

1.1 **Boxing Commission**

1.2 **Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Boxing**

1.3 **2201.0010 AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE.**

1.4 The purpose of this chapter is to establish standards for the physical examination and
1.5 condition of boxers and referees and to establish other rules necessary to carry out the
1.6 purposes of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 341, including, but not limited to, the conduct
1.7 of boxing exhibitions, bouts, and fights, and their manner, supervision, time, and place
1.8 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 341.25.

1.9 **2201.0020 DEFINITIONS.**

1.10 Subpart 1. **Generally.** The terms used in this chapter have the meanings given them
1.11 in this part.

1.12 Subp. 2. **Amateur.** "Amateur" means an individual who participates in a tough
1.13 person contest as a pastime rather than a profession and who is not receiving or competing
1.14 for and has never received or competed for any purse or other article or thing of value that
1.15 exceeds \$50 in value for participating in a contest.

1.16 Subp. 3. **Association of Boxing Commissions or ABC.** "Association of Boxing
1.17 Commissions" or "ABC" means the Association of Boxing Commissions, of which the
1.18 Minnesota Boxing Commission is a member.

1.19 Subp. 4. **Boxer.** "Boxer" means an individual that practices the act of attack and
1.20 defense with the fists, using padded gloves. ~~Where applicable, boxer includes an individual~~
1.21 ~~who engages in the practice of boxing by using hands, feet, or both in any manner.~~

1.22 Subp. 5. **Combatant.** "Combatant" means a licensed boxer or ~~mixed martial artist~~
1.23 tough person.

1.24 Subp. 6. **Commission.** "Commission" means the Minnesota Boxing Commission.

2.1 Subp. 7. **Contest.** "Contest" means any professional competition, match, bout,
2.2 fight, or exhibition involving the practice of boxing, and any professional or amateur
2.3 competition, match, bout, fight, or exhibition involving the practice of using hands, feet,
2.4 or both in any manner.

2.5 Subp. 8. **Individual.** "Individual" means a living human being.

2.6 Subp. 9. **Person.** "Person" means a corporation, partnership, limited liability
2.7 company, or other business entity organized and existing under law, its officers and
2.8 directors, and any person holding 25 percent or more of the ownership of the corporation
2.9 that is authorized to do business under the laws of this state.

2.10 Subp. 10. **Physical examination or physical exam.** "Physical examination" or
2.11 "physical exam" means a current medical examination.

2.12 Subp. 11. **Pre-contest physical examination.** "Pre-contest physical examination"
2.13 means a physical examination performed by a physician licensed in this state that occurs
2.14 within the ~~36~~ three hours immediately prior to entering the ring.

2.15 Subp. 12. **Professional.** "Professional" means any person who competes for any
2.16 money prize or a prize that exceeds the value of \$50 or teaches, pursues, or assists in the
2.17 practice of boxing as a means of obtaining a livelihood or pecuniary gain.

2.18 Subp. 13. **Referee.** "Referee" means an individual that is the sole arbiter, umpire,
2.19 judge, or adjudicator of a boxing contest or a tough person contest.

2.20 Subp. 14. **Tough person.** "Tough person," "tough man," or "tough woman" means
2.21 ~~an individual~~ a boxer who engages in the practice of boxing by using hands, feet, or
2.22 both in any manner.

2.23 Subp. 15. **Tough person contest.** "Tough person contest" means any boxing contest
2.24 consisting of a maximum of four total rounds that do not exceed two minutes between

3.1 two or more individuals who use hands, feet, or both in any manner, and includes contests
3.2 marketed as tough person contests.

