

Alabama Boxing Commission

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Boxing Commission

RULE NO. & TITLE: 165-X-11 Definitions for Professional Mixed Martial Arts

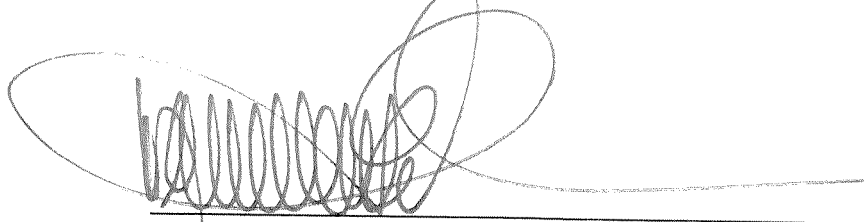
INTENDED ACTION: New

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The Board proposes to provide definitions for professional mixed martial arts.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Written comments will be received by the Board until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2011. Comments should be directed to Keith E. Warren, Executive Director, at 610 S. McDonough Street, Montgomery, AL 36104 or via electronic mail at keith@warrenandco.com or via telephone at 334-269-9990.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:
Monday, December 5, 2011.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Keith E. Warren
Executive Director
610 S. McDonough Street
Montgomery, AL 36104
(334) 269-9990

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Keith E. Warren, *Executive Director*
Alabama Boxing Commission

**TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

Control _____ Department or Agency: Alabama Boxing Commission
Rule No.: 165-X-11
Rule Title: Definitions for Professional Mixed Martial Arts
X New _____ Amend _____ Repeal _____ Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly
Harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? Yes

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's
Police power and the protection of the public health,
Safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation
Available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or
Indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services
Involved and, if so, to what degree? No

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public
Than the harm that might result from the absence of
The proposed rule? No

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely
For the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary
Effect, the protection of the public? Yes

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be
accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-
22-23, Code of Alabama, 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the
requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama, 1975, and that it conforms to all
applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative
Reference Service.

Signature of certifying officer 

Date: October 20, 2011

(DATE FILED)
(STAMP)

CHAPTER 165-X-11

Chapter 165-X-11 Definitions Professional Mixed Martial Arts

(1) “Applicant” means any persons, corporations, organizations or associations required to be licensed before promoting, holding, organizing, participating in, or competing in a professional boxing or professional mixed martial arts match.

(2) “Body jewelry” means any tangible object affixed to, through, or around any portion of the contestant’s body.

(3) “Federal Identification Card” means an identification card issued by the commission pursuant to Chapter 165-X-2 or any such card issued by another boxing, mixed martial arts or athletic commission as required by Chapter 165-X-2.

(4) “Mixed Martial Arts” Unarmed combat involving the use of any combination of techniques from different disciplines of the martial arts, including, without limitation, grappling, submission holds, throws, and striking or kicking with the hands, feet, knees, or elbows.

(5) “Official” unless otherwise indicated is an exclusive term collectively meaning “judges,” “referees,” and “timekeepers.”

(6) “Professional Mixed Martial Arts” includes kick boxing matches, contests, or exhibitions, or mixed martial arts matches, contests, or exhibitions or events, which is not governed or otherwise licensed by the Alabama Athletic Commission as an amateur mixed martial arts event by a recognized amateur sanctioning organization.

(7) “Sanctioning Organization” means a national or internationally organization generally recognized in the professional boxing or mixed martial arts community and which: ranks professional boxers and martial arts competitors within each weight class; sanctions and approves championship matches in those weight classes; and awards championship status and championship prizes (belts, rings, plaques, etc.) to the winner of those matches.

(8) “Special Event” means a boxing or mixed martial arts card or show, which has among its contests a championship match, a pay-per-view or subscription television match, a national televised match, or any other match of significance to professional boxing or mixed martial arts in this state as designated by the Alabama Athletic Commission.

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History: New Rule: