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KICKBOXING SA REGULATIONS

The Minister of Sport and Recreation has under section of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended), and after consultation with KICKBOXING SA, made the Regulations in the Schedule.

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Definitions

1. In these Regulations any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act must have the meaning so assigned and unless the context otherwise indicates -

“**Act**” means the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended);

“**agent**” means any person to whom a certificate of registration as such has been issued in terms of regulation 2;

“**blow below the belt**” means a blow delivered to the groin;

“**fight!**” means a command by the referee to continue fighting;

“**break**” means that on the command “break!” as contemplated in regulation both fighters shall before resuming fighting take a step backwards and be on the defensive while doing so and as soon as both fighters have moved in this manner a fighter may resume fighting immediately without being ordered to do so by the referee;

“**broadcast income**” means all income derived from or arising out of the sale, cession, licensing or any other disposal by the promoter of the television, radio or other broadcast rights in relation to the tournament to a local or international broadcaster or to any other person or body;

“**certificate of registration**” means a certificate of registration issued in terms of regulation 2;

“**clinching**” means holding with one or both hands;

“**code**” means the code of conduct contemplated in regulation 5(1);

“**counting out**” means the procedure that begins immediately after a contestant is down and after the order “stop!” has been given by the referee and the opponent has retired to the neutral corner farthest from the fighter who is down;

“**down**” means that -

- (a) any part of a fighter’s body, other than his or her feet, is on or has touched the ring floor;
- (b) a fighter is hinging over the ropes in a helpless condition;
- (c) although a fighter arises fully he or she is unable to defend himself or herself; and
- (d) a fighter lands on the ring floor and arises before the referee calls "out", and immediately goes down again without being hit;

“**fight**” means a contest between two fighters sanctioned by KICKBOXING SA;

“**fight!**” means a command by the referee to continue fighting;

“**fighter**” means a kickboxer muaythai or thaiboxer;

“**kickboxing**” means to fight in a stand up position using fist punches and kicks to attack an opponent;

“**KICKBOXING SA**” means the professional Kickboxing Board established and governed in terms of its own Constitution to oversee and control kickboxing, muaythai and thaiboxing in the Republic;

“**kidney punch**” means a deliberate blow delivered at the part of the body over the kidneys;

“**licence**” means a certificate of registration issued in terms of regulation 2;

“**licensee**” means a person to whom a certificate of registration has been issued in terms of regulation 2;

“**manager**” means any person to whom a certificate of registration has been issued in terms of regulation 2;

“**medical practitioner**” refers to a medical doctor appointed by a promoter to perform medical services at a pre-fight, weigh-in and tournament or appointed by KICKBOXING SA to perform medical services;

“**muaythai**” means to fight in a stand up position using fist punches, kicks, knees, elbows and throw downs to attack an opponent, but not his/her groin;

“**official**” means a referee, judge, timekeeper, ringmaster and announcer to whom a certificate of registration has been issued in terms of regulation 2;

“**other income**” means all income of any nature whatsoever that is directly or indirectly derived from or arises out of or is connected with the staging of a tournament, including, but not limited to admission fees, sponsorships and advertising income, but excluding the broadcast income;

“**pivot blow**” means a blow delivered when a fighter pivots round on one foot, swinging his or her arm with him or her, and as he or she completes his or her revolution, delivers a blow of any kind whatsoever;

“**promoter**” means any person to whom a certificate of registration as such has been issued in terms of regulation 2;

“**provincial office**” means a provincial office of KICKBOXING SA;

“**purse**” means the amount of money payable by a promoter to a fighter in respect of his or her participation in a tournament;

“**rabbit punch**” means a downward chopping blow delivered to the back of the neck with the side of the gloved hand;

“**round**” means part of a fight between two fighters, the commencement and termination whereof is determined by the sounding of a bell or gong by the timekeeper: Provided that in the case of a bout between male fighters the duration of a round shall be three minutes and, in the case of a bout between female fighters, two minutes;

“**South African Institute for Drug-Free Sport**” means the Institute established by section 2 of the South African Institute for Drug-Free Sport Act, 1997 (Act No. 14 of 1997);

“**stop**” means a command by the referee that the fighters must stop fighting;

“supervisory official” means the person designated by KICKBOXING SA to exercise overall control over a tournament;

“tap” means one of a series of indirect light blows (usually employed at close quarters) which have no effect upon an opponent;

“thaiboxing” means to fight in a stand up position using fist punches, kicks and knees to attack an opponent, **but not his/her groin;**

“tournament” shall mean a kick boxing/professional martial art event staged by a promoter and consisting of more than one bout sanctioned by KICKBOXING SA with no less than 30 rounds.

Registration of applicants

2. (1) Any person who wishes to take part in a tournament as a fighter, promoter, matchmaker, manager, agent, trainer, second or official shall annually, on the appropriate application forms set out in Annexures A and B, apply to KICKBOXING SA to be registered as such.

(2) If an application contemplated in subregulation (1) is approved, KICKBOXING SA must issue to the applicant a certificate of registration on the appropriate form set out in Annexures C, D or E.

(3) A person to whom a certificate of registration has been issued by KICKBOXING SA,

(a) must conform to a code of conduct determined by KICKBOXING SA; and

(b) shall be bound by the Act and these Regulations and any other legislation governing kickboxing .

(4) No person may act in any capacity other than that in which he or she has been registered.

(5) No person may be registered in more than one capacity at the same time, regardless whether it is in his or her personal capacity or as a shareholder, member or director of a juristic person or as a representative of any person or body.

(6) A certificate of registration must, subject to the provisions of these Regulations and any conditions subject to which it was issued, be valid throughout the Republic, unless otherwise stipulated by KICKBOXING SA at the time of the issue thereof, and the holder thereof shall apply for renewal thereof in each calendar year.

