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# Application for Combative Sport Authorized Sanctioning Entity License

***Read** the instructions carefully before completing the application. Incomplete applications will be returned, delaying licensure. Any omission, inaccuracy or failure to make full disclosure in an application or supporting documentation may be deemed sufficient reason to deny a license, or, if a license is issued could result in the suspension or revocation of a license.*

**What is the fee and term for a Combative Sport Authorized Sanctioning Entity License?**
The fee for an Authorized Sanctioning Entity license if $1,000.00 and the license is valid for two years from the date the license is issued.

**What are the bonding requirements for a Combative Sport Authorized Sanctioning Entity License?**
An authorized Sanctioning Entity must execute and file with the Department of State:

- Bond in the sum of $20,000.00 conditioned for and guaranteeing the payment of purses and the legitimate expenses of printed tickets and all advertising materials and;
- Bond in the sum of $10,000.00 conditioned for and guaranteeing the faithful performance of the authorized sanctioning entity of the provisions of Article 41 of the General Business Law and the rules and regulations of the Commission

**What forms of Payment do you Accept?**
You may pay by check or money order made payable to the Department of State. Do not send cash. Application fees are nonrefundable. A $20.00 fee will be charged for any check returned by your bank.

**How do I submit my application and supporting documentation to the State Athletic Commission?**

Mail to: New York State, Department of State
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**PRIVACY NOTIFICATION**

**Do I need to provide my Social Security number on the Application?**
Yes. The State Athletic Commission is required to collect the Social Security numbers of all licensees. The authority to request and maintain such personal information is found in §5 of the Tax Law and §3-503 of the General Obligations Law. Disclosure by you is mandatory. The information is collected to enable the Department of Taxation and Finance to identify individuals, businesses and others who have been delinquent in filing tax returns or may have underestimated their tax liabilities and to generally identify persons affected by the taxes administered by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. It will be used for tax administration purposes and any other purpose authorized by the Tax Law and may also be used by child support enforcement agencies or their authorized representatives of this or other states established pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, to establish, modify or enforce an order of support, but will not be available to the public. A written explanation is required where no number is provided. The authority to request this information is also provided by 19 NYCRR §207.5(a)(1). This information will be maintained in the Licensing Information System by the Commission, at 123 William Street, New York, NY 10038-3804.

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***Select Combative Sport Type (Check all that apply): $1,000.00 Application Fee**

**Professional**

- ☐ **Kickboxing**
- ☐ **Muay Thai**
- ☐ **Wrestling/Grappling**
- ☐ **Judo**
- ☐ **Tae Kwon Do**
- ☐ **Karate**
- ☐ **Kempo**

**Amateur**

- ☐ **Mixed Martial Arts**
- ☐ **Kickboxing**
- ☐ **Muay Thai**
- ☐ **Wrestling/Grapping**
- ☐ **Judo**
- ☐ **Tae Kwon Do**
- ☐ **Karate**
- ☐ **Kempo**

***Are you applying for a new license or do you wish to amend/change information on your file?**
**(Check one only): ☐ New ($1,000.00 fee) ☐ Amendment (No fee)**

**BUSINESS INFORMATION**

| | | | | |
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| *Business Name | | | Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) | |
| Assumed Name(s): (If your business is filed as an assumed name, aka trade name or DBA, list each name. You must attach a certified copy of the Assumed Name or DBA Certificate from the jurisdiction of filing for each assumed name listed.) | | | | |
| *Business Address 1 | | Business Address 2 | | |
| *City | *US State or Canadian Province | * Zip/Postal Code | *County | *Country |
| *Business Telephone Number | | *Business E-Mail Address | | |
| Business Fax Number | | Business Website | | |
| *Name of Primary Contact for Business | *Primary Contact Email Address | | *Primary Contact Telephone Number | |

**BUSINESS BACKGROUND INFORMATION (for businesses only)**

1)* Does the business currently hold, or have ever held, a license issued by the NYS Athletic Commission or any other Athletic Commission?
☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", provide the following information for each license:

| License type | State of issuance (USA) only | Country of issuance | License number | License year |
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2)* Has any license or permit issued to the business in New York or elsewhere ever been revoked, suspended or denied or have you ever been otherwise subject to disciplinary action?
☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", explain:

3) *Does the business entity have a financial interest in any professional combative sport participant(s), manager(s), second(s), trainer(s), promoter(s) matchmaker(s)?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", provide the following information:

| First and Last Name(s): | Description of your Financial Interest: |
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4) *Does the business owe any unpaid taxes to any taxing jurisdiction?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", provide an explanation:

**Attach additional documentation you wish to share.**

5) *Is the business a debtor in a pending bankruptcy proceeding?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", provide an explanation:

**Attach additional documentation you wish to share.**

**ATTENTION BUSINESS APPLICANT** – All owners, directors and officers associated with the business must copy and complete the "Responsible Parties Information", "Responsible Parties Background" and "Financial Information" sections of this application.