3.3 **2201.0100 INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE.**

3.4 The July 27, 2005, Regulatory Guidelines promulgated by the Association of
3.5 Boxing Commissions, 300 South Lenola Road, Maple Shade, New Jersey, 08052-3435,
3.6 is incorporated by reference and made part of this chapter except as qualified by this
3.7 chapter and Minnesota Statutes, chapter 341. The Regulatory Guidelines are not subject
3.8 to frequent change and a copy is available in the Office of the Boxing Commission, or
3.9 through the Minnesota statewide interlibrary loan system or in a public library. Portions of
3.10 this chapter may reproduce text from the Regulatory Guidelines. In the event of a conflict
3.11 between this chapter and the regulatory guidelines, this chapter will govern.

3.12 **2201.0300 PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND CONDITION.**

3.13 Subpart 1. **Generally.** All physical examinations must be performed by a physician
3.14 licensed in this state.

3.15 Subp. 2. **Applicants for boxer license.**

3.16 A. In addition to the results of a current medical examination as required by
3.17 Minnesota Statutes, section 341.30, subdivision 4, paragraph (c), each applicant for a
3.18 boxer license must submit to the commission evidence of testing and results for the
3.19 following conditions:

3.20 (1) HIV;

3.21 (2) Hepatitis B Surface Antigen; and

3.22 (3) Hepatitis C Antibody.

3.23 Each test and the results must be dated within the previous calendar year from the
3.24 date of the application.

4.1 B. Each applicant for a boxer license that has received a knockout judgment in
4.2 an immediately ~~preceeding~~ preceding contest must submit evidence of an MRI, MRA,
4.3 or EEG.

4.4 (1) An MRI of the brain shall be without contrast and performed on a 1.5
4.5 Tesla MR machine with capabilities including fast spin echo and FLAIR imaging. Image
4.6 sequencing should include axial T1, T2, and FLAIR images; coronal images should be
4.7 performed as a T2 coronal; and a single sagittal T1 sequence.

4.8 The MRI test and the results must be dated ~~within the previous five calendar years~~
4.9 ~~from~~ between the date of the knockout judgment and the date of the application, but may
4.10 be up to five calendar years old.

4.11 (2) An MRA of the brain shall include left and right internal carotids,
4.12 cerebral and basilar arteries, and the Circle of Willis.

4.13 (3) An EEG.

4.14 The test and the result of the MRA or the EEG must be dated between the date of the
4.15 knockout judgment and the date of the application, but must be dated within the previous
4.16 calendar year from the date of application.

4.17 C. Applicants that are 35 years of age or older must submit evidence of testing
4.18 and results for the following:

- 4.19 (1) physical examination;
- 4.20 (2) dilated eye examination;
- 4.21 (3) EKG baseline;
- 4.22 (4) CT or MRI baseline; and
- 4.23 (5) CT, MRI, or Neuro.

4.24 ~~The~~ Each test and the result results must be dated ~~between the date of the knockout~~
4.25 ~~judgment and~~ within the previous calendar year from the date of the application.

5.1 Subp. 3. **Applicant for referee license.** An applicant for a referee license is not
5.2 required to complete a physical examination.

5.3 **2201.0500 BOXING AND TOUGH PERSON CONTESTS.**

5.4 A. Each boxer or tough person shall complete a pre-contest physical
5.5 examination performed by a ringside physician licensed in this state who certifies in
5.6 writing whether or not the boxer or tough person is physically fit to safely compete. The
5.7 pre-contest physical examination shall include the condition of the boxer or tough person's
5.8 heart and general physical and neurological condition. The physician shall immediately
5.9 file with the commission a written report of the examination.

5.10 ~~B. Each boxer or tough person shall complete a post-contest physical performed~~
5.11 ~~by a ringside physician licensed in this state after the final bout of the event.~~

5.12 € B. Each female boxer or tough person shall submit to the commission a
5.13 negative pregnancy test, not more than 14 days old, prior to each contest.

5.14 C. Each boxer or tough person shall complete a postcontest physical
5.15 examination performed by a ringside physician licensed in this state after the final bout of
5.16 the event, the purpose of which is to identify any injuries sustained during the contest. The
5.17 physician shall immediately file with the commission a written report of the examination.