Registration requirements for fighters

3. (1) In order to be registered as a fighter, an applicant shall, subject to the provisions of regulation 2(1) -

- (a) be older than 18 years but younger than 35 years in the case of a first registration: Provided that a fighter who has not participated in a KICKBOXING SA contest for a continuous period of 12 months or more shall be deemed to be a first registration;
 - (b) submit in writing to KICKBOXING SA his or her history as a fighter, with full supporting evidence;
 - (c) at the request of KICKBOXING SA, report to a gymnasium determined by KICKBOXING SA in order to have his or her fighting ability tested by a person designated by KICKBOXING SA;
 - (d) submit himself or herself, at his or her own expense, to a medical examination by a registered medical practitioner and submit the results of the examination to KICKBOXING SA in the form set out in Annexure F, which medical examination shall include a test for the Human Immune-deficiency Virus (HIV-infection) and Hepatitis B and, in the case of a female fighter, a breast and pelvic examination; and
 - (e) submit himself or herself, at his or her own expense, to a medical examination contemplated in paragraph (d) annually when applying to renew his or her registration, or at any other time when requested thereto by KICKBOXING SA.
- (2) A certificate of registration contemplated in regulation 2 shall not be issued to a fighter if he or she suffers from any of the following medical conditions:
- (a) High blood pressure (hypertension amounting to a reading higher than 140/80 taken over several readings);
 - (b) an organic heart disease or a history of cardiac surgery;
 - (c) a lung disease;
 - (d) retinopathy, a retinal detachment or a history of eye surgery;
 - (e) defective vision: both eyes not less than J10 for myopia or 20/100 for hyperopia;
 - (f) herniae of the abdomen or organomegaly (liver or spleen) or palpable masses in the abdominal region;
 - (g) absence of one kidney or evidence of a renal disease;
 - (h) physical deformity or other medical condition that, in the opinion of KICKBOXING SA or its medical advisors, may lead to bodily injury or may affect the fighter's ability to adequately defend himself or herself;
 - (i) a brain disease, brain injury or a history of brain surgery;
 - (j) evidence of disease of the nervous system;
 - (k) an enlargement of the thyroid or lymphatic glands or active thyroid disease;
 - (l) the human immuno-deficiency virus infection;

- (m) hepatitis B surface antigen;
- (n) pregnancy in the case of a female fighter;
- (o) evidence of breast disease or in the case of a female fighter a history of breast surgery ;
- (p) any other disease or medical condition which, in the opinion of KICKBOXING SA or its medical advisors, may constitute a risk to the health of the fighter, his or her opponents, or the fighter and his or her opponents, as the case may be.

(3) KICKBOXING SA shall annually, in the case of a fighter's application for the renewal of his or her registration, review his or her application, and if, in the opinion of KICKBOXING SA, the fighter has endured excessive punishment, KICKBOXING SA may, despite the fighter undergoing a positive neurological investigation, refuse his or her application for renewal.

(4) KICKBOXING SA shall annually, in the case of an application by a fighter for the renewal of his or her registration who is 35 years or older for registration, require the fighter to submit himself or herself, at his or her expense, to the medical examinations and tests that KICKBOXING SA deem appropriate in order to determine whether it is in the best interests of his or her mental or physical well-being to continue fighting.

(5) A fighter may assume and use a ring name, but the right to use any ring name is subject to the approval of KICKBOXING SA and may be refused by KICKBOXING SA either at the time of the boxer applying for registration as a fighter or at any time thereafter should KICKBOXING SA, on reasonable grounds, deem it undesirable for the fighter to use or to continue using such ring name.

Registration requirements for officials

4. (1) In order to be registered as an official for the first time, an applicant must, subject to the provisions of regulation 2(1) -

- (a) be at least 18 years old;
- (b) have the experience in either amateur or professional kickboxing/thaiboxing and Muaythai that KICKBOXING SA deems appropriate for a person to have in order to be a professional official;
- (c) undertake and pass a written or a practical examination, or both written or practical examinations as the case may be, set by KICKBOXING SA; and
- (d) complete an apprenticeship determined by KICKBOXING SA.

(2) KICKBOXING SA shall annually, in the case of an official's application for the renewal of his or her registration, review his or her application and if KICKBOXING SA is on reasonable grounds of the opinion that he or she did not perform satisfactorily during the previous year, KICKBOXING SA may refuse his or her application for renewal.

Registration requirements for managers, promoters and matchmakers

5. (1) In order to be registered as a manager, promoter or matchmaker for the first time, an applicant must undertake and pass a written or oral examination and both a written or oral examination as the case may be, set by KICKBOXING SA for the purposes of testing his or her knowledge of these Regulations and any other legislation governing kickboxing the code, the generally accepted rules of Kickboxing and his or her general knowledge of kickboxing/martial art management, promoting or matchmaking, as the case may be.

(2) KICKBOXING SA shall annually, in the case of a manager, promoter or matchmaker's application for the renewal of his or her registration, review his or her application and if KICKBOXING SA is on reasonable grounds of the opinion that he or she has not performed satisfactorily during the past year, KICKBOXING SA may refuse his or her application for renewal as a member or as official. all officials will be rated according to their performance yearly.

Registration requirements for trainers and seconds

6. (1) In order to be registered as a trainer or second for the first time, an applicant must undertake and pass a written and oral examination or both a written or oral examination as the case may be, set by KICKBOXING SA for the purposes of testing his or her knowledge of these Regulations and any other legislation governing kickboxing, the code and his or her knowledge of the generally accepted rules of kickboxing/martial arts, the treatment of injuries, physical conditions, health care, nutrition, training, first aid, effects of drugs and alcohol on fighters and the bandaging of a fighters' s hands.

(2) KICKBOXING SA shall annually, in the case of a trainer's or second's application for the renewal of his or her registration, review his or her application and if KICKBOXING SA is on reasonable grounds of the opinion that he or she did not perform satisfactorily in the previous year, KICKBOXING SA may refuse his or her application for renewal.

Registration requirements for agents

7. (1) In order to be registered as an agent for the first time, an applicant must undertake and pass a written or oral examination, or both a written and oral examination as the case may be, set by KICKBOXING SA for purposes of testing his or her knowledge of these Regulations and any other legislation governing kickboxing, the code and of kickboxing generally.

(2) KICKBOXING SA shall annually, in the case of an agent's application for the renewal of his or her registration, review his or her application and if KICKBOXING SA is on reasonable grounds of the opinion that the agent has not performed satisfactorily during the previous year, KICKBOXING SA may refuse his or her application for renewal.