**RESPONSBILE PARTY INFORMATION**

| ***Business** Name | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Responsible Party First Name | *Responsible Party Last Name | Middle Initial | Suffix |
| *Responsible Party Title (if business applicant) | | | |

**RESPONSIBLE PARTY BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

1) *Do you currently hold, or have you ever held, a license issued by the NYS Athletic Commission or any other Athletic Commission?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", provide the following information for each license held:

| License type | State of issuance (USA only) | Country of issuance | License number | License year |
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2) *Has any license or permit issued to you or a company in which you are or were a principal in New York or elsewhere ever been revoked, suspended or denied or have you been otherwise subject to disciplinary action?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", explain:

3) *Have you ever been convicted in New York or elsewhere of any criminal offense that is a misdemeanor or felony?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", provide the following information for each conviction:

| Year of conviction | Jurisdiction where conviction occurred | Offense (crime) for which you were convicted |
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| | | |

***If convicted, attach a copy of Certificate of Relief from Disabilities, Executive Pardon, Certificate of Good Conduct or other supporting documentation.***

4) *Are there any criminal charges (misdemeanor or felony) pending against you in any court in New York or elsewhere?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", provide the following information for each charge:

| Year of charge | Jurisdiction where charge occurred | Offense (nature of charge) | Current status of charge |
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5) *Do you have any gambling related debts?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", explain:

6) *Do you have a financial interest in any professional combative sport participant(s), manager(s), second(s), trainer(s), promoter(s) matchmaker(s)?

☐ Yes ☐ No If "YES", provide the following information:

| First and Last Name(s): | Description of your Financial Interest: |
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**EXPERIENCE**

1) *Describe your experience overseeing the specific types of combative sport for which you are seeking a license.

2) *Provide a list of events overseen within the past five years noting the date, location and combative sport type for each event.

3) *Provide the following information as a separate attachment for each lettered category requested below:

a. Applicant business entity's stated mission and primary purpose
b. Policies, protocols and requirements with regard to the combatants use of hand, foot and groin protection, or other safety gear
c. Policies, protocols and requirements with respect to the termination of any combative sport when any participant has endured severe punishment or is in danger of suffering serious physical injury
d. Policies, protocols and requirements to effectuate the appropriate and timely medical treatment of injured persons
e. Policies, protocols and requirements with respect to the presence and responsibilities of a licensed physician at each bout, contest, match or exhibition
f. Policies, protocols and requirements with respect to the use of performance enhancing drugs and illegal substances by participants
g. Policies, protocols and requirements with respect to pre-competition physical examination by a licensed physician, including but not limited to cardiac and neurological evaluation
h. Policies, protocols and requirements with respect to pre-competition medical testing for blood and bodily fluid borne communicative diseases such as HIV and Hepatitis
i. Policies, protocols and requirements with respect to the availability of appropriate emergency medical personnel, equipment, and ambulance transportation
j. Requirements with respect to the provision of accident insurance covering combatants and demonstration that the entity's requirements are in compliance with the minimum requirements for the conduct of combative sports as set forth in §208.16 of the Commission's Regulations
k. The entity's policies, protocols and requirements for the review and approval or rejection of promoters seeking sanctioning by the applicant for a match or exhibition.
l. The entity's policies, protocols and requirements for the qualification and selection of referees and judges for sanctioned matches exhibitions
m. A copy of the entity's required rules and regulations for the conduct of each type of combative sport it is seeking authorization to oversee pursuant to this application.

4) If applying for an Amateur Mixed Martial Arts, Professional or Amateur Muay Thai or Professional or Amateur Kickboxing Sanctioning Entity License, you must provide documentation demonstrating compliance with the standards and requirements as outlined in the corresponding application supplements.

