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## **CHAPTER 1 – GENERAL REGULATIONS**

- 1.1. Authority. In accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated § 17-22-101 et seq., the following Regulations are promulgated and adopted by the Commission.
- 1.1.1. All activities, events, hearings, persons and meetings under, subject to or arguably

falling within the Commission's jurisdiction shall be subject to these Regulations.

- 1.1.2. These Regulations shall be liberally construed and broadly applied within the constraints of due process and any long-arm statutes of the State of Arkansas so as to do substantial justice and operate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the person participating in or performing any activity related in any way to an Event and members of the general public.
- 1.1.3. These Regulations are supplemental to, not in limitation of, the Commission's authority and power provided by the Combative Sports Law and all other laws, ordinances and regulations of the State of Arkansas, counties and municipalities thereof.
- 1.1.4. The Commission, including through its Committees and Designated employee(s), shall, in its sole discretion and on a case by case basis, have the authority to add to, deviate from or create an exception to these Regulations upon receipt of a duly submitted request or in such other circumstances as the Commission, in its sole discretion, deems necessary or prudent under the circumstances. The Commission's prior addition to, deviation from or exception to these Regulations shall not be construed or operate to require or obligate the Commission to add to, deviate from or create an exception to these Regulations under the same or similar circumstances in the future. No person shall rely upon or use as a basis for their non-compliance with these Regulations the Commission's prior or subsequent additions to, deviations from or exceptions to these Regulations.
- 1.1.5. The Commission and Inspectors are permitted in any Event without charge for the purpose of checking and insuring compliance with these Regulations. This does not provide preferential seating for those not assigned directly to the Event. Page | 11

- 1.2. Purpose & Declaration of Emergency. The Regulations are promulgated and adopted for the purpose of effecting and enforcing the Combative Sports Law, providing for the efficient and proper administration of the Commission's activities, duties and responsibilities, and enforcing the Regulations themselves. The Regulations further serve to protect the health, safety and welfare of persons participating in, viewing or performing any activity related in any way to an Event, as well as, the members of the general public in the State of Arkansas. The Commission finds there has been an unprecedented growth in Combative Sports Events being held in the State of Arkansas, which Events were prior to the passage of the Combative Sports Law outside the jurisdiction or scope of the Commission, which have grown largely unregulated, and which involve unarmed combat and related activities adversely affecting the health, safety and welfare of persons in the State of Arkansas; accordingly, the Commission finds that due to the severe risk to public health, safety and welfare of continued operation and participation in unregulated Combative Sports Events, there exists imminent peril to the public health, safety, and welfare of the persons subject to regulation by the Commission under the Combative Sports Law, as well as, the members of the general public and spectators of Combative Sports in Arkansas, which imminent peril requires the adoption of these Regulations in their entirety upon less than thirty (30) days' notice and immediate enforcement. Because Combative Sports are presently ongoing within the State of Arkansas without sufficient rules and regulations necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare, there exists an imminent peril to the public health, safety and welfare and these Regulations are hereby adopted by the Commission in their entirety and deemed effective immediately pursuant to the emergency provisions of Arkansas Code Ann. § 25-15-204(e).
- 1.3. Revocation of Prior Regulations & Rules. Upon adoption of these Regulations, the Commission's prior administrative rules and regulations are revoked and superseded by these Regulations.
- 1.4. Supplementation, Amendment, Interpretation & Limitations. Any Regulation may be supplemented or amended from time to time by the Commission and are subject to further interpretation by the Commission or the Commission's members, Inspectors or agents as necessary from time to time.
- 1.4.1. The Regulations provided for herein do not limit the actions permitted to be taken by the Commission, Committee or the Commission's members, Inspectors or agents from time to time for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the Combative Sports Law, Regulations or the protection, safety and welfare of the public, spectators, Officials, or Contestants.
- 1.4.2. The interpretation of any Regulation shall be at the sole discretion of the Commission on a case by case basis and such interpretation shall be final and binding with respect to the matter requiring an interpretation, with the overriding concern to be the health, safety and welfare of participants and the public, and whether or not the situation is correctable.
- 1.4.3. During the performance of official Commission duties or in any other circumstance in which the Commission may be deemed to be taking official action, the Commission and its members, Inspectors and agents are specifically prohibited from providing legal advice to a person or entity subject to the jurisdiction of or regulation by the Commission. Page | 12