(3) All foreign fighters engaged to fight in the Republic shall be represented by an agent registered under regulation 2 and who permanently resides in the Republic.

(4) An agent contemplated in subregulation (3) shall be responsible for -

(a) applying to KICKBOXING SA for certificates of registration for the foreign fighter, his or her manager and seconds;

- (b) ensuring that the overseas fighter's is in possession of an international fighter's licence or other documentation to the satisfaction of KICKBOXING SA which contains the fighter's current licence status, his or her fighting record, medical fitness status to take part in the proposed bout accompanied by a certificate or other evidence of authorization from the control body of kickboxing in his or her country;
- (c) attending the weigh-in with the foreign fighter's and being at ringside during the bout; and
- (d) engaging the services of an interpreter, who shall be available at all material times, if the agent is unable to converse in the language of the foreign fighter or his/her manager.

(5) The provisions of subregulation (4) shall apply, subject to the changes required by the context, to an agent who accompanies a local fighter abroad to participate in a bout.

Registration and renewal fees

8. (1) KICKBOXING SA shall annually determine -
- (a) the various registration fees payable by persons applying for registration in terms of regulation 2(1); and
 - (b) the various renewal fees payable by persons applying for the renewal of their registration in terms of regulation 2(6)

and must cause these fees to be published in writing at its premises.

(2) Fees published in terms of subregulation (1) shall constitute due notice thereof and no further notice shall be required.

(3) An application contemplated in regulation 2(1) shall be accompanied by the relevant registration fee contemplated in subregulation (1)(a).

(4) The renewal fees contemplated in subregulation (1)(b) shall be payable not later than 31 March of each year, failing which the certificate of registration shall lapse.

Collection of fees

9. All registration and other fees payable in terms of or these Regulations shall be payable to KICKBOXING SA.

Cancellation or suspension of fighters' certificate of registration due to excessive punishment

10. (1) If a fighter has sustained a knockout as a result of a blow to the head, his or her certificate of registration shall be automatically suspended for a period of 90 days, during which period he or she shall not take part in any contact training.

(2) If a fighter has sustained a knockout as a result of a blow to the head in two consecutive fights within a period of six months, his or her certificate of registration shall be automatically suspended for a period of six months, during which period he or she may not participate in any form of contact training.

(3) If a fighter is knocked out as a result of a blow to the body or the supervisory official is on reasonable grounds of the opinion that a fighter has endured excessive punishment, the supervisory official may suspend his or her certificate of registration for a period of 30 days.

(4) If a fighter has endured very severe punishment as a result of an early technical knockout or multiple knockdowns, the supervisory official may suspend his or her certificate of registration for a period of 60 days.

(5) It shall be the responsibility of both the fighter and the fighter's manager to ensure that the provisions of subregulations (1) and (2) are complied with.

(6) If a fighter has sustained a knockout as a result of a blow to the head in four consecutive fights or KICKBOXING SA is on reasonable grounds of the opinion that the fighter endured severe punishment, KICKBOXING SA may order that such fighter retire in the interests of his or her mental or physical well-being.

(7) The certificate of registration of a fighter who has sustained a knockout as a result of a blow to the head in five consecutive fights shall be automatically cancelled, and he or she shall not be re-admitted to fighting until he or she has undergone a medical examination, including a thorough neurological examination at his or her own expense by a neurologist or neurosurgeon appointed by KICKBOXING SA.

Sanctioning of tournaments, fees and purse monies

11. (1) All applications by promoters for the sanctioning of tournaments shall be made in writing and submitted to KICKBOXING SA at least 30 days prior to the date of the tournament, and shall contain the following information:

- (a) full details of the said tournaments bouts, including the records of all the fighters;
- (b) a detailed breakdown of the costs of the tournament including, amongst others, hiring charges, printing and advertising, travel expenses, purses to be paid to fighters, licensing fees for staging tournaments, fees to agents, if applicable, and third parties;
- (c) details of all income, secured and anticipated, including, amongst others, ticket sales, sponsorships, income from advertisers, site fees and broadcast income;
- (d) a marketing plan for the tournament;

- (e) details relating to the suitability of the venue, including, *inter alia*, parking facilities for patrons and officials, emergency exits, lighting, seating arrangements, fire fighting equipment and accessibility to the public and, in the case of public facilities, compliance with existing legislation;
- (f) an undertaking that the ring and the dressing thereof will meet the technical standards contained in these regulations and that the ring will be erected timeously to enable KICKBOXING SA to conduct an inspection thereof prior to the tournament;
- (g) full details of private security arrangements to secure members of the public, the fighters and officials;
- (h) copies of signed contracts, on the form set out in Annexure H, for the fighters engaged for the tournament, which contracts shall specify the purses payable to the fighters;
- (i) confirmation that an accredited medical practitioner will be available at the venue for the duration of the tournament;
- (j) confirmation that an ambulance will be on standby at the venue for the duration of the tournament;
- (k) confirmation that the South African Police Service have been notified of the tournament;
- (l) confirmation that adequate public liability insurance has been taken out for the tournament;
- (m) confirmation that KICKBOXING SA has been fully indemnified for any or all damages or losses of whatever nature and arising from whatever cause;
- (n) confirmation that a hospital close to the venue has been notified of the tournament and that its neurological department and all other medical divisions necessary will be on standby for the duration of the tournament;
- (o) confirmation that the promoter will pay the costs of an *inspection in loco* to be conducted by KICKBOXING SA or its authorized agent at the venue prior to the tournament; and
- (p) any other information that KICKBOXING SA may consider necessary to satisfy itself that the tournament will be financially viable, that adequate arrangements have been made for the safety of the fighters, officials and members of the public and that the promoter has and will comply fully with his or her obligations under Regulations and any other legislation governing kickboxing.

(2) The application contemplated in subregulation (1) must be accompanied by the payment of a non-refundable deposit which shall be part of the licensing fee payable for the staging of the tournament, the amount of which shall be determined by KICKBOXING SA

(3) Upon compliance by a promoter with the provisions of subregulations (1) and (2), KICKBOXING SA shall consider the application and either -

- (a) refuse to sanction the tournament, on reasonable grounds; or
- (b) sanction the tournament, subject to any conditions which to KICKBOXING SA are reasonable,

and advise the promoter within two working days of its decision in writing.

