

**COMBAT SPORTS AUTHORITY OF MAINE
2012-2013 AMENDED REGULATORY AGENDA**

AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: **99-650**

AGENCY NAME: **Combat Sports Authority of Maine**

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EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:

None

EXPECTED 2012-2013 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:

A. Repeal and Replacement of Chapters 1 through 12, Rules Governing Mixed Martial Arts Competitions:

STATUTORY BASIS: 8 M.R.S. §§ 523 and 529(1)

PURPOSE (of the rules): These rules cover the general conduct, technical requirements, judging, refereeing, promotion, competitors, managers, seconds, ringside physicians, inspectors, timekeepers, criteria for certification and other approvals, and fees involved in mixed martial arts competitions regulated by the Authority. Amendments will improve the Authority's ability to supervise events and authorized participants, will correct technical errors in the present texts, will clarify the present texts' terminology and applicability, and will provide greater guidance to all authorized participants as to permissible activities.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Promulgation is anticipated to begin in 2012. The Authority will promulgate the rules' chapter(s) amending fees as emergency major substantive rules.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Authorized participants in mixed martial arts competitions and the public audience for mixed martial events

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT (as outlined in 5 M.R.S.

§ 8051-B): In addition to entertaining comments pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, the Authority expects to consult with interested persons but does not expect to initiate formal consensus-based rulemaking.

B. Chapters 1 through 13, Rules Governing Boxing Competitions:

STATUTORY BASIS: 8 M.R.S. §§ 523 and 529(1)

PURPOSE (of the rules): These rules will cover the general conduct, technical requirements, judging, refereeing, promotion, competitors, managers, seconds, ringside physicians, inspectors, timekeepers, criteria for certification and other approvals, and fees involved in boxing competitions regulated by the Authority. The rules will be designed to parallel in form the Authority's rules governing mixed martial arts. They will elaborate on the Authority's ability, as established by 8 M.R.S. Chapter 20, to supervise boxing events and to provide guidance to all authorized participants as to permissible activities.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Promulgation is anticipated to begin in 2012.

The Authority will promulgate the rules' chapter(s) establishing fees as emergency major substantive rules.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Authorized participants in boxing competitions and the public audience for boxing events

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT (as outlined in 5 M.R.S.

§ 8051-B): In addition to entertaining comments pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, the Authority expects to consult with interested persons but does not expect to initiate formal consensus-based rulemaking.

C. Such other rules as circumstances anticipated or encountered by the Authority may require

STATUTORY BASIS: 8 M.R.S. §§ 523 and 529(1)

PURPOSE (of the rules): Regulation of mixed martial arts and/or boxing

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: As necessary

AFFECTED PARTIES: Authorized participants in mixed martial arts and/or boxing competitions and the public audience for mixed martial events and/or boxing events

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT (as outlined in 5 M.R.S.A §8051-B): In addition to entertaining comments pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, the Authority would consult with interested persons but does not expect that it would be necessary to initiate formal consensus-based rulemaking.