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**CERTIFICATIONS**

By submitting this application, the applicant certifies and warrants the following:

1. Applicant shall at all times during the license term maintain appropriate legal authority to conduct business in New York State.
2. Applicant shall at all times during the license term ensure that no person participates in a combative sport match or exhibition overseen by the applicant while such person is subject to any medical suspension or revocation issued by any State, sanctioning entity, or member of the Association of Boxing Commissions.
3. Applicant shall at all times during the license term meet or exceed minimum standards set forth in the Supplemental Instructions for the combative sport(s) matches and exhibitions it is licensed and authorized to oversee within the State of New York.
4. Applicant certifies that, during the term of licensure, it shall comply with all applicable New York State laws and all applicable rules, regulations, and orders of the New York State Athletic Commission.

**BONDS for applicant seeking a license as an Authorized Sanctioning Entity overseeing and conduct Professional Combative Sports**

**$20,000.00 BOND for Authorized Sanctioning Entity**
Each Authorized Sanctioning Entity seeking to engage in the oversight and conduct of an authorized **professional** combative sport must execute and file with the Department of State a bond in the sum of $20,000.00 conditioned for and guaranteeing the payment of purses and the legitimate expenses of printed tickets and all advertising materials.

☐ I have attached the original $20,000.00 surety bond, bond continuance or proof of bond effectiveness.

Surety Bond Expiration Date _____ OR ☐ Surety Bond is scheduled for Auto Renewal

**$10,000.00 BOND for Authorized Sanctioning Entity**
Each Authorized Sanctioning Entity seeking to engage in the oversight and conduct of an authorized **professional** combative sport must execute and file with the Department of State a bond in the sum of $10,000.00 conditioned for and guaranteeing the faithful performance of the authorized sanctioning entity of the provisions of Article 41 of the General Business Law and the rules and regulations of the Commission.

☐ I have attached the original $10,000.00 surety bond, bond continuance or proof of bond effectiveness.

Guarantee Bond Expiration Date _____ OR ☐ Guarantee Bond is scheduled for Auto Renewal

**AFFIRMATION STATEMENT**

**Applicant Affirmation:**

☐ I, the undersigned, having submitted the necessary bonds and paid the required fee, hereby make application in accordance with the laws of the State of New York and subject to the Rules and Regulations of the New York State Athletic Commission. I understand that this application may be approved or denied by the New York State Department of State, State Athletic Commission upon review, and that the submission of this application does not convey any rights or privileges to undertake activities for which a license is required. I affirm under the penalties of perjury the truth of the information contained herein. I understand and agree that any filing of false information made herein may subject me to criminal and administrative penalties. I further understand and agree that I will immediately amend this license application and file the amended application with the New York State Department of State, State Athletic Commission in the event that any of the information entered herein has changed. I understand that any license issued pursuant to this application is not transferable.

_____
**Applicant Print Name**

**X** _____ _____
**Applicant Signature** **Date**

## Attach the following documentation to your application:

- Documentation supporting your response to the questions in the “Business Background Information” and “Responsible Party Background Information” section of this application
- Provide information requested in the Experience section of this application
- Required Bonds
- Application fee (paid by check or money order)

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# Amateur Mixed Martial Arts Sanctioning Entity License Application Supplement

Your application for Combative Sport Authorized Entity License for ***Amateur MMA*** must contain and/or meet the following minimum standards and your application supplements must reflect these minimum standards:

1. Standards for qualifying fighters, match approvals and denials
2. Standards for approved competition area (cage, ring, dimensions, construction, etc.) and pre-fight inspection
3. Standards for required hand wrapping, approved methods, materials and prohibitions
4. Standards for scoring methods and match decisions
5. Standards for approved preparations to stop hemorrhaging
6. Standards to prohibit the use of performance enhancing drugs and illegal substances by
7. Standards for suspensions, combatant mandatory recovery periods and enforcement
8. Standards to prohibit any amateur fighter from participating without having first secured a National ID Card.
9. Standards to prohibit any combatant from participating in any event while under suspension
10. Standards to prohibit any combatant under the age of 18 years from participating in any event
11. Standards to prohibit matches between male and female contestants
12. Standards to require all promoters to register their event with MMA.TV and complete updates to the card no later than one business day prior to the event.