(4) A promoter must not later than 30 days prior to the date of a tournament or by any other date specified by KICKBOXING SA, deposit with KICKBOXING SA in cash or by bank guaranteed cheque an amount equal to the total of -

- (a) the purses to be paid to the fighters engaged for the tournament or where one or more fighters are to be paid a percentage, the estimated amount thereof as determined by KICKBOXING SA;
- (b) the fees to be payable to the officials appointed by KICKBOXING SA for a tournament; and
- (c) the estimated amount of KICKBOXING SA's licensing fee for the tournament contemplated in subregulation (5), as determined by KICKBOXING SA.

(5) A promoter must-

- (a) within seven days after the staging of a tournament submit to KICKBOXING SA under oath a written statement setting forth the broadcast income and other income derived from the tournament;
- (b) within 30 days after the staging of a tournament pay to KICKBOXING SA as a licensing fee-
 - (i) where the total of the broadcast income and other income does not exceed R2 000 000,00, an amount equal to the total of 10% of the broadcast income and 5% of the other income, plus value added tax; or
 - (ii) where the total of the broadcast income and other income exceeds R2 000 000,00, the sanctioning fee, plus value added tax, which was agreed in writing by KICKBOXING SA and the promoter prior to the sanctioning of the tournament by KICKBOXING SA

:Provided that the licensing fee deposit and the estimated licensing fee which were paid to KICKBOXING SA under subregulations (2) and (4)(c) respectively, shall be deducted from the amount payable under this subregulation; and

- (c) pay interest on the principal amount from the time the failure commences at the rate of prime plus two per cent per annum should he or she fail or neglect to comply with the time limit specified in paragraph (b).

(6) Notwithstanding that a tournament has been sanctioned by KICKBOXING SA, it shall, at any time prior to the tournament, have the right to revoke its sanctioning of the tournament if -

- (a) the promoter is in breach of any of its obligations in terms of or these Regulations or any other legislation governing kickboxing sa; or
- (b) the promoter is in breach of any of the conditions which KICKBOXING SA attached to the sanctioning of the tournament,

where upon KICKBOXING SA shall not be liable due such revocation for any losses incurred or damages suffered thereby by any third party, including the promoter.

(7) Until a promoter has complied, to the satisfaction of KICKBOXING SA, with all his or her obligations in terms of these Regulations with regard to any tournament staged by him or her, KICKBOXING SA may refuse to sanction any further tournament applied for by that promoter.

Sanctioning of female and amateur and professional bouts

12. (1) In addition to any other specific conditions contained in these Regulations, KICKBOXING SA may impose other conditions regarding the safety of the fighters before sanctioning a bout between female fighters.

(2) Bouts between male and female fighters are prohibited.

(3) Bouts between amateur and professional fighters are prohibited

Staging of tournaments

13. (1) When staging a tournament, the promoter shall provide one seat free of charge on the ring apron for each member of KICKBOXING SA and for each of the officials appointed by KICKBOXING SA for the tournament.

(2) The seats provided for the judges shall be separate from and not closer than one meter to the seats provided for and occupied by other officials or other persons and shall provide the judges with a clear and unobstructed view of the interior of the ring.

(3) KICKBOXING SA shall, at least five working days prior to each tournament, give written notice to the South African Institute for Drug-Free Sport of the staging of the tournament so as to enable the Institute to conduct doping tests on the participating fighters.

(4) The promoter shall, at his or her cost, engage properly trained security personnel to the satisfaction of KICKBOXING SA, for purposes of maintaining safety and security at the venue during the staging of the tournament: Provided that the promoter may *in lieu* of, or in addition to, such security personnel, obtain the attendance at the tournament venue of sufficient members of the South African Police Services.

(5) A promoter shall not schedule less than 30 or more than 50 rounds of fighting or not less than 6 bouts, as the case may be, at a tournament, save with the prior written approval of KICKBOXING SA.

(6) If due to inclement weather, in the case of any outdoor tournament, a postponement becomes necessary, KICKBOXING SA may grant an extension of the various contracts relating to the tournament and, in consultation with the promoter, set a new date for the tournament, whereby the decision of KICKBOXING SA shall be binding upon all the parties to such contracts.

(7) No change may be made by a promoter to the contestants for any bout of a tournament, save with the prior written approval of KICKBOXING SA, provided that notice of such change shall be given by the promoter to the media at least 24 hours prior to the tournament, shall be displayed in a conspicuous place at the box office and shall be announced from the ring at the commencement of the tournament.

(8) If any persons who have purchased tickets for a tournament prior to the announcement of a change contemplated in subregulation (7) desire to have the price of their ticket refunded, such refund shall be made by the promoter immediately upon presentation of the ticket or ticket stub at the box office, and the box office shall remain open for a reasonable period of time for purposes of refunding such tickets.

(9) A promoter shall display in public view at the venue where a tournament is held, a notice which states that it is unlawful to throw any object in the direction of the ring.

Prohibition of alcohol and tobacco

14. (1) Subject to subregulation (3) and the provisions of the Liquor Act, 1989, (Act No. 27 of 1989), no intoxicating liquor must be sold in any defined and enclosed area where a tournament is being held, and no person shall bring any intoxicating liquor into such area.

(2) The sale of soft drinks in glass bottles or in metal containers or other containers made of hard material shall not be permitted in any place where a tournament is being held, and no person shall bring such drinks in such bottles or containers into such place, except soft drinks in soft plastic or similar containers.

- (3) (a) A special concession to sell intoxicating liquor in the place where a tournament is being held may, upon written application by the promoter, be granted by KICKBOXING SA for purposes of allowing functions such as "fight and dine" tournaments.
- (b) KICKBOXING SA may grant a concession contemplated in paragraph (a) subject to the conditions that it may deem appropriate: Provided that such premises are duly licensed in terms of the Liquor Act, 1989 (Act No. 27 of 1989).
- (c) A promoter shall display no smoking signs where it shall be clearly visible in the hall or arena at a tournament.