- 1.5. Commission Office. The Commission shall maintain for the transaction of its business a main office at a location to be designated from time to time by the Commission.
- 1.6. Meetings. The Commission shall meet at the times and places designated by the Chairman from time to time, but not less than once per calendar quarter, for the purpose of conducting the Commission's business. Committees shall meet at the times and places designated by the Committee Chairman for the purpose of conducting the Committee's business. At each Commission or Committee meeting, every Member entitled to vote shall have the right to one vote on each matter presented for voting, whether in person, electronically, telephonically. A quorum of the full Commission or Committee shall be necessary for voting to decide any matter required to be voted upon by the Commission or Committee, as the case may be. A quorum of any meeting of the Commission or Committee shall consist of a majority of the Members thereof. Unless otherwise stated in these rules or authority is otherwise granted by the Commission, the vote of the majority of the quorum in attendance at Commission or Committee meeting shall decide any question presented at the meeting and requiring a vote thereon.
- 1.7. Per Diem and Expense Reimbursement for Members & Inspectors. Members are entitled to only the State approved per diem. Inspectors or other officials assigned by ASAC shall be entitled to the fees established in the Rules and Regulations. In addition to the per diem or reimbursement of actual expenses provided for hereunder, the Member, Inspector or other appointed officials shall be entitled to compensation for mileage at the rate prescribed in Arkansas' state employee travel regulations, excepting that employees shall receive salary as established in the hiring policies of Arkansas. In order to receive the per diem, expenses and mileage compensation hereunder, the Member or Inspector must have attended the meeting or event for official business at the specific request of the Designated employee(s), Chairman or duly authorized Member. Members shall receive the per diem only, travel expenses and mileage compensation hereunder for attendance at Commission meetings.
- 1.8. Assessments for Reimbursement. If the per diem, expenses and mileage reimbursement paid by the Commission to the Member, Inspector, Judge, Doctor, Referee, and Timekeeper is necessitated by attendance at an Event or any other activity, hearing or meeting conducted by the Commission or Committee for the purpose of investigating or administering any complaint or suspected violation of the Combative Sports Law or Regulations, the Commission, Committee or Designated employee(s) may assess the costs of the per diem, expenses and mileage reimbursement against the person(s) or entity(ies) necessitating such attendance of the Commission member(s) and inspector(s), with any such assessment being in addition to any other sanctions, fees or other action taken by the Commission, Committee or Designated employee(s).
- 1.9. Designated employee(s). The Designated employee(s) shall have the following duties, powers and authority in addition to the other duties, powers and authority expressed or implied by the Commission, its rules and regulations, and the laws of the State of Arkansas: Page | 13

- 1.9.1. The Designated employee(s) shall be present at all Commission meetings and record the minutes of such meetings. In the absence of the Designated employee(s), the Chairman, or the Vice-Chairman in the absence of the Chairman, shall appoint a commission member to keep the minutes.
- 1.9.2. The Designated employee(s) is directed and authorized to do all acts and take steps as may be necessary for the operation and enforcement of Arkansas Code Annotated § 17-
- 22-101 et seq., these Regulations, and any other rule, regulation or directive promulgated by the Commission including, without limitation, the appointment, hiring, and licensure of Inspectors to assist the Designated employee(s) in enforcement of the Combative Sports Law and these Regulations.
- 1.9.3. The Designated employee(s) is directed to keep a full and true record of all proceedings of the Commission, preserve at its general office all its books, documents and papers. The Designated employee(s) shall insure that at least one Commission member has access to all Commission records at all times.
- 1.9.4. The Designated employee(s) shall collect and disburse all monies on behalf of the Commission and is authorized to incur such expenses, and make such expenditures, as may be necessary to carry out and effectuate the Designated employee(s)'s duties and powers. All disbursements by the Designated employee(s) shall be made by voucher or check from the Commission's operating account, provided such voucher or check is signed by the Designated employee(s) and the Chairman or at least one other duly appointed Commission member.
- 1.10.Disciplinary or Other Administrative Action. Any action above that of a verbal warning or written reprimand, on any matter involving a Licensee or person subject to licensure or regulation under these Regulations may be taken by the Commission, Committee, Designated employee(s) or Inspector with or without a hearing; however, if negative action such as Revocation or Suspension of licensure is taken against a licensee or person subject to regulation under these Regulations, then such person may, within ten (10) days following issuance of a notification letter sent to such person's last known address, submit a written request for a formal hearing on such matter. Following a duly submitted request for hearing, the Commission shall grant the requesting party a formal hearing in accordance with the procedures established by the Commission from time to time.
- 1.11.Prohibited Activities. No person shall engage in any activity, which is performed wholly or partially within the State of Arkansas and subject to regulation under the Arkansas Combative Sports Law or these Regulations, without fully complying with the Combative Sports Law, these Regulations and possessing a valid license from the Commission for such activity.
- 1.11.1. No person holding a license issued by the Commission shall participate or engage in any activity for which an Event license has not been issued or has been denied or revoked by the Commission. Page | 14

