

PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET
Boxing and Wrestling Commission
(Amended at ARRS Committee)

201 KAR 27:106. Violations, penalties, and appeals.

RELATES TO: KRS 229.025, 229.031, 229.131, 229.155, 229.171, 229.190, 229.200

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 229.025, 229.155, 229.171, 229.190, 229.200

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 229.171(1) authorizes the commission to exercise sole jurisdiction over all unarmed combat shows and licensees in the commonwealth. This administrative regulation establishes the policies and procedures that govern the finding of a violation of KRS Chapter 229 or 201 KAR Chapter 27, the issuance of a penalty, and the appeal of a penalty.

Section 1. Violations.

- (1) A person shall be guilty of a violation for any of the actions listed in KRS 229.200(1)(a)-(i).
- (2) A person shall be guilty of a violation if the person authorizes or ratifies any of the actions in subsection (1) of this section if the action is taken by the person's agent, employee, shareholder, member, officer, or director.
- (3) A person who commits a violation shall be issued a notice of violation.

Section 2. Penalties.

- (1) If the commission has reason to believe that a person has committed a violation, the commission may impose one (1) or more of the penalties listed in KRS 229.200(2).
- (2) In issuing a penalty pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, the commission shall consider:
 - (a) The severity of the violation;
 - (b) The licensee's history of violations and penalties;
 - (c) The violation's potential impact on health, safety, and the outcome of a contest; and
 - (d) If the penalty is for a violation of 201 KAR 27:023, the penalty guidelines established in 201 KAR 27:023, Section 7.
- (3) A person whose license is currently suspended shall not:
 - (a) Be present in a locker room that is used during a commission-sanctioned event; and
 - (b) Be located within the six (6) foot area surrounding the ring or cage at a commission-sanctioned event.

Section 3. Inspector's Authority to Issue a Violation and a Penalty.

- (1) Pursuant to KRS 229.155, the commission shall authorize its inspectors to:
 - (a) Issue a notice of violation in accordance with Section 1 of this administrative regulation; and
 - (b) Issue a penalty in accordance with Section 2 of this administrative regulation.
- (2) A penalty issued by an inspector shall be subject to appeal pursuant to Section 5 of this administrative regulation.

Section 4. Reciprocity of a Penalty.

- (1) A licensee who is subjected to a penalty in any jurisdiction shall report to the commission within ten (10) days the date, type, and reason for the penalty given and the name of the regulatory body that ordered the penalty.
- (2) The commission shall enforce the penalty given by any other regulatory body.

Section 5. Appeals.

- (1) Any person issued a penalty may appeal the penalty to the full commission pursuant to KRS 229.190.

- (2) An appeal shall be filed within twenty (20) days of the date the penalty is issued.
- (3) A contestant may petition the commission to change a decision rendered at the end of a professional contest or exhibition in which he or she competed. The commission shall not change a decision rendered at the end of any contest or exhibition unless:
 - (a) The commission determines that there was collusion affecting the result of the contest or exhibition;
 - (b) The compilation of the scorecards of the judges discloses an error which shows that the decision was given to the wrong unarmed combatant; or
 - (c) As the result of an error in interpreting a provision of KRS Chapter 229, the referee has rendered an incorrect decision.

Section 6. Effect of Expiration of License on Jurisdiction of the Commission. The expiration of a license shall not deprive the commission of jurisdiction to:

- (1) Proceed with an investigation of the former licensee; or
- (2) Issue a penalty against the former licensee.

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