Contracts between fighters and promoters and managers

15. (1) Any person wishing to promote a tournament must be the holder of a valid promoter's license issued in terms of regulation 2.

(2) The name of the promoter of a tournament shall be printed on all handbills, posters, advertisements and programmes: Provided that a promoter shall not, without the prior written approval of KICKBOXING SA, be entitled to advertise that he or she is promoting a tournament jointly or in association with any other person unless such other person is also the holder of a valid promoter's license issued in terms of regulation 2.

(3) A promoter must, before engaging the services of a fighter, including substitutes for a tournament, take all reasonable steps to satisfy himself or herself that the fighter will not by participating in the tournament be committing any breach of these Regulations or any other legislation governing kickboxing, or any existing contract of engagement.

(4) In the event that a promoter appoints a licensed matchmaker or an agent authorized as a signatory in respect of any contract by the promoter, he or she shall declare in writing to KICKBOXING SA the name of such agent or match-maker upon appointment.

(5) In the event of a tournament taking place and both fighters engaged for a bout are willing and able to fight but do not fight through no fault of their own, the promoter shall pay both fighters their full contracted purse unless otherwise agreed between the promoter and such fighters in writing.

(6) A promoter shall ensure that all officials or professional persons exercising any powers or carrying out any duties at a tournament shall, at the promoter's cost, be transported to and from the tournament and be accommodated overnight, if necessary, before or after the tournament, or before and after the tournament as the case may be, as KICKBOXING SA may determine.

(7)(a) A contract between a promoter and a fighter for a long-term engagement shall be in the form similar to that in Annexure G.

(b) A promoter who has engaged a fighter in terms of a contract contemplated in paragraph (a) shall nevertheless be required to comply with the provisions of regulation 11(1)(h) in respect of each tournament in which the promoter engages that fighter to participate in.

(8) Subject to the provisions of these Regulations and any other legislation governing kickboxing, a contract between a promoter and a contemplated in subregulation (6)(a) must be valid for a maximum period of 24 months from the date of approval thereof by KICKBOXING SA and any renewal of that contract shall be in writing and shall also be submitted to KICKBOXING SA for approval.

(9) A contract between a promoter and a fighter contemplated in subregulation (7)(b) shall be valid for a period of 60 days from the date on which it is approved by KICKBOXING SA, whereafter it shall automatically lapse and be of no further force or effect.

(10) No contract between a promoter and a fighter must be signed in blank or be left undated.

(11) A promoter must in terms of a contract contemplated in subregulation (6)(a) undertake to promote a minimum of two bouts and a maximum of four bouts per year on behalf of the fighter.

(12) The purse payable to a fighter must be clearly stipulated in a contract contemplated in subregulation (7)(b).

(13) No fighter shall be managed or advised by any person other than a licensed manager or agent and no fighter shall authorize, permit or suffer any person who is not so licensed to act, whether for reward or not, as his or her manager or agent.

(14) A contract between a manager and a fighter shall be on a form similar to Annexure I and shall remain valid for a maximum period of two years from the date of approval thereof by KICKBOXING SA.

(15) A manager must in terms of his or her contract with a fighter undertake to procure a minimum of two bouts per year for the fighter.

(16) All contracts referred to in subregulations (7) and (14) shall not be valid until approved in writing by KICKBOXING SA, subject to any modifications thereof that may be required by KICKBOXING SA to ensure the proper control of kickboxing.

(17) A fighter and a manager or promoter, as the case may be, shall appear together before KICKBOXING SA for the signing by them of a contract and the approval by KICKBOXING SA of the contract.

(18) After each fight a manager must submit a detailed written statement to the fighter setting out -

- (a) the total purse money received from the promoter;
- (b) the amount payable to the manager; and
- (c) the amount payable to the fighter,

accompanied by the necessary supporting documentation.

(19)(a) At the end of each year, a manager shall prepare a consolidated financial statement of the matters referred to in subregulation (18) and furnish a copy thereof to the fighter and to KICKBOXING SA.

(b) The manager shall retain the statements contemplated in paragraph (a) for a period of at least three years.

(20) A manager's remuneration shall be determined through negotiation between the manager and the fighter.

(21) A manager (the "cedent") may cede a contract between him or her and a fighter to another manager (the "cessionary") provided that -

- (a) the cessionary is the holder of a valid manager's licence issued in terms of regulation 2;
- (b) the fighter concerned consents to such cession in writing;

- (c) the cedent is compensated for the cession by the cessionary, in an amount agreed between them in writing; and
- (d) KICKBOXING SA approves of such cession in writing.

(22) The provisions of subregulation (21) shall apply subject to the changes required by the context to a contract between a promoter and a fighter.

(23) Where a promoter wishes to engage a foreign fighter to participate in a tournament in the Republic, the promoter shall apply to KICKBOXING SA in writing for permission to do so at least 30 days prior to the tournament.

(24) The application contemplated in subregulation (23) shall be accompanied by a letter of clearance from the KICKBOXING SA control body in the country of origin of the foreign fighter and the authenticated fighting and medical records of the foreign fighter.

(25) A promoter shall ensure that a foreign fighter arrives in the Republic at least five days prior to the scheduled date of a tournament.

(26) KICKBOXING SA may commission a medical examination of a foreign fighter upon his or her arrival in the Republic, at the promoter's expense, prior to granting the foreign fighter clearance to fight in the Republic.

Authorisation for fighters to fight abroad

16. (1) Any fighter who wishes to fight abroad shall, either personally or through his or her agent or manager, apply in writing to KICKBOXING SA, at least 30 days prior to his or her proposed departure from the Republic, for authorization to do so.

(2) An application contemplated in subregulation (1) shall contain the following information:

- (a) details of the overseas tournament;
- (b) details of the opponent;
- (c) authenticated fighting records of the opponent;
- (d) a copy of the contract and details of the purse monies to be paid to the fighter; and
- (e) confirmation that the fighter will be accompanied by his or her manager or agent, or that appropriate arrangements have been made for the fighter to be accompanied while abroad by a person who is duly licensed with the kickboxing control body of the country in which the fighter will fight abroad.