- 1.11.2. No person holding a license issued by the Commission shall participate or engage in any activity in connection with an Event while having within their body any alcohol or Drug or while otherwise under the influence of alcohol or a Drug. Provided however, participation may be allowed if the Licensee possesses a current and valid prescription from a Doctor for the Drug and the Drug does not, in the sole discretion of the Commission, result in an impediment or impairment of the performance of Licensee's duties or responsibilities nor result in an unfair competitive advantage.
- 1.11.3. No person shall be allowed to participate or perform services in connection with an Event, unless the person has proof of identification and a current license for their activity. Acceptable proof of identification includes driver's license, passport, state issued identification card, federal identification boxing card, or any other identification required by the designated employee(s).
- 1.11.4. No person shall interfere with or hinder an Official's performance of his or her duties or threaten physical harm to any person present at an Event or any activity related or associated with an Event, except physical harm may be threatened between Contestants within the boundaries of other applicable laws.
- 1.11.5. Judges, Timekeepers, Referees, and Doctors may not have a direct or indirect financial interest in any Contestant participating in a specific match or bout or in an Event for which they are providing services.
- 1.11.6. No Professional shall compete against an Amateur.
- 1.11.7. No person shall use abusive language, use profanity or otherwise conduct themselves in a manner which is disrespectful to the Commission, Commissioners, Officials, any person at an Event or otherwise engage in disruptive conduct.
- 1.12. Definitions. The definitions found in Arkansas Code Annotated § 17-22-101 et seq., as amended from time to time, shall apply to the Commission's rules and regulations, as well as, all Commission activities and the following definitions are supplemental thereto. The following words or terms shall have the meaning ascribed thereto, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 1.12.1. "ABC" means The Association of Boxing Commissions.
- 1.12.2. "Act" means Act 781 of the 2009 Arkansas Legislative Session and Act 1096 of the
- 2013 Arkansas Legislative Session.
- 1.12.3. "Administrator" or "Designated employee(s)" means the Designated employee, Program Manager or Managing Director of the Arkansas State Athletic Commission.
- 1.12.4. "Amateur" means a Contestant who has never, directly or indirectly, received or competed for any Purse exceeding the lesser of \$100 or the actual expenses incurred by the Contestant for training and travel relating to a particular contest, Exhibition or Event. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Combative Sports Contestants shall be considered an Amateur if the Contestant meets the eligibility requirements, as amended from time to Page | 15

time, of USA Boxing, if applicable to Contestant, and the International Olympic Committee ("IOC"), if the IOC regulates the Contestant's Combative Sport.