    Mixed Martial Arts Promoters will be required to create an account with the Association of Boxing Commissions Official Mixed Martial Arts Registry and register their event in advance. The procedure is as follows:

    1. The promoter must contact Mixed Martial Arts LLC at http://abc.mixedmartialarts.com , and
    2. Select the “Request Promoter Credentials” link which will take them to http://abc.mixedmartialarts.com/?fa=login.RequestCreds page
    3. Mixed Martial Arts LLC will work directly with the promoter to create their account and explain how to enter upcoming events into the system

13. Standards to prohibit changes to the fight card within one business day of the event
14. Standards for Amateur matches to be three rounds scheduled for three minutes each with a minimum 60 second rest period between rounds with a 15 second warning signal prior to the start of the next round
15. Standard Weight Classes shall be as follows:

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| Flyweight | 125 lbs and under |
| Bantamweight | 126-135 lbs |
| Featherweight | 136-145 lbs |
| Lightweight | 146-155 lbs |
| Welterweight | 156-170 lbs |
| Middleweight | 171-185 lbs |
| Light Heavyweight | 186-205 lbs |
| Cruiser Heavyweight | 206-230 lbs |
| Heavy Weight | 231-265 lbs |
| Super Heavyweight | Over 265 lbs |

16. Standard to prohibit weight loss in excess of 1% body weight between the time of weigh-in and the beginning of the contest.
17. Standards for the requirement of Amateur Mixed Martial Arts to be contested using either “Novice Division Rules”, designated for fighters who have competed in two or less bouts, or using “Advance Division Rules” for fighters who have completed three or more verifiable bouts regulated by a recognized commission or state approved sanctioning body.
18. Standards permitting bouts between fighters who have three or more fights to be contested using novice division rules and the prohibition of bouts between fighters with two or less to be contested using advance division rules.
19. Standards for fouls for Advance Division Rules (minimum requirements are as follows):

    Advanced Division Rules:

    **a. Holding or grabbing the fence or ropes**
    *A fighter may put their hands on the fence and push off at any time. A fighter may place their feet onto the cage and have their toes go through the fencing material at any time. When a fighter’s fingers or toes go through a cage and grab hold of the fence and start to control their body position or their opponent’s body position it now becomes an illegal action. A fighter may not grab the ropes or wrap their arms over the ring ropes at any time.*

*If a fighter is caught holding the fence, cage or ring rope material the referee shall issue a one-point deduction from the offending fighter's scorecard if the foul caused a substantial change in position such as the avoidance of a takedown. If a point deduction for holding the fence occurs, and because of the infraction, the fouling fighter ends up in a superior position due to the foul, the fighters should be restarted by the referee, standing in a neutral position.*

**b. Holding opponents shorts or gloves**
*A fighter may not control their opponent's movement by holding on to their opponent's shorts or gloves. A fighter may hold onto or grab their opponents hand as long as they are not controlling the hand only by using the material of the glove, but by actually gripping the hand of the opponent. A fighter may hold his own shorts or gloves.*

**c. Butting with the head**
*Any use of the head as a striking instrument whether head to head, head to body or otherwise is illegal.*

**d. Eye gouging**
*Eye gouging of any kind by means of fingers, chin or elbows is illegal. Legal strikes or punches that contact the fighter's eye socket are not eye gouging and shall be considered legal attacks.*

**e. Biting or spitting at an opponent**
*Biting in any form is illegal. A fighter must recognize that a referee may not physically observe some actions, and must make the referee aware if they are being bitten during a bout.*

**f. Hair pulling**
*Pulling of the hair is illegal.*

**g. Fish hooking**
*Any attempt by a fighter to use their fingers in a manner that attacks their opponent's mouth, nose or ears, stretching the skin to that area will be considered "Fish-Hooking".*

**h. Groin attacks of any kind**
*Any attack to the groin area including striking, grabbing, pinching or twisting is illegal.*

**i. Intentional placing of finger into any orifice or into any cut or laceration of the opponent**
*A fighter may not place their fingers into an open laceration in attempt to enlarge the cut. A fighter may not place their fingers into an opponent's nose, ear, mouth, or any other body cavity.*

**j. Elbow strikes of any kind to any area**

**k. Small joint manipulation**
*Fingers and toes are small joints. Wrist, ankles, knees, shoulders and elbows are large joints.*

**l. Strikes to the spine or back of the head**
*Strikes are not permissible from the nape of the neck area up to the top of the ears. Above the ears, permissible strikes do not include the Mohawk area from the top of the ears up to the crown of the head. The crown of the head is found where the head begins to curve. In other words, strikes behind the crown of the head and above the ears are not permissible within the Mohawk area.*