(3) If an opponent is substituted at any stage, the authorization granted by KICKBOXING SA shall be rendered null and void, and in such event, the applicant shall submit the details contemplated in subregulation (2) of the substituted opponent and obtain authorization from KICKBOXING SA for that new bout.

(4) KICKBOXING SA may request-

- (a) a fighter, prior to his or her departure abroad, to submit himself or herself to a medical examination, at his or her expense, by a medical practitioner appointed by KICKBOXING SA; and
 - (b) a fighter, upon his or her return to the Republic, to submit himself or herself to a medical examination, at his or her expense, by a medical practitioner appointed by KICKBOXING SA.
- (5) A fighter shall ensure that a form similar to Annexure K is duly completed by the attending ringside physician at the tournament abroad and that it is filed with KICKBOXING SA by the fighter on his or her return to the Republic.

Title bouts, challenges and conditions

17. (1) A challenger for a provincial or South African title, as the case may be, shall submit his or her challenge to KICKBOXING SA on a form similar to Annexure J.

(2) For the challenge to be eligible to be considered by KICKBOXING SA, a challenger must confirm that his or her last three consecutive fights were in the same weight division for which he or she has submitted a challenge.

(3)(a) A national title holder may defend his or her title at least once every four months against any of the top five rated contenders as compiled by KICKBOXING SA's ratings committee, but shall be obliged to defend his or her title against the official challenger designated by KICKBOXING SA within three months of being called upon to do so by KICKBOXING SA or within three months after the last voluntary defence, whichever is the later: Provided that should a title holder be unable to obtain satisfactory terms from a promoter whom he or she has selected, he or she shall defend his or her title in any manner that KICKBOXING SA may deem fit: Provided further that should a title holder fail, refuse or neglect so to defend his or her title, KICKBOXING SA may order that he or she defend his or her title without payment in a gymnasium or other suitable venue chosen by KICKBOXING SA, and should he or she still fail, refuse or neglect so to defend his or her title, KICKBOXING SA may declare the title vacant.

(b) The official challenger for a national title shall be rated as one of the top five challengers on KICKBOXING SA's ratings list.

(c) Should a challenger contemplated in paragraph (b) not be available for whatever reason, the opportunity of being the official challenger shall pass to the next highest rated fighter on KICKBOXING SA's ratings list.

(4)(a) No fighter may at the same time hold two national or provincial titles in different weight categories.

(b) A fighter, on winning a second title, shall within 14 days of doing so notify KICKBOXING SA in writing which title he or she wishes to retain and the other title shall then automatically become vacant.

- (c) Should a fighter fail to notify KICKBOXING SA as contemplated in paragraph (b), KICKBOXING SA shall, with regard to the circumstances and facts of the case, determine which title shall be vacated.
- (5)(a) In the event of a national champion becoming a world champion, whether in the same or different weight category, or whether under an organization not recognized by KICKBOXING SA, the latter shall declare the champion's national title vacant.
- (b) If a fighter loses a world championship contemplated in paragraph (a), he or she shall be entitled to claim recognition as the first contender for the national title or titles which KICKBOXING SA declared vacant under this subregulation.
- (6) In the event of a provincial champion winning a national championship, his or her provincial title shall automatically become vacant.
- (7) A national or provincial champion shall forfeit his or her title in the following circumstances:
 - (a) If he or she is defeated in a championship contest sanctioned by KICKBOXING SA and at the same weight at which the fighter won that title;
 - (b) at the discretion of KICKBOXING SA, if he or she is convicted of any criminal offence while the fighter is the holder of a title;
 - (c) if he or she is found guilty of misconduct as a fighter;
 - (d) if he or she refuses to defend that title after receipt of a challenge approved, and a date given for such title contest, by KICKBOXING SA;
 - (e) if he or she is for any reason unable or unwilling to defend that title when required to do so by KICKBOXING SA;
 - (f) if he or she for any reason ceases to be registered as a fighter in terms of regulation 2; or
 - (g) if he or she fails to achieve the specified weight at the weigh-in for the championship contest as contemplated in regulation 23(4)(d).
- (8) A contestant for a national or provincial title shall -
 - (a) be registered as a fighter in terms of regulation 2;
 - (b) be a South African citizen; and
 - (c) be permanently resident in the Republic for a continuous period of not less than five years immediately preceding the championship contest.
- (9) No rematch shall be stipulated in any KICKBOXING SA contract, nor be made a condition of any fight, whether for a title or otherwise.
- (10) Subject to the provisions of subregulation (11), a fighter shall not without the prior written permission of KICKBOXING SA be permitted to take part in a subsequent bout-

- (a) within 14 days after a bout that lasted less than six rounds in kickboxing and three rounds in a thaiboxing or muaythai;
- (b) within 21 days after a bout that lasted between six and 10 rounds in a kickboxing and four and five rounds in a thaiboxing or muaythai; or
- (c) for 30 days after a bout that lasted more than 10 rounds in respect of kickboxing.

(11) A fighter shall not take part in more than six bouts in a year, except with the prior written permission of KICKBOXING SA.

(12) Where promoters make disputed claims to stage a title fight and KICKBOXING SA is of the view that the good name and reputation of KICKBOXING SA could be prejudiced by such dispute or by the delay occasioned thereby in staging that particular title fight, KICKBOXING SA may call for purse bids to be submitted to it by promoters and offer the opportunity to stage that particular title fight to the highest bidder upon the terms and conditions that KICKBOXING SA may determine.

(13) The procedure to be followed during the purse bid process contemplated in subregulation (12) shall be determined by KICKBOXING SA.

Training

18. (1) Only fighters who are registered as such in terms of regulation 2 shall spar against each other and a male fighter shall not be permitted to spar against a female fighter.

(2) Fighters shall use headguards during a sparring practice.

(3) During a sparring practice fighters shall use only closed-cell foam boxing gloves weighing 340,5g (12 ounces).

(4) No fighter shall be trained by any person other than a trainer who is registered as such in terms of regulation 2 and no fighter shall authorize, permit or suffer any person who is not so registered to act, whether for reward or not, as his or her trainer or second.

