

STATE OF NEVADA ATHLETIC COMMISSION

EXPECTATIONS FOR AMATEUR MMA AND KICKBOXING PROMOTERS & VENUES

The following information is for review by individuals or companies inquiring about getting licensed to hold events of amateur kickboxing and/or amateur mixed martial arts in Nevada. The information is being provided solely for guidance, and does not modify any statutes, regulation or policies of the Nevada Athletic Commission. If you have any questions or want any additional information, please contact the commission office at (702) 486-2575 or nsacinfo@boxing.nv.gov.

First you must get licensed by the commission. Below are the requirements and a brief explanation of the process.

1. Completed **ORIGINAL** [application](#) and one copy of the **entire** application package. Failure to answer all questions and submit backup documentation and/or give an explanation in writing as to why they are not included as part of the application will result in your application not being placed on a Commission agenda for consideration.
2. One fingerprint card for each officer of the corporation, partnership or the sole proprietor. Each card must be filled out completely. Along with each card you must submit a [Civil Applicant Waiver](#) and a **CERTIFIED CHECK** or **MONEY ORDER** made payable to **Department of Public Safety** in the amount of **\$39.00**. The card is submitted to the Department of Public Safety and FBI for background checks and require 60 to 90 days for the information to be returned to us. Please submit immediately if you want to cut down on the time required to obtain a license. You may want to contact the commission office prior to purchasing your certified check or money order as there have been several price adjustments in the last year. Please make sure to complete the Residence and Employer sections.
3. Two years income tax returns, corporate or individual depending on business structure. If your company does not have two years of tax returns you may be required to submit personal tax returns on all officers of the company.
4. You must submit any additional information requested by the commission.
5. \$750 Application fee will be collected upon approval of the application and completion of bond requirement.
6. \$10,000 dollar Refund and License bond.
7. A representative of the organization to be licensed must be present at a scheduled commission meeting when the application for licensure is discussed.

8. All requests for dates to promote must be made in writing and submitted to the commission office as far in advance as possible on the [Request for Program Permit](#). This requires commission approval on a separate Commission agenda than your licensing application approval.

The following costs are associated with promoting an event in Nevada.

- **SANCTIONING BODY**

You must use a sanctioning body that has been recognized by the athletic commission to supervise events in Nevada. Currently the following sanctioning bodies have been approved for Amateur MMA: KICK International, ISKA or ISCF MMA and for Amateur Kickboxing: KICK International, ISKA, USTMA and MTIA.

Web sites for sanctioning bodies:

[UMMAF formerly KICK International](#)

[ISKA](#)

[ISCF MMA](#)

[USMTA](#)

[IKF Kickboxing](#)

[IKF Muay Thai](#)

- **INSURANCE**

Primary medical insurance on the participants must be in the minimum amount of \$25,000 per unarmed combatant. The promoter is responsible for any deductible.

- **TICKETS FEES**

You pay an 8% ticket fee on the gross sale of tickets. You also pay an 8% fee on your complimentary tickets if they exceed 8% of the gross seating of the house, or are used to trade for services.

- **AMBULANCE**

The promoter must have paramedics and an ambulance at the site. There must be oxygen, a first aid kit and a stretcher at ringside. The ambulance will most likely be paid for by the commission if the show is a public event. If you have to pay for the ambulance, the average cost is \$500 depending on the length of time of your show.

- **DOCTOR**

You must have at least one licensed M.D. or D.O. physician present. It is your responsibility to ensure that an ambulance and at least one licensed M.D. or D.O. physician are present at all times any bout is taking place. It is recommended that you have *at least* once additional licensed M.D. or D.O. physician present if you have more than 15 bouts scheduled for the event.

The following items are the responsibility of the promoter to complete in the time frame given.

- **MMA SHOWS**

For mixed martial arts (MMA) shows, the promoter must register the card at abc.mixedmartialarts.com before the event and you must have the sanctioning body send us via email copy of the results from the show within 2 business days after the event.

- **DRESSING ROOMS**

The promoter must provide, or must make sure the venue provides the dressing rooms with ice, tables, towels and blankets. There also needs to be a sufficient amount of drinking water in the dressing rooms.

Dressing rooms need to be located where there is easy access to the ring. If you have female contestants on the card, they will need to have separate dressing rooms.

- **EQUIPMENT**

The promoter must provide, or must make sure the venue provides, three tall stools for the judges, a sufficient number of stools in each corner for the seconds and inspectors, spit buckets, and ice buckets for the event. Your boxing ring must meet the requirements listed in [NAC 467.442](#) or your ring or fenced area must meet the requirements listed in [NAC 467.7952](#). If you want the timekeepers to use an air horn you must provide two.

- **SCALE**

The promoter must provide a calibrated scale for the weigh-in.

- **GLOVES**

The promoter is responsible for supplying all gloves for the event. All gloves used must be on the approved list. The current list of approved gloves is available on our web site under Frequently Asked Questions - Events Questions click here for the direct [link](#).

- **SECURITY**

Security will be needed to walk the fighters to the ring and at ringside after the fight. Security also needs to be stationed at the entrance to the dressing rooms.

- **NSAC AMATEUR MUAY THAI MINIMUM SAFETY STANDARDS**

1. Headgear and shin guards will be mandatory for all fighters in their first three fights.
2. Fighters, in their 4th fight forward, may opt to fight without headgear and/or shin guards if both fighters agree.
3. If one fighter chooses to wear headgear and/or shin guards, both fighters must wear headgear and/or shin guards.
4. Elbow strikes with elbow pads may be used in a fighters 4th fight forward. Both fighters must agree on elbow strikes or elbow strikes will not be allowed. If elbows are allowed, commission approved elbow pads must be worn and must be secured.
5. Fight counts will also include a fighters MMA record.