- 1.12.5. "Announcer" means a person who announces the names of the officials, judges, sponsors, Contestants, Contestants' weights, decisions of each contest, and otherwise provides information to the spectators during an Event.
- 1.12.6. "Certified" means a Judge or Referee who has completed the necessary certification requirements and testing, of the ABC; with such certification having been offered within the state at least once during a 12 month period prior to said Certification being required for Professional Referees and Judges. Certified can also mean a Doctor who has completed the necessary certification requirements and testing, if required, of the American Association of Ringside Physicians or International Association of Ringside Physicians and is currently certified by either organization.
- 1.12.7. "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Commission or Sub-committee, as the case may be or context may indicate
- 1.12.8. "Chief Second" means the Second designated by the Contestant as the primary advisor or assistant to the Contestant during a contest.
- 1.12.9. "Combative Sports Law" means Arkansas Code Annotated § 17-22-101 et seq., as amended from time to time.
- 1.12.10. "Combative Sports Tax" means the five percent (5%) tax, or other such tax rate established by the Combative Sports Law, upon the Gross Receipts derived from an Event.
- 1.12.11. "Commission" means the Arkansas State Athletic Commission or one of its duly appointed sub-committees, members, inspectors or agents, as the case may be or context may indicate.
- 1.12.12. "Committee" means any committee or sub-committee duly appointed by the Commission from time to time, either through a full vote of the members of the Commission or through establishment and appointment by the Chairman, to assist the Commission with the administration of the Commission's affairs, business and duties. Each committee or sub-committee shall be comprised of at least one, but not all, Commission member and if deemed necessary and duly appointed, any other non- Commission member. The Chairman shall not have the authority to appoint non- Commission members to any committee or sub-committee without the consent and affirmative vote of the Commission.
- 1.12.13. "Contestant" means any participant who competes or otherwise participates in an Event through the use or display of their combative sports or other skills.
- 1.12.14. "Count" means either an Eight Count or Ten Count given by the Referee to a Contestant who has suffered a Knock-down.
- 1.12.15. "Deadwood" the numerical difference between tickets printed and tickets sold, given away or otherwise used.
- 1.12.16. "Disciplinary Committee" means the Committee established for the purpose of Page | 16

investigating, hearing and deciding complaints, alleged violations of the Regulations and other matters subject to regulation by the Commission.

- 1.12.17. "Disqualification" means a combative sports contest ending with the Referee disqualifying a Contestant or the Commission disqualifying a Contestant for any violation of these Regulations or other rules or directives. A Disqualification is a loss. A Disqualification may be officially reported using the abbreviation "DQ."
- 1.12.18. "Doctor" means a medical doctor or doctor of osteopathy, who is currently licensed by the State of Arkansas to practice medicine, if applying for a license under these Regulations or engaging in any activity related to an Event, or licensed to practice medicine in any state or territory of the United States of America, if not applying for a license under these Regulations or engaging in any activity related to an Event.
- 1.12.19. "Down" or "Knock-down" occurs when, as the result of a legal blow as determined by the Referee, any part of a Contestant's body, except the Contestant's feet, touches the floor of the ring, or when, as the result of a legal blow as determined by the Referee, any part of a Contestant's body, except the Contestant's feet, would have (as determined by the Referee) touched the floor of the ring but for the Contestant being supported by the ropes or cage.
- 1.12.20. "Draw" means a combative sports contest ending with either an equal number of judges having scored the same Contestant as both the winner and loser, or ending with all judges having scored the Contestants with the same score. A Draw may be officially reported using the abbreviation "D."
- 1.12.21. "Drug" means any illegal chemical or chemical compound or controlled substance or legally prescribed chemical or chemical compound regulated or within the jurisdiction of the federal Drug Enforcement Agency, federal Food & Drug Administration or federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, and any successor agency thereto and any substance banned by the World Anti-Doping Agency at the time and for the specific event.
- 1.12.22. "Eight Count" means a count of eight (8) given by the Referee to a Contestant who has suffered a Knockdown. An Eight Count starts at the time the Contestant is Down and shall continue to the count of eight (8) even after the Contestant returns to a non-Down position following a Knock-down. Each count one (1) through eight (8) should be approximately one (1) second in length, but may be fractionally longer or shorter depending on the circumstances.
- 1.12.23. "Elimination Tournament" means an Event in which:
- 1.12.23.1. None of the Contestants are, nor have they at any time been, licensed as a Professional Contestant or otherwise competed as an unlicensed Professional Contestant anywhere in the world;
- 1.12.23.2. Each bout or contest is scheduled for three (3) or fewer one (1) minute rounds with at least one (1) minute of rest between each round; Page | 17