(5) A female fighter who is pregnant must not be permitted to engage in any contact training.

Duration of bouts

19. (1) For each bout the number of rounds shall be agreed by the promoter and the fighters, subject to the approval of KICKBOXING SA, and, save as otherwise determined in this regulation, no fight may exceed 12 rounds in respect of KICKBOXING fight and a round shall not exceed two minutes in duration, including a fight between female fighters in thaiboxing and muaythai a round shall not exceed two minutes.

(2)(a) National championship bouts shall consist of 10 rounds of two minutes each in kickboxing for male fighters and 8 rounds of two minutes each for female fighters:

Provided that in thaiboxing and muaythai a non-title and title fight bout shall consist five rounds of three minutes for male fighters and five rounds of two minutes for female fighters.

- (b) Provincial championship bouts shall consist of 10 rounds of two minutes each for male fighters in KICKBOXING and 8 rounds of two minutes each for female fighters.
- (c) International championship bouts shall consist of as many rounds as KICKBOXING SA may formally approve in consultation with the international KICKBOXING body concerned.

(3) An interval of one minute shall be permitted between rounds for both male and female fighters, during which time a fighter may not leave the ring.

(4) The time taken up as a result of stoppages ordered by the referee in the course of a round shall not count as part of the duration of the round.

Ring

20. (1) All KICKBOXING SA matches at a tournament shall be decided in a square area termed the ring, the sides of which shall be not less than 4,88 m and not more than 6,01 m.

- (2)(a) The floor of the ring shall be not more than 1,22 m above the floor surface of the venue where the tournament is taking place.
- (b) In addition to a set of suitable steps installed in each fighter's corner, a third set of suitable steps shall be installed in a neutral corner for the exclusive use of the ringside physician, referee, ring announcer, round card bearers and other persons that the supervisory official may approve.
- (3)(a) At each corner and at least 46,2 cm outside the floor of the ring a corner post, properly secured and padded with suitable material throughout, shall be provided.
- (b) The corner posts in the two opposite corners of the ring which are used by the two fighters, shall be painted red and blue respectively, while the remaining two corner posts, which indicate the neutral corners, shall be painted white.
- (c) The material used for padding the corner posts of the ring shall be of the same colour as the respective corner posts.
- (4)(a) The ring shall be enclosed by means of four ropes, each of which shall be not be less than 2,5 cm in diameter and shall be wrapped in soft material.
- (b) The bottom rope shall be 45 cm, the second rope 75 cm, the third rope 105 cm and the fourth rope 125 cm above the ring floor.
- (c) The ropes shall be spaced by a cord of soft material at each corner and in the middle at equal distances from each corner in order that the ropes cannot be separated further apart at the middle than they can be at the corners.

- (5)(a) The floor of the ring shall extend not less than 70 cm beyond the ropes and the entire floor of the ring shall be padded with a 1 cm layer of high-density closed-cell foam or chip foam applied over a 2,5 cm base of building board mounted on a properly stressed frame.
- (b) The covering contemplated in paragraph (a) shall overlap the edge of the floor by at least 5 cm and shall be covered with canvas, duck or similar material, tightly stretched and held securely in place by lacing under the floor.
- (c) The corners of the ring shall be padded with impact-absorbing material extending from the bottom to the top rope and measuring not less than 10 cm square.

(6) No person other than the referee, the physician, the announcer, the ringmaster, round card bearers, the supervisory official, the participating fighters and their seconds shall, except with the express permission of the supervisory official, climb into the ring during a tournament.

(7) At the conclusion of a bout it shall be the responsibility of the promoter to ensure that no person shall be allowed to enter the ring with the exception of the persons referred to in subregulation (6) until such time as the ringside doctor has completed an initial examination of both fighters.

Accessories and facilities at tournaments

21. (1) The promoter of a tournament shall -
- (a) provide a sufficient number of chairs, small tables, buckets, bottles, spittoons, sponges, boxing gloves, surgical gloves (for use by the ringside physician, referee and seconds), a sufficient quantity of powdered resin and clean water and shall make facilities available for the announcement of rounds by means of square-shaped cards, numbered on both sides, which shall be visible throughout the venue where the tournament is taking place;
 - (b) make suitable arrangements for announcements;
 - (c) provide a medical room at the tournament venue and ensure that the following emergency equipment is available at the tournament venue for the entire duration of the tournament:
 - (i) A portable resuscitator and an airway;
 - (ii) a stretcher; and
 - (iii) an ambulance, which shall at all times have unobstructed ingress and egress to and from the tournament venue;
 - (d) provide a special private room at the tournament venue for the exclusive use of the officials, and no other person shall be allowed to enter such room save with the permission of the supervisory official;

- (e) provide dressing rooms for the fighters, and no one shall be allowed to enter the fighters' dressing rooms except the managers, seconds, KICKBOXING SA's representatives and the promoter's representatives; and
 - (f) be responsible for controlling entry to the fighters' dressing rooms.
- (2) The medical room contemplated in subregulation (1)(c) shall -
- (a) be adequately lit and ventilated;
 - (b) have an examination table;
 - (c) have running water;
 - (d) be situated in close proximity to the fighters' dressing rooms; and
 - (e) be readily accessible from the ring.
- (3) The suitability of the proposed venue for the staging of a tournament shall be approved by KICKBOXING SA prior to the sanctioning of the tournament.
- (4) Once a tournament has been sanctioned, the tournament venue may not be changed without the prior written approval of KICKBOXING SA.
- (5) KICKBOXING SA shall provide scorecards for use by the judges, as well as a gong or electric bell for use by the timekeeper.