**m. Heel kicks to the kidney**

**n. Throat strikes of any kind**
*A directed attack would include a fighter pulling his or her opponents head in a way to open the neck for a striking attack. A fighter may not gouge their fingers or thumb into their opponent's neck or trachea in attempt to submit their opponent.*

**o. Clawing, pinching, twisting the flesh or grabbing the clavicle**
*Any attack that targets the fighter's skin by clawing at the skin or attempting to pull or twist the skin to apply pain is illegal. Any manipulation of the clavicle is a foul.*

**p. Kicking the head of a grounded opponent**

**q. Kneeing the head of an opponent**

**r. Stomping of a grounded fighter**
*Stomping is considered any type of striking action with the feet where the fighter lifts their leg up bending at the knee and initiating a striking action with the bottom of their foot or heel. Axe kicks are not stomps. Standing foot stomps are not a foul. As such, this foul does not include stomping the feet of a standing fighter.*

**s. The use of abusive language in the fighting arena**

**t. Engaging in any type of unsportsmanlike conduct especially that which may cause injury to an opponent**

**u. Attacking an opponent during the break**
*A fighter shall not engage their opponent in any fashion during a time-out or break of action in competition.*

**v. Attacking an opponent who is under the care of the referee or physician**

**w. Timidity**
*Timidity is defined as any fighter who purposely avoids contact with his opponent, or runs away from the action of a fight. Timidity can also be called by the referee for any attempt by a fighter to receive time by falsely claiming a foul, injury, or purposely dropping or spitting out their mouth piece or other action designed to stall the fight.*

**x. Interference from a corner including throwing in the towel**
*Interference is defined as any action or activity aimed at disrupting the fight or causing unfair advantage to be given to one combatant. Corners are not allowed to distract the referee or influence the actions of the referee or any other official.*

**y. Throwing an opponent out of the cage or ring fighting area**

**z. Flagrant disregard of the referee's instructions**

**aa. Spiking the opponent to the floor onto the head or neck**
*Illegal spiking is considered to be any maneuver where you control your opponent's body and then forcibly drive your opponent's head or neck into the flooring material. Some examples of illegal spiking moves are pile drivers and suplexes.*
*A pile driver is considered to be any throw where you control your opponent's body placing his feet straight up in the air with his head straight down and then forcible drive your opponents head into the flooring material.*
*A suplex has several variations but generally consists of lifting your opponent off the flooring material and then using their body weight to drive the opponent down onto the flooring material onto their head or neck.*
*When a fighter is placed into a submission hold by their opponent and the fighter is capable of elevating their opponent, they may bring that opponent down in any fashion they desire because they are not in control of their opponent's body. The fighter who is attempting the submission can either adjust their position, or let go of their hold before being slammed to the floor.*

**bb. Attacking an opponent after the bell or horn has sounded signaling the end of the period of unarmed combat**

**cc. Linear kicks to the knee joint**

**dd. Neck cranks**
*Any hold that places the fighter's neck in jeopardy from a crank is illegal. Neck cranks such as the "Can Opener" or "Bulldog" are examples of an illegal neck attack, unless the contestant is in their guard and refuses to open their guard.*

**ee. All twisting leg submissions**
*Heel hooks and toe holds are prohibited. Straight knee bars and straight ankle locks are allowed.*

**ff. Spine locks**

**gg. Applying any foreign substance to the hair, body, clothing or gloves immediately prior to or during a contest or exhibition that could result in unfair advantage**

Novice Division Rules

a. Novice Division combatants must wear shin guards

b. In addition to the fouls listed in the Advance Division Rules, the following act constitutes a foul in Novice Division:
**Strikes to the head of a grounded opponent**
*A ground opponent is any fighter who has more than just the soles of their feet on the ground. If the referee determines that a fighter would be grounded but is not solely because the cage fence has held the fighter from the ground, the referee can instruct the combatants that he is treating the fighter as a grounded fighter.*

**Upon Licensure, licensees will be provided with a USER access to the abc.mixedmartialarts.com MMA database registry. The registry can be used to investigate fighter history, track entered fights, and view fighter suspensions. Questions or concerns regarding the database should be directed to stats@mixedmartialarts.com.**

