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Boxing Gloves

The promoter of a boxing event must provide boxing gloves from the Commission's list of approved gloves to all boxers competing in the event. For each bout, the promoter must provide new gloves of the same brand, style and weight to each of the two boxers in the bout. Consistent with the Regulatory Guidelines of the Association of Boxing Commissions, where both boxers in a bout weigh 147 pounds or less at the official weigh-in, they shall wear eight-ounce boxing gloves. Where one or both boxers weigh more than 147 pounds at the official weigh-in, then both boxers shall wear ten-ounce gloves.

If a boxer wishes to wear a brand and style of boxing gloves that are different than the gloves provided by the promoter, the boxer may do so only if the gloves are on the Commission's list of approved gloves and if one of the following conditions is satisfied: (1) the boxer's opponent consents to the boxer wearing the brand and style of boxing gloves that he or she wishes to wear, or (2) the boxer provides two pairs of boxing gloves, or four pairs of gloves in a title bout, so that the boxer's opponent is given the opportunity to wear the same brand and style of gloves. Gloves provided by a boxer must be new and in the manufacturer's original packaging. If the boxer brings two pairs of boxing gloves, or four pairs in a title bout, the boxer's opponent has the option to wear the gloves provided by the boxer or the gloves provided by the promoter.

Boxer must present the boxing gloves he or she wishes to use and must seek Commission approval no later than the weigh-in in order to use boxing gloves other than those provided by the promoter. The boxer's opponent shall be informed of the boxer's request to the Commission, and, upon request, will be given the opportunity to observe the Commission's inspection of the gloves.

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