

CHAPTER 23. AMATEUR BOXING

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§ 23.1. Relations with amateur athletic associations.

(a) The Commission may collaborate through the local amateur athletic associations in the conduct of amateur events in this Commonwealth, at its discretion. At no time may the authority of the Commission or the responsibility of the Commission to enforce the Athletic Code be relinquished, delegated or impaired, by or through the processes of collaboration.

(b) When the Commission collaborates with an amateur athletic association in the conduct of an amateur event, the rules and regulations of the amateur athletic association relating to weight classes, ring and ring equipment, conduct of contests and scoring system shall be in effect. However, if a controversy arises in connection with a subject which is not covered by the express provisions of this chapter, the Commission will reserve the right to finally pass upon the matter and to make whatever decision it deems to be fair and equitable under the circumstances. The decision will be final.

Authority

The provisions of this § 23.1 amended under the Athletic Code, 5 Pa.C.S. § 103(b)(1).

Source

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§ 23.2. Amateur events.

(a) An amateur event under the jurisdiction of the Commission may not be held without a permit for the event having been first secured by the sponsor from the Commission. Permits for amateur events shall be issued only to those sponsors approved by the Commission.

(b) The sponsor shall be responsible for the maintenance of order and the safety of persons present at each event under its sponsorship and it shall provide ample and effective police and fire protection at each event.

Authority

The provisions of this § 23.2 amended under the Athletic Code, 5 Pa.C.S. § 103(b)(1).

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§ 23.3. Matchmakers.

(a) Matchmakers for amateur boxing events need not be licensed by the Commission, but their actions shall be subject to Commission approval.

(b) Matchmakers shall be familiar with the records, the abilities and the physical condition of the amateur boxers whom they propose to pair for bouts.

§ 23.4. Boxers.

(a) The Commission will require each amateur boxer scheduled to appear in a contest under its jurisdiction to be examined by a physician.

(b) The Commission may suspend an amateur boxer who the Commission determines cannot safely defend himself or whose actions are deemed detrimental to the sport of boxing.

(c) Participants in amateur events under the jurisdiction of the Commission shall conform to the regulations set forth by the local amateur athletic associations.

(d) When deemed appropriate by the Commission, the provisions for professional boxers in §§ 21.4(c) and (h), 21.6(g), 21.8(m)—(o) and 21.16 apply to amateur boxers.

Authority

The provisions of this § 23.4 amended under the Athletic Code, 5 Pa.C.S. § 103(b)(1).

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§ 23.5. Seconds or trainers.

(a) The Commission will permit amateur boxing seconds to function only after they have been approved by the local amateur athletic associations. However, the Commission may designate a second if no second approved by the amateur athletic associations is available.

(b) The Commission may remove a second who displays improper conduct in the course of an event.

(c) First aid and other ring equipment of a second shall in all cases and at all times, before, during and after use, be subject to inspection by the attending physician and Commission personnel. Any decision as to the propriety of its use shall be final.

Authority

The provisions of this § 23.5 amended under the Athletic Code, 5 Pa.C.S. § 103(b)(1).

Source

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§ 23.6. Referees.

(a) Amateur boxing referees shall be appointed by the amateur athletic associations with the approval of the Commission. Referees may be removed by a commissioner, the Executive Director or an inspector at any time if deemed incompetent.

(b) A referee appointed under this section shall be 21 years of age or older, of good moral character and reputation, of sound physical health and approved by the amateur athletic association overseeing the event.

(c) The powers and duties of an amateur boxing referee shall be the same as those for professional boxing referees in § 21.11(a) (relating to referees), except that the referee shall enforce the rules of amateur boxing as set forth in the Athletic Code and this part as well as those rules adopted and promulgated by the amateur athletic associations.

(d) The Commission will determine the amount of the compensation of amateur boxing referees in accordance with reason and equity in the circumstances of the respective events to which they are appointed, and the compensation shall be paid in full in each case by the sponsor of the event.

Authority

The provisions of this § 23.6 amended under the Athletic Code, 5 Pa.C.S. § 103(b)(1).

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§ 23.7. Judges.

(a) An amateur boxing judge shall be appointed by the amateur athletic association with the approval of the Commission. A judge may be removed by a commissioner, the Executive Director or an inspector at any time if deemed incompetent.

(b) An amateur boxing judge shall be 21 years of age or older, and of good moral character and reputation.

(c) It shall be the duty of an amateur boxing judge to observe carefully and expertly the performances of the boxers in each contest to which he is appointed and to appraise the performances fairly and accurately.

Authority

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§ 23.8. Timekeepers.

(a) Timekeepers for amateur events may be appointed by the amateur athletic association with the approval of the Commission.

(b) The duties and responsibilities of timekeepers for amateur boxing events shall be the same as of timekeepers for professional contests in § 21.13 (relating to timekeepers).

Authority

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Source

The provisions of this § 23.8 adopted March 11, 1946; amended November 1, 1966; amended May 17, 2002, effective May 18, 2002, 32 Pa.B. 2443. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (251551).

§ 23.9. Insurance.

(a) The sponsor of each amateur event shall ensure that all participants are covered by insurance. Costs associated with the insurance shall be the responsibility of the sponsor.

(b) Responsibilities with respect to the reporting, examination and investigation of injuries to amateur boxers shall be the same as those in § 21.14(c) and (d) (relating to insurance). However, when the requirements of these subsections are violated by unlicensed persons, the delinquent persons shall be eligible for disbarment from further connection with amateur and professional events under the jurisdiction of the Commission.

Authority

The provisions of this § 23.9 amended under the Athletic Code, 5 Pa.C.S. § 103(b)(1).

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§ 23.10. Age of participation.

(a) A person between 12 and 17 years of age may participate in amateur contests or exhibitions after obtaining written permission from a parent or legal guardian, and the consent of the Executive Director.

(b) A person 12 to 16 years of age may not participate in a contest against an opponent who is more than 1 year older.

(c) The limitations in subsections (a) and (b) do not apply to sanctioned events for the Junior Olympics under the direction of a National governing organization certified by the Commission.

(1) For the purposes of the Junior Olympic events, participants, with the written permission of a parent or legal guardian, may box only in the following age divisions:

- (i) Ten and eleven years of age.
- (ii) Twelve and thirteen years of age.
- (iii) Fourteen and fifteen years of age.

(2) A participant may not take part in any event outside of the approved division for that age group.

Authority

The provisions of this § 23.10 amended under the Athletic Code, 5 Pa.C.S. § 103(b)(1).

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