- 1.12.23.3. Bouts or contests, which are part of the Elimination Tournament, are scheduled for not more than two (2) consecutive calendar days;
- 1.12.23.4. Contestants in the Elimination Tournament are limited to twelve (12) minutes or less of Combative Sports activity on the second day and no more than three (3) minutes of competition on the first day of the Elimination Tournament; and
- 1.12.23.5. Contestants in the Elimination Tournament are prohibited from continuing in the same Elimination Tournament after their first loss by Knockout or Technical Knockout.
- 1.12.24. "Event" means a contest, Exhibition or Elimination Tournament involving sparring, boxing, kickboxing, wrestling, martial arts, mixed martial arts, or any other type of combative sport including, without limitation, any combination of the foregoing which is subject to regulation by the Combative Sports Law or these Regulations.
- 1.12.25. "Event Coordinator" means any person who is not an employee of the Promoter, but is otherwise engaged by the Promoter or does actually arrange on behalf of or for the benefit the Promoter any of the following: (i) advertising; (ii) labor; (iii) lodging; (iv) transportation; (v) venue; (vi) venue setup or tear-down; (vii) any other activity associated with an Event which has the potential to misinform or mislead the Contestants, Seconds, Officials or public attending the Event.
- 1.12.26. "Exhibition" means a combative sports contest, exhibition or other display of the Contestant's skills in which neither Contestant strives to win, which ends with no decision being rendered by the Judge(s), no score being kept or recorded, no winner or loser being determined by any person(s) and does not exceed three (3) rounds.
- 1.12.27. "Female" generally means a person designated as such on her State or Federal ID.
- 1.12.28. "Full Contact Rules" means Kickboxing Event in which kicks to only the body and head are permitted and kicks below the waist are prohibited.
- 1.12.29. "Good Cause" means, without limitation, (i) A Doctor's refusal to approve a contestant to compete; (ii) Failure to pay any sum due to the Commission or Official; (iii) Failure to pay any Contestant for whom a contract exists; (iv) Suspension or revocation of a license issued by another state or country; (v) Failure to observe or comply with any Regulation; or (vi) Any other fact or circumstance the Commission, in its sole discretion, deems to be a reasonable basis for taking or refusing to take any action.
- 1.12.30. "Gross Receipts" means the total money, remuneration or other thing or service of value received for admission to an event.
- 1.12.31. "Inspector" means any person duly appointed and designated by the Commission or Designated employee(s) who may issue licenses, collect license fees, or oversee the proper execution of the Arkansas Combative Sports Law and Regulations.
- 1.12.32. "International Rules" means Kickboxing Event in which kicks to the body, head and below the hip are permitted; however, kicks to the groin are prohibited. Page | 18

- 1.12.33. "Judge" means a person responsible for scoring an Event.
- 1.12.34. "Knockout" means a combative sports contest ending with a Contestant suffering a Knock-down and immediately thereafter either failing to return to a non- Down position before the referee completes a Ten Count or the Referee terminating the Ten Count and ending the contest due to the Referee's determination the Contestant is unfit to continue the contest. A Knockout may be officially reported using the abbreviation "KO."
- 1.12.35. "Lightsout Suspension" means suspension for ninety (90) calendar days or longer if deemed advisable by the Doctor or Commission.
- 1.12.36. "Majority Decision" means a combative sports contest ending with a majority of the judges scoring the contest in favor of one contestant with the remaining judge scoring the Contestants with the same score. A Majority Decision may be officially reported using the abbreviation "MDec."
- 1.12.37. "Majority Draw" means a combative sports contest ending with a majority, but not all, of the judges scoring the Contestants with the same score. A Majority Draw may be officially reported using the abbreviation "MD."
- 1.12.38. "Male" generally means a person designated as such on his State or Federal ID.
- 1.12.39. "Manager" means any person who, directly or indirectly, controls or administers the affairs of a Professional Contestant with respect to his or her combative sports affairs or otherwise advises a Professional Contestant with respect to his or her combative sports affairs.
- 1.12.40. "Martial Arts" or "Mixed Martial Arts" means any discipline in which the participants utilize the exertion of pressure, grappling, holds, kicks, punches, blows, strikes, or any combination of the foregoing techniques including, without limitation, any form of judo, kung fu, karate, tae kwan do, ju jitsu, muay thai, or any other discipline.
- 1.12.41. "Matchmaker" means person who arranges, contracts or negotiates or inquires about the possibility of an arrangement, contract or negotiation for a Contestant's participation in any bout or contest related to an Event.
- 1.12.42. "Member" means any member of the Commission or Committee, as the case may be or context may indicate.
- 1.12.43. "Minimum Suspension" means a suspension of thirty (30) calendar days or longer if deemed advisable by the Doctor or Commission
- 1.12.44. "No Decision" and "No Contest" mean a combative sports contest or Exhibition ending with no decision being rendered by the judge(s) or no scores having been maintained or recorded and no winner or loser otherwise determined by any person. A No Decision or No Contest may be officially reported using the abbreviation "NC."
- 1.12.45. "Official" means any individual who performs an official function during or related in any way to an Event including but not limited to Announcers, Commissioners, Doctors, Inspectors, Judges, Referees, and Timekeepers.

