

Licenses & Requirements

The following individuals participating in a contest or exhibitions are required to be licensed:

Boxer

All boxing contestants who are Michigan residents are required to have a Federal ID card with their initial license. **In order to obtain the Federal ID card the boxing contestant must come to our office located at 2501 Woodlake Circle, Okemos, MI 48864.**

Boxing contestants with an active Federal ID card may be licensed at the show.

MMA

All MMA contestants who are Michigan residents are required to have a National ID card with their initial license. **In order to obtain the National ID card the MMA contestant must come to our office located at 2501 Woodlake Circle, Okemos, MI 48864.** Also, before a license can be issued or renewed, a mixed martial artist shall undergo a thorough medical examination by a physician or physicians assistant to establish his or her physical fitness for competition.

Boxing Judge

An applicant for a judge's license is required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to engage in a boxing contest, pass a physical examination and shall judge for a minimum of 300 rounds of amateur competitive boxing. In addition, a person seeking a license as a professional judge shall score, unofficially, not fewer than 200 rounds of professional boxing. In order to fulfill the requirements of this subsection, an applicant shall only unofficially judge contests that are approved by the commission for that purpose. An applicant shall not receive compensation for judging boxing contests or exhibitions under this subsection. Scorecards shall be transmitted to the department and the commission for review and evaluation.

MMA Judge

An applicant for a judge's license is required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to engage in a mixed martial arts contest and pass a physical examination.

Boxing Referee

An applicant for a boxing referee's license is required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to engage in a boxing contest, pass a physical examination and shall referee for a minimum of 300 rounds of amateur competitive boxing.

MMA Referee

An applicant for an MMA referee's license is required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to engage in a mixed martial arts contest, and pass a physical examination

Boxing Timekeeper

An applicant for a boxing timekeeper's license is required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to engage in a boxing contest and shall keep time for a minimum of 300 rounds of amateur competitive boxing.

MMA Timekeeper

An applicant for an MMA timekeeper's license is required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to engage in a mixed martial arts contest.

Manager

An applicant for a manager's license is required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to associate in a boxing or mixed martial arts contest, and is prohibited from holding a license as a referee, judge, timekeeper or matchmaker.

Matchmaker

An applicant for a matchmaker's license is required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to associate in a boxing or mixed martial arts contest, and is prohibited for holding a licensed as a referee, timekeeper, judge, boxer, mixed martial artist, or manager.

Ring Official

An applicant for a physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to associate in a boxing or mixed martial arts contest, have an active license with the Michigan Health Department.

Promoter

An applicant for a promoter's license is required to be of good moral character, certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to associate in a boxing or mixed martial arts contest and is prohibited for holding a licensed as a referee, timekeeper, judge, boxer, mixed martial artist, or manager. A request for show must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the show date.

Second

An applicant for a second's license is required to certify his or her own general suitability, character, integrity and ability to engage in a boxing or mixed martial arts contest.