**The New York State Athletic Commission will issue MMA National ID Cards for all amateur mixed martial artists. Participants should be instructed to visit the NYSAC website at www.dos.ny.gov/athletic to obtain the MMA National ID Card application and instructions.**

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# Muay Thai Sanctioning Entity License Application Supplement

Your application for Combative Sport Authorized Entity License for **Muay Thai** must contain and/or meet the following minimum standards and your application supplements must reflect these minimum standards:

1. Standards for qualifying fighters, match approvals and denials
2. Standards for approved competition area (dimensions, construction, etc.) and pre-fight inspection.
3. Standards for required hand wrapping, approved methods, materials and prohibitions
4. Standards for combatant's gloves, approved materials, inspections, construction, etc.
5. Standards for the use of ointments (substances other than Vaseline and Namman Muay are prohibited)
6. Standards for scoring methods and match decisions
7. Standards for approved preparations to stop hemorrhaging
8. Standards for suspensions, combatant mandatory recovery periods and enforcement
9. Standards to prohibit any combatant from participating in any event while under suspension
10. Standards to prohibit matches between male and female contestants
11. Standards to permit Pre-Fight rituals
12. Standards for round lengths or bout durations for each category or division
13. Standards for the maximum allowable weight difference for each weight class
14. Standards for the approval of catch weight bouts
15. Standards for defined weight classes, divisions and age groups
16. Between the time of weigh-in and the beginning of the contest, weight loss in excess of 1% is not permitted.
17. Minimum standards for Professional Muay Thai fouls must include the following:

    a. **Head butting**
    b. **Downward pointed elbow strikes –** *ceiling to floor or 12 to 6 elbow strikes are prohibited*
    c. **Strikes to the groin –** *hits to the groin area/lower abdomen just below the navel called "neb" are permitted. Strikes to the testicles (cup area) are prohibited*
    d. **Direct attacks to the knee –** *side-kicks to the front of a combatants leg are illegal*
    e. **Strikes to the back of the head (rabbit punches)**
    f. **Strikes to the spine**
    g. **Strikes to the throat**
    h. **Striking a downed opponent**
    i. **Failure to obey the referees commands**
    j. **Striking an opponent under the referee's or physician's care**
    k. **Shoving, throwing, or wrestling an opponent except when pushing in a legal clinch**
    l. **Striking when the Referee calls a break**
    m. **Striking after the bell has sounded**
    n. **Holding the ropes or using the ropes as a weapon –** *pushing an opponent's face across the ropes in attempt to cut them is illegal*
    o. **Timidity or intentionally avoiding contact**
    p. **The use of abusive language or abusive gestures**
    q. **Causing intentional delays such as repeatedly spitting out the mouth piece**
    r. **Eye gouging**
    s. **Hair pulling**
    t. **Biting or spitting**
    u. **Holding the opponent's shorts**
    v. **Interference from the fighters corner**
    w. **Tripping or sweeping an opponent –** *it is legal to kick an opponent off their feet. In Muay Thai a kick is considered an action that uses the top of the foot and/or front of the shin. It is possible to hook the foot and kick as long as the top of the foot and/or shin, not the side of the foot make contact with the opponent's leg*
    x. **Hip throws, shoulder throws or leg throws**
    y. **Grasping the opponent's lower back while also forcing an opponent's spine to hyperextend**
    z. **Intentionally falling on an opponent pressing an elbow or knee upon him/her**
    aa. **Wrestling, back or arm locks or any similar judo or wrestling hold**
    bb. **Lifting and throwing an opponent to the canvas**
    cc. **Attempting to "pile drive" an opponent's head to the canvas**
    dd. **Catching an opponent's kick and pushing an opponent for MORE than three steps without attempting to deliver an attacking technique –** *it is permissible to catch your opponents kick, hold the opponent's leg and take up to three steps*

ee. **Intentionally falling to the canvas when a fighter's kick is caught is prohibited –** *it is considered taking advantage over his opponent*

ff. **Stepping on a fallen opponent**

18. Minimum standards for fouls for Amateur Muay Thai (in addition to all minimum standard fouls for Professional Muay Thai) must include the following:

    a. **Novice Amateur Division (two or less fights)**
        - Elbow strikes to the head are prohibited
        - Knee strikes to the head are prohibited
        - Head guards, shin guards, elbow pads and body protectors may be worn

    b. **Advanced Amateur Division (three or more fights)**
        - Elbow strikes with pads to the head are permitted
        - Knee strikes to the head are prohibited

19. Upon approval of application minimum 10 day notice to the New York State Athletic Commission is required in advance of contest, bout or exhibition.

