

VERMONT STATE BOXING
COMMISSION



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and
REGULATIONS**

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PROFESSIONAL AND
AMATEUR BOXING**



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DEFINITIONS

"Commission" shall mean the Vermont Boxing Commission as established in Section I of the Vermont Boxing Law.

"Association" shall mean any person, club, organization, or association conducting boxing matches or exhibitions.

"Officials" shall mean the ring officials such as referee, timekeeper, judge, and physician.

"Representatives" shall mean those delegated to act as representatives or deputies of the Commission.

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1. No boxing contest shall be conducted except in the city or town specified in the license issued and in such places in the city or town as are approved by the Commission.

2. All applications for licenses or permits shall be made upon forms furnished by the Commission. Associations or persons holding licenses issued by this Commission shall not loan the license nor conduct a contest under any name other than that stated in the license.

3. No contestant under the age of 17 (seventeen) shall be allowed to engage in any boxing contest.

4. Boxing contests shall not exceed ten rounds in length, but if such contests are to determine championships they may, in the discretion of the Commission, exceed ten rounds in length but not fifteen. All rounds in semi-final and final bouts shall be three minutes in length, unless the Commission authorizes rounds of lesser length.

5. Promoters must determine that all contestants and all officials are duly licensed before permitting them to participate in any capacity in any boxing contest.

6. All officials taking part in amateur contests shall be licensed by the Commission.

7. All rings shall be properly constructed and padded.

8. All contests shall be conducted under the Marquis of Queensbury rules, except where changed or modified by order of the Commission.

9. No contestant under the same management as his opponent shall be permitted to engage in any contest.

10. Associations shall pay boxers the agreed compensation in full for their services immediately after the contest unless the same is declared forfeited by the referee in accordance with the law. No boxer shall be paid for his services before the bout. If a contest is stopped by the referee for any cause, the association shall at once turn over to the Commission's representative the amount of money which would have been paid the contestants.

11. Associations shall station an employee or a police officer at the doors of the dressing rooms and none but competing boxers, their managers and working seconds (not more than two to a boxer); physician, referee, matchmaker, and members of the Commission or their representatives shall be permitted to enter. All boxers must remain in their dressing room until the time for appearance in the ring.

12. The association shall display in not less than two places where a boxing match or exhibition is held, the following notice: "NO BETTING ALLOWED," in letters not less than six inches in height.

13. The association shall reserve three center ringside seats for the use of the Commission members or their representatives.

14. The association must start the matches at the advertised hours. No delays shall be permitted between matches, except that a ten-minute intermission may come between semi-final and final bouts. Each match must be ready to enter the ring after the finish of the preceding bout.

15. Managers or seconds are not to throw into the ring a towel, sponge, or any other article as an acknowledgment of defeat. Managers or seconds shall not coach or instruct their boxers by gesture or word of mouth during the progress of the rounds.

16. Associations shall file schedules for each and every boxing match or exhibition on blanks furnished by the Commission. This schedule shall be at the office of the Commission five days before the time of the exhibition, not including holidays and Sundays. The act of filing said schedule shall not be considered authority to conduct the exhibition. If the schedule is disapproved the Commission shall notify the association and the exhibition shall not take place.

17. Associations desiring to substitute boxers after filing the schedule shall give notice to the Commission at least three days before the scheduled match, stating the name of the substitute, the name of the boxer whose place he takes, together with the reason for the substitution.

18. All complimentary tickets shall be so marked and both ends clipped. Such complimentary tickets shall be figured in when computing the sum payable to the State. Not more than