Chapter RL 110

DEFINITIONS, LICENSES, PERMITS

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RL 110.01 Scope and authority. Rules in chs. RL 110 to 116 are adopted under the authority of ch. 444, Stats. These rules govern all professional boxing or sparring shows conducted within the state of Wisconsin.

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RL 110.02 Definitions. As used in ch. 444, Stats., and in chs. RL 110 to 116:

(1) "Bout" means a contest between 2 boxers.

(2) "Boxer" means any person who is licensed under the provisions of ch. RL 115.

(3) "Cause" means any of the reasons listed in s. RL 116.01.

(4) "Knock-out" means that a boxer is down as described in s. RL 114.05 for at least 10 seconds as determined by the referee.

(5) "Permit" means a license issued to a professional club to conduct a specific professional boxing or sparring show.

(6) "Professional club" means a professional club licensed under ch. 444, Stats., to conduct professional boxing and sparring shows.

(7) "Show" means any boxing or sparring event the admission to which requires the purchase of a ticket or the payment of anything of value. "Show" and "exhibition" as used in ch. 444, Stats., have the same meaning.

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RL 110.03 Club license. (1) APPLICATION. An applicant for a professional club license shall, before conducting any sparring or boxing show in this state, submit an application on forms provided by the department together with the fee specified in s. 444.03, Stats., and be licensed by the department.

(2) ELIGIBILITY. (a) To be eligible for a license as a professional club an applicant shall:

1. Comply with the requirements in s. 444.03, Stats.;

2. Show proof of having a Wisconsin sales tax permit number;

3. Submit a copy of the articles of incorporation and proof that the secretary of state has filed the articles pursuant to s. 180.0123, Stats.; and

4. Identify all persons connected with or having a proprietary interest in the professional club.

(b) An application shall be denied if the applicant has committed any act which would, if committed by a licensee, subject the licensee to discipline under s. RL 116.01 (1).

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RL 110.04 Permits; application. (1) Application for a permit to conduct a professional show shall be made at least 15 calendar days before the date of the show by an authorized representative of a licensed professional club on forms provided by the department and shall include:

(a) The name and address of the professional club.

(b) The date, starting time and location of the proposed show.

(c) A detailed plan for evacuating a seriously injured boxer to a hospital including the name of the professional club representative responsible for evacuating an injured boxer, the method of removal from the ring and the means of transportation to the hospital.

(d) The time and location of the weigh-in and physical examination.

(e) A list of the participants in each bout and, if licensed, the participant's current license number. An applicant shall also provide the department with information concerning a boxer's boxing history, if requested by the department. If a participant is not licensed, the participant shall file an application for a license as a professional boxer. The club may substitute a boxer for any participant listed on the permit application, provided a request to substitute is submitted to the department no later than 4:30 p.m. of the 4th business day preceding the date of the show and the department approves the substitute boxer pursuant to this section and s. RL 110.05. The club may substitute up to and including 2 additional boxers at any time before a scheduled bout, provided that the boxer or boxers are licensed in Wisconsin, the boxer or boxers provide an affidavit that the boxer or boxers are not under suspension in Wisconsin or any other jurisdiction and both the inspector and the referee agree that permitting the boxer or boxers to fight in a specific scheduled bout would pose no unreasonable risk of harm to the boxers in that bout.

(f) A description of the method to be used for selecting judges and for judging and scoring bouts.

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(g) Proof of having obtained the insurance required in s. 444.18, Stats.

(h) Evidence satisfactory to the department that the club has entered into a valid agreement with the owner or manager of the facility where the boxing show will be conducted.

Note: Applications for permits are available on request to the Department of Regulation and Licensing, 1400 East Washington Avenue, Room 281, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, Wisconsin 53708.

(2) After receipt of an application for a permit to conduct a professional boxing show, the department may deny the application if the applicant does not provide all the required information, if the department does not have a referee, inspector or ringside physician available on that date or if one or more boxers are not licensed or otherwise eligible to fight, due to failure to comply with conditions in s. RL 114.06. The department may grant a permit for the show, but withhold approval of one or more boxers to fight in the show.

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RL 110.05 Licenses, permits, issuance and effect. (1) An application for any permit or license shall be granted or denied within 15 business days after receipt of the application.

(1m) If the department denies an application for a permit or refuses to approve a participant whose name has been submitted to the department by the applicant, it shall provide the applicant with the right to a hearing. If the department does not approve a boxer to fight in a show, the department shall provide the boxer with the right to a hearing. In either case, the department is not required to hold the hearing before the date submitted to the department pursuant to s. RL 110.04 (1) (b). (2) Issuance of a permit by the department authorizes a professional club to conduct a professional show under the control of the inspectors, referees and ringside physicians assigned and listed in the permit.

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RL 110.06 Strict compliance with permit required. All shows shall be conducted in strict accordance with the conditions stated in the permit which authorizes the show.

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RL 110.07 Cancelling a show. (1) At any time during the date of a show an inspector assigned to the show may cancel all or part of a show if:

(a) The inspector reasonably believes that the show is not being conducted according to rules in chs. RL 110 to 116 or the conditions stated in the permit which authorizes the show; or,

(b) The inspector reasonably believes that the show poses an unreasonable threat to the health or safety of a boxer, the spectators, or an official.

(2) The department may cancel a show at any time for violation of rules in chs. RL 110 to 116.

(3) A professional club may cancel a show by notifying the department at least 24 hours before the show is scheduled to begin.

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