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- 1.12.46. "Person" means a Female, Male or legal entity, as the case may be or context may indicate.
- 1.12.47. "Professional" means a Person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age. Provided however, the term Professional does not include the following (i) A person who claims to be an Amateur and meets the definition of an Amateur; (ii) A person who solely competes in Amateur Events or Elimination Tournaments.
- 1.12.48. "Professional Event" means an Event in which at least one of the Contestants is a Professional; however, Professional Event does not include Elimination Contests.
- 1.12.49. "Promoter" means any person or other legal entity or organization, and in the case of a legal entity includes any officer, manager, director and employee thereof, who is responsible for or actually arranges, organizes, produces, sponsors or stages any Event.
- 1.12.50. "Purse" means any form of payment or other remuneration provided to a person or entity, directly or indirectly, in exchange for or related in any way to a Contestant's participation in a combative sports activity including, without limitation, reimbursement for expenses and travel, as well as, any amount paid, directly or indirectly, from or related to broadcast, Internet, media, radio, television, and cable rights.
- 1.12.51. "Referee" means the person at an Event who is or will be inside the ring or other competition area and is in charge of enforcing these Regulations and the other rules relevant to the bouts or heats during an Event.
- 1.12.52. "Regulation" means any rule or regulation promulgated or adopted by the Arkansas Athletic Commission from time to time.
- 1.12.53. "Sanctioning Body" is a sport governing body which can have a variety of functions, one of which would be to maintain a list of division/regional champions, issuance of disciplinary action for rule infractions and deciding on rule changes that can be used within the State of Arkansas for the sport the Body governs.
- 1.12.54. "Second" means any person aiding, assisting, or advising a Contestant during an Event.
- 1.12.55. "Split Decision" means a combative sports contest ending with one Contestant scored as the winner by the majority of the judges. A Split Decision may be officially reported using the abbreviation "SD."
- 1.12.56. "Standing Eight Count" means a count of eight (8) given at the referee's discretion to a Contestant who has not suffered a Knock-down in the moments preceding the referee beginning the count.
- 1.12.57. "Submission" means a combative sports contest ending by the Referee stopping the contest during the Contestant's execution and continuous application of a legal hold or mixed martial technique from which a Contestant's opponent cannot work free and which poses imminent risk of either loss of consciousness or serious physical injury. A Submission may be officially reported using the abbreviation "TKO," if due to strikes, or "Submission" and should generally be also notated with the method or technique resulting in the Submission. Page | 20

