Blood pressure;
- (iii) Communicable blood diseases including, but not limited to, HIV, Hepatitis B, and Hepatitis C; and
- (iv) Other physical factors the department determines are necessary to show a boxer is physically fit to safely compete in professional boxing.

(b) In addition to the requirements of (a) of this subsection, if a boxer is over thirty-six years old, or has lost six consecutive fights, the physical certification in (a) of this subsection must include proof of:

- (i) A complete physical exam which includes a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) of the brain and an electrocardiogram (EKG); and
- (ii) Any other specialized medical testing that may be determined necessary by the department.

(2) The event physician shall examine boxers and referees within twenty-four hours prior to and immediately following an event as described under WAC 36-12-310.

(3) A boxer who tests positive for a drug prohibited by the World Anti-doping Agency on a drug test required by RCW 67.08.090(5) may not be allowed to box in events.

(4) When a contestant has been knocked out, none of the handlers are to touch the contestant until the attending physician enters the ring and personally attends the fallen contestant, and issues such instructions as deemed necessary to the contestant's handlers.

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