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**State Athletic Commission**
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# Kickboxing Sanctioning Entity License Application Supplement

Your application for Combative Sport Authorized Entity License for **Kickboxing** must contain and/or meet the following minimum standards and your application supplements must reflect these minimum standards:

1. Standards for qualifying fighters, match approvals and denials
2. Standards for approved competition area (dimensions, construction, etc.) and pre-fight inspection.
3. Standards for required hand wrapping, approved methods, materials and prohibitions
4. Standards for combatant's gloves, approved materials, inspections, construction, etc.
5. Standards for the use of ointments (substances other than Vaseline and Namman Muay are prohibited)
6. Standards for scoring methods and match decisions
7. Standards for approved preparations to stop hemorrhaging
8. Standards for suspensions, combatant mandatory recovery periods and enforcement
9. Standards to prohibit any combatant from participating in any event while under suspension
10. Standards to prohibit matches between male and female contestants
11. Standards for round lengths or bout durations for each category or division
12. Standards for the maximum allowable weight difference for each weight class
13. Standards for the approval of catch weight bouts
14. Standards for defined weight classes, divisions and age groups
15. Between the time of weigh-in and the beginning of the contest, weight loss in excess of 1% is not permitted.
16. Permissible target areas may include:

    a. **Front and sides of the head**
    b. **Front and sides of the torso above the belt**
    c. **Inside and outside of the legs, except the knees**

17. Permissible strikes may include:

    a. **Spinning backhands/fists to permissible target areas**
    b. **Leg kicks with the top of the foot or shin to permissible target areas**
    c. **Fist strikes to permissible target areas**
    d. **Spinning kicks to permissible target areas**
    e. **Knee strikes to permissible target areas**

18. Minimum standards for Professional Kickboxing fouls must include the following:

    a. **Head butting**
    b. **Elbow strikes**
    c. **Palm/heel strikes**
    d. **Striking with an open glove or with the wrist**
    e. **Strikes to the groin**
    f. **Direct attacks to the knee –** *kicks to the front of a combatants knee are illegal*
    g. **Attacks to the foot other than sweeps**
    h. **Strikes to the back of the head (rabbit punches)**
    i. **Strikes to the spine**
    j. **Strikes to the throat**
    k. **Striking a downed opponent**
    l. **Clinching or otherwise tying up an opponent's hands or arms to prevent a strike**
    m. **Failure to obey the referees commands**
    n. **Striking an opponent under the referee's or physician's care**
    o. **Striking when the Referee calls a break**
    p. **Striking after the bell has sounded**
    q. **Holding and hitting**
    r. **Holding an opponent's leg while executing more than one striking technique**
    s. **Holding the ropes or using the ropes as a weapon –** *pushing an opponent's face across the ropes in attempt to cut them is illegal*
    t. **Timidity or intentionally avoiding contact**

**u. The use of abusive language or abusive gestures**
**v. Causing intentional delays such as repeatedly spitting out the mouth piece**
**w. Eye gouging**
**x. Hair pulling**
**y. Biting or spitting**
**z. Judo techniques or wrestling submissions**

19. Minimum standards for fouls for Amateur Kickboxing (in addition to all minimum standard fouls for Professional Kickboxing) must include the following:
    - Knee strikes to the head are prohibited
    - Spinning back fists are prohibited

    **a. Novice Amateur Division (two or less fights)**
    - Head gear & shin guards are mandatory

20. Upon approval of application minimum 10 day notice to the New York State Athletic Commission is required in advance of contest, bout or exhibition.

# $20,000 Authorized Sanctioning Entity Bond

## Know All Men by These Presents,

That we,_____, of
(Name of Sanctioning Entity, as applicable)

_____of the City of_____, County of_____and State
(Street and Number)

of New York, as principal, and_____, a corporation duly authorized to issue surety
(Name of Surety Company)

bonds in the State of New York, and whose principal office is located at,_____,

_____, as surety are held and firmly bound unto the People of the State of New York in the sum of twenty thousand dollars, lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid to the People of the State of New York, their attorney or assigns, for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this_____day of_____,_____.

