

**RULES  
OF  
TENNESSEE ATHLETIC COMMISSION**

**CHAPTER 0145-05  
AMATEUR EVENTS**

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**0145-05-.01 APPLICABILITY.**

The provisions of this chapter shall apply to all amateur unarmed combat events held or scheduled to be held in the state of Tennessee except those events held by schools, colleges and universities having membership in either the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association or the National Collegiate Athletic Association wherein the participants are bona fide students.

**Authority:** Chapter 1149 of the Public Acts of 2008, § 2 and T.C.A. §§68-115-201, 68-115-301 and 68-115-302 [effective July 1, 2008]. **Administrative History:** Emergency rules 0145-01 through 0145-05 filed November 7, 2008; effective though April 21, 2009. Emergency rule filed April 20, 2009; effective through October 2, 2009. New rule filed March 17, 2009; effective May 31, 2009.

**0145-05-.02 AMATEUR SANCTIONING ORGANIZATIONS.**

Unless exempted pursuant to Rule 0145-05-.01, an amateur combatant shall not participate in any unarmed combat event or exhibition unless the event or exhibition is sanctioned by an amateur sanctioning organization recognized and approved by the Commission and the participant is registered with such sanctioning organization. The Commission will only approve and recognize those amateur sanctioning organizations that are able to establish and enforce rules as strict as, or stricter, than those established by the Commission for professional unarmed combat contests.

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**0145-05-.03 PERMITS FOR AMATEUR EVENTS.**

- (1) A promoter of an amateur event of unarmed combat shall obtain a permit from the Commission not less than thirty (30) days prior to the event.
- (2) Applications for permits shall be submitted on forms prescribed by the Commission. The applicant shall completely and truthfully respond to all questions or requests for information propounded on, or in connection with, the application. Provided that the information is complete, the application shall be processed by the Commission within five (5) business days of receipt thereof.
- (3) The fee for the permit shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00); however, if the applicant establishes for the Commission that it is a non-profit organization, as that term is defined within the United States revenue code, the fee shall be waived.

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