- 1.12.58. "Tapout" or "Tap Out" means a combative sports contest ending by the Contestant verbally indicating or physically tapping or patting either the contest area floor or any part the opponent's body in an effort to signal the Referee that Contestant no longer wishes to continue participating in the contest. A Tapout may be officially reported using the abbreviation "TKO," if due to strikes, or "Submission."
- 1.12.59. "Technical Knockout" means a combative sports contest ending with (i) Contestant or Contestant's Second making a verbal or physical request to the Referee for an immediate end to the contest; (ii) Contestant refusing to continue participating in the contest; or (iii) The Referee ending the contest due to the Referee's determination the Contestant is either unfit to continue the contest or is unable to safely and intelligently defend against an attack by the Contestant's opponent. A Technical Knockout may be officially reported using the abbreviation "TKO."
- 1.12.60. "Ten Count" means a count of ten (10) given by the Referee to a Contestant who has suffered a Knockdown. A Ten Count starts at the time the Contestant is Down and shall continue to the count of ten (10), unless the Contestant returns to a non-Down position and is in the opinion of the Referee fit to continue the bout before the Referee reaches the count of ten (10). Each count one (1) through ten (10) should be approximately one (1) second in length, but may be fractionally longer or shorter depending on the Referee and circumstances.
- 1.12.61. "10 Point Must System" means a system of scoring whereby the winner of each round must receive ten (10) points, while the loser of the round receives nine (9) points, eight (8) points if knocked down once or clearly and thoroughly dominated by the opponent without being knocked down, seven (7) points if knocked down more than once and thoroughly dominated by the opponent. A Contestant may not receive less than seven (7) points in a round, unless the reason for receiving less than seven (7) points is due to the deduction of a point or point(s). If there is no clear winner of the round or the Judge scores the round evenly, each Contestant will be awarded ten (10) points. Although a Contestant may win the round, a point deduction for the commission of a foul may result in less than ten (10) points being awarded to that Contestant. No fractions of a point shall be awarded to or deducted from any Contestant. The winner of each round should be the Contestant delivering or displaying, as legally permitted under the rules applicable to the combative sport, any combination of the most clean or effective punches/strikes/legal holds/take downs, effective aggressiveness, effective defense, and good ring generalship.
- 1.12.62. "Timekeeper" means the person responsible for keeping the official time for each round or heat, intervals between rounds or heats, and all counts after a Contestant is Down during an Event.
- 1.12.63. "Technical Zone" A restricted area extending perpendicular from all points from the edge of the ring apron, cage or out of bounds line on any surface upon which an event or competition takes place. In case of prior cited problems in a particular venue or with a promoter, ASAC can require up to ten(10) feet for the Technical Zone.
- 1.12.64. "Twenty Count" means a count of twenty (20) given by the Referee to a Contestant who has, as a result of actions which do not violate these Regulations or the rules of the contest, been knocked through or has otherwise fallen through the ropes during a contest. Page | 21

A Twenty Count starts at the time the Contestant is Down and shall continue to the count of twenty (20), unless the Contestant returns unassisted to a non- Down position inside the Ring and is in the opinion of the Referee fit to continue the bout before the Referee reaches the count of twenty (20). Each count one (1) through twenty (20) should be approximately one (1) second in length, but may be fractionally longer or shorter depending on the Referee and circumstances.

- 1.12.65. "Unanimous Decision" means a combative sports contest ending with one Contestant scored as the winner by all judge(s). A Unanimous Decision may be officially reported using the abbreviation "UD."
- 1.12.66. "Wrestling" means any form of combat or competition between two (2) or more Contestants where such Contestants deliver or receive blows, holds, strikes, or throws and which is not Boxing, Martial Arts or Mixed Martial Arts.
- 1.13.License Fees: The following non-refundable, non-prorated fees shall be required and remitted to the Commission with each application for a license as follows:
- 1.13.1 Announcer \$20.00
- 1.13.2 Contestant \$20.00
- 1.13.3 Doctor NO FEE
- 1.13.4 Event Coordinator \$100.00
- 1.13.5 Event Permit License \$50.00
- 1.13.6 Federal Boxing ID \$20.00
- 1.13.7 Inspector NO FEE
- 1.13.8 Judge \$15.00
- 1.13.9 Manager \$50.00
- 1.13.10 Matchmaker \$100.00
- 1.13.11 National Mixed Martial Arts ID \$20.00
- 1.13.12 Promoter \$100.00
- 1.13.13 Referee \$25.00
- 1.13.14 Second \$15.00
- 1.13.15 Timekeeper \$15.00

1.14 Weight Cutting/Gain Rule for Amateur Combative Sports: Any Amateur Combative Sports fighter shall not gain more than .075 (7 & 1/2 %) of his advance weigh-in body weight, and in no case, shall any fighter be allowed to gain weight sufficient to move up more than ONE published weight class for his specific sport.	