WHEREAS, the above named principal has made, or is about to make, application for an authorized sanctioning entity license to engage in the oversight and conduct of authorized combative sport matches or exhibitions pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 32 of the Laws of 2016, being an Act entitled, "AN ACT to amend the general business law, the tax law, and the alcoholic beverage control law, in relation to authorized combative sports; and to repeal chapter 912 of the laws of 1920, relating to the regulation of boxing, sparring, and wrestling": as amended; and

WHEREAS, said act provides, in part, that each such sanctioning entity shall execute and file with the Secretary of State, a bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000), conditioned for and guaranteeing the payment of professionals' purses, salaries of club employees licensed by the commission, and the legitimate expenses of printing tickets and all advertising material.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that, if the said principal shall well and truly pay all purses, all salaries of club employees licensed by the commission, all legitimate expenses of printing tickets and all advertising material during the term of the aforesaid license, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

_____
(Principal - Name of individual Promoter or Promotional Entity)

By: _____
(Title - Printed Name)

_____
(Signature of Principal)

_____
(Surety - Name of Company)

By: _____
(Signature of Surety Company)

**(Acknowledgment of Principal)**

STATE OF_____,}

COUNTY OF_____,}ss.:

On this _____ day of (month) _____, (year) _____, before me, personally appeared _____

_____, to me known or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence, who, being by me duly
(Name of Signatory)

sworn, did depose and say that s/he resides/conducts business at _____; that
(Address of Residence/Business)

s/he is the _____of _____; the entity described herein and which
(Title of Signatory, if applicable) (Name of Promotional business entity, if applicable)

executed the instrument and s/he acknowledged to me that s/he executed the same for the purposes therein mentioned or that s/he knows the seal of said entity; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such entity seal; that it was so affixed by the order of the Board of Directors of said corporation; and that s/he signed his/her name thereto by like order.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this_____day of_____,_____.

_____
(Notary Public)

**(Acknowledgment of Surety)**

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
COUNTY OF_____}ss.:

On this _____day of_____, _____, before me personally appeared _____, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that s/he resides in _____; that s/he is the_____of the_____. _____the corporation described in and which executed the within instrument; that by order of the board of directors of said corporation s/he signed his/her name thereto and said _____. _____further says that s/he is acquainted with _____and knows him/her to be the_____of the said corporation; that the signature of the said_____. _____subscribed to the within instrument is in the genuine handwriting of the said _____. _____and was subscribed thereto by like order of the board of directors in the presence of him/her the said _____.

_____

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this
_____day of_____, _____.

_____.
Notary Public
Commissioner of Deeds

**INSTRUCTIONS**

The provisions of the General Business Law governing the licensing of the business given on the face of this bond are such that before a license can be issued the approved surety bond must be on file with the Department of State.

The bond must be written, executed, acknowledged and approved before a filing can be accepted and must also bear a date with the effective date of the license when issued. To accomplish this, applicants would arrange with the surety company to have the contract of guaranty written on a conditional basis, so that it can be updated to become effective on the date of issuance of the license applied for.

# $10,000 Authorized Sanctioning Entity Bond

## Know All Men by These Presents,

That we,_____, of
(Name of Sanctioning Entity, as applicable)

_____of the City of_____, County of_____and State
(Street and Number)

of New York, as principal, and_____, a corporation duly authorized to issue surety
(Name of Surety Company)

bonds in the State of New York, and whose principal office is located at,_____,

_____, as surety are held and firmly bound unto the People of the State of New York in the sum of ten thousand dollars, lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid to the People of the State of New York, their attorney or assigns, for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

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(Principal - Name of individual Promoter or Promotional Entity)

By: _____
(Title - Printed Name)

_____
(Signature of Principal)

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(Surety - Name of Company)

By: _____
(Signature of Surety Company)

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STATE OF_____,}

COUNTY OF_____,}ss.:

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(Name of Signatory)
sworn, did depose and say that s/he resides/conducts business at _____; that
(Address of Residence/Business)
s/he is the _____of _____; the entity described herein and which
(Title of Signatory, if applicable) (Name of Promotional business entity, if applicable)
executed the instrument and s/he acknowledged to me that s/he executed the same for the purposes therein mentioned or that s/he knows the seal of said entity; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such entity seal; that it was so affixed by the order of the Board of Directors of said corporation; and that s/he signed his/her name thereto by like order.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this_____day of_____,_____.

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(Notary Public)

**(Acknowledgment of Surety)**

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