

## CHAPTER 341

## BOXING COMMISSION

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**341.21 DEFINITIONS.**

*[For text of subds 1 to 7, see M.S.2006]*

Subd. 8. **Mixed martial arts.** "Mixed martial arts" means any combination of boxing, kick boxing, wrestling, grappling, or other recognized martial arts.

**History:** 2007 c 135 art 3 s 30

**341.22 BOXING COMMISSION.**

There is hereby created the Minnesota Boxing Commission consisting of nine members who are citizens of this state. The members must be appointed by the governor. One member of the commission must be a retired judge of the Minnesota district court, Minnesota Court of Appeals, Minnesota Supreme Court, the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota, or the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, and at least three members must have knowledge of the boxing industry. At least four members must have knowledge of the mixed martial arts industry. The governor shall make serious efforts to appoint qualified women to serve on the commission. Membership terms, compensation of members, removal of members, the filling of membership vacancies, and fiscal year and reporting requirements must be as provided in sections 214.07 to 214.09. The provision of staff, administrative services, and office space; the review and processing of complaints; the setting of fees; and other provisions relating to commission operations must be as provided in chapter 214. The purpose of the commission is to protect health, promote safety, and ensure fair events.

**History:** 2007 c 135 art 3 s 31

**341.25 RULES.**

(a) The commission may adopt rules that include standards for the physical examination and condition of boxers and referees.

(b) The commission may adopt other rules necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter, including, but not limited to, the conduct of boxing exhibitions, bouts, and fights, and their manner, supervision, time, and place.

(c) The commission must adopt unified rules for mixed martial arts.

**History:** 2007 c 135 art 3 s 32

**341.27 COMMISSION DUTIES.**

The commission shall:

- (1) issue, deny, renew, suspend, or revoke licenses;
- (2) make and maintain records of its acts and proceedings including the issuance, denial, renewal, suspension, or revocation of licenses;
- (3) keep public records of the commission open to inspection at all reasonable times;
- (4) assist the director in the development of rules to be implemented under this chapter;
- (5) conform to the rules adopted under this chapter; and
- (6) develop policies and procedures for regulating mixed martial arts.

**History:** 2007 c 135 art 3 s 33

**341.28 REGULATION OF BOXING CONTESTS.**

*[For text of subd 1, see M.S.2006]*

Subd. 2. **Regulatory authority; tough person contests.** All tough person contests, including amateur tough person contests, are subject to this chapter. All tough person contests are subject to American Boxing Commission (ABC) rules. Every contestant in a tough person contest shall have a physical examination prior to their bouts. Every contestant in a tough person contest shall wear padded gloves that weigh at least 12 ounces. All tough person bouts are limited to two-minute rounds and a maximum of four total rounds. Officials at tough person bouts shall be licensed under this chapter.

Subd. 3. **Regulatory authority; similar sporting events.** All mixed martial arts, ultimate fight contests, and similar sporting events are subject to this chapter.

**History:** 2007 c 135 art 3 s 34,35

### 341.32 LICENSE FEES; EXPIRATION; RENEWAL.

*[For text of subd 1, see M.S.2006]*

Subd. 2. **Expiration and renewal.** A license issued after July 1, 2007, is valid for one year from the date it is issued and may be renewed by filing an application for renewal with the commission and payment of the license fee. An application for a license and renewal of a license must be on a form provided by the commission. There is a 30-day grace period during which a license may be renewed if a late filing penalty fee equal to the license fee is submitted with the regular license fee. A licensee that files late shall not conduct any activity regulated by this chapter until the commission has renewed the license. If the licensee fails to apply to the commission within the 30-day grace period, the licensee must apply for a new license under subdivision 1.

**History:** 2007 c 135 art 3 s 36

### 341.321 FEE SCHEDULE.

(a) The fee schedule for licenses issued by the Minnesota Boxing Commission is as follows:

- (1) referees, \$45 for each initial license and each renewal;
- (2) promoters, \$400 for each initial license and each renewal;
- (3) judges and knockdown judges, \$45 for each initial license and each renewal;
- (4) trainers, \$45 for each initial license and each renewal;
- (5) ring announcers, \$45 for each initial license and each renewal;
- (6) boxers' seconds, \$45 for each initial license and each renewal;
- (7) timekeepers, \$45 for each initial license and each renewal;
- (8) boxers, \$45 for each initial license and each renewal;
- (9) managers, \$45 for each initial license and each renewal; and
- (10) ringside physicians, \$45 for each initial license and each renewal.

(b) The commission shall establish and assess an event fee for each sporting event. The event fee is set at a minimum of \$1,500 per event or a percentage of the ticket sales as determined by the commission when the sporting event is scheduled.

(c) All fees collected by the Minnesota Boxing Commission must be deposited in the Boxing Commission account in the special revenue fund.

**History:** 2007 c 135 art 3 s 37