Boxing gloves and bandages

22. (1) A fighter -
- (a) shall use new boxing gloves for the main bout of a tournament and for each championship title fight: Provided that gloves that have been used before may be used for a preliminary bout if they are undamaged, clean, in a sanitary condition and are approved by the referee or supervisory official prior to the bout;
 - (b) shall use only boxing gloves containing closed-cell foam, the outer surface of which is made of leather, and the thumb of which is attached, in a bout;
 - (c) shall use boxing gloves of a weight of 170,25 g (8 ounces) for a bout in any weight category of bantamweight or thereunder;
 - (d) shall use boxing gloves of a weight of 277 g (8 ounces) for a bout in any weight category above bantamweight up to and including welterweight;
 - (e) shall use boxing gloves of a weight of 283,75 g (10 ounces) for a bout in any weight category above welterweight;
 - (f) shall use, in respect of a female contest in any weight category, boxing gloves of a weight of 283,75 g (10 ounces);

- (g) shall not use boxing gloves from two different manufacturers at the same time; and
 - (h) shall use the same type of boxing gloves as his or her opponent, as approved by KICKBOXING SA.
- (2)(a) On each hand a fighter may use a bandage of soft material, not more than 5 cm in width and 10 m in length, which shall be held in position by surgical adhesive tape that is not more than 2,5 cm wide and not longer than the width of the bandage.
- (b) The adhesive tape contemplated in paragraph (a) shall not be used closer than 1 cm from the knuckle area of a fighter's hand, and 0,5 cm strips of adhesive tape shall be used between the knuckles to hold the bandages in place.
- (3) The boxing gloves and bandages on both hands of a fighter shall be examined by an official designated by KICKBOXING SA and, in the case of a title bout, also by the referee, to ensure that the requirements of this regulation are being complied with, and such official or referee or official and referee, as the case may be, shall supervise the putting on of the gloves and bandages by the seconds.
- (4) A fighter may put on his or her gloves in the dressing room or the ring, but in both cases must be supervised by an official designated by KICKBOXING SA and by a representative of the camp of the fighter's opponent.
- (5) The promoter of a tournament shall be responsible for supplying the gloves for the tournament and shall ensure that they comply with the requirements of subregulation (1) and that he or she has a sufficient reserve of gloves should any gloves be damaged and need to be replaced during a bout.

Fighters' costume, condition and weigh-in

23. (1)(a) A fighter fighting in KICKBOXING shall wear foot padding, shinpads and long pantsloose-fitting trunk drawers approved by KICKBOXING SA and in thaiboxing or muaythai loose-fitting trunk and a short sleeves T-shirt in the case of a female fighter, and each fighter's trunks shall be distinguishable from those of his or her opponent's trunks in that each fighter must have a pair of trunks of contrasting colour to that of his or her opponent.
- (b) All fighters shall have available at the tournament two pairs of kickboxing trunks of different colours and shall wear those determined by the supervisory official.
 - (c) In case of a dispute regarding the clash of colour of kickboxing trunks, the supervisory official's decision shall be final.
 - (d) Kickboxing trunks shall be secured at the hips of the fighter, but no metal or other buckles or straps shall be worn, and the bottom hems of the trunks shall reach to at least halfway between the groin and the knees.
 - (e) A fighter shall not wear tightfitting trunks during a bout.

- (f) A male fighter shall wear a genital shield that is approved by KICKBOXING SA, and that shall be adjusted to the satisfaction of the referee immediately prior to the commencement of the bout.
 - (g) A fighter shall wear a properly fitting mouth-piece, but no earguards or any other protection, other than that stipulated in these Regulations, shall be permitted.
 - (h) A fighter shall have his or her hair secured in a manner that will not interfere with the vision or safety of either contestant, provided that he or she shall be prohibited from using hair nets, barrettes and hair pins to secure his or her hair, save for the use of rubber bands or other soft banding devices.
 - (i) A fighter's face and the upper part of the body shall not be oily or wet, but a moderate amount of clear grease or petroleum jelly may be applied to his or her face in the discretion of the referee.
 - (j) A male fighter shall be clean-shaven, present a tidy appearance and have his hair cut to the satisfaction of the weighing-in officials.
 - (k) A fighter shall make minimum use of cosmetic make-up during a bout.
 - (l) A fighter shall not wear any jewellery during a bout.
 - (m) A fighter may not wear body paint during a bout and nor may a fighter display any other form of advertising on his or her person or apparel save for such advertising on his or her trunks as has been approved by the promoter of the tournament and by KICKBOXING SA.
 - (n) A fighter who is, in the opinion of the referee, under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any other narcotic substance shall not be permitted to participate in a bout.
- (2)(a) Subject to paragraph (d), every fighter shall, when weighing-in, be examined by a registered medical practitioner appointed by KICKBOXING SA and, if he or she is found to be physically fit to fight, he or she shall be certified as such by that medical practitioner.
- (b) In the case of a female fighter, the examination contemplated in paragraph (a) shall include a breast and pelvic examination, and the medical practitioner contemplated in paragraph (a) may request a female fighter to have a mammogram taken.
 - (c) A medical practitioner shall record the findings of his or her examination on a form similar to Annexure K: Provided that the "After Contest Recommendations" column shall be completed only after the bout.
 - (d) Female fighters must be examined at least seven days prior to the fight owing to the higher risk of them being declared medically unfit to fight.
 - (e) At a medical examination contemplated in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) a fighter shall disclose to the medical practitioner any medical complaint or illness that he or she has suffered since his or her last bout.

- (f) A medical practitioner conducting a medical examination may request a fighter to undergo an appropriate medical test to confirm his or her gender if the medical practitioner has any doubt regarding the fighter's gender.
- (g) A female fighter must undergo a pregnancy test by the medical practitioner conducting the medical examination who must issue a certificate that she is not pregnant.
- (h) A female fighter may also prove that she is not pregnant by other means that may be acceptable to the medical practitioner conducting the medical examination.
- (i) If a female fighter has complied with paragraph (g) or (h), KICKBOXING SA and all its members and officials shall not be liable for any claims for damages relating to or arising from such a pregnancy test.
- (j) The fighting gear for female fighters shall, apart from other requirements referred to in these regulations, consist of the following, which must be approved by Kickboxing SA:
 - (i) An underbelt; and
 - (ii) breast protectors which must fit the female fighter comfortably according to her breast size but may not cover the part of the body below the breasts and above the navel.
- (k) For purposes of safety, a female fighter with breast implants shall be prohibited from participating in a tournament.
- (l) In the event of a female fighter becoming pregnant after winning a championship title, her title shall be declared vacant and be dealt with in terms of regulation 17(4), (5), (6) and (7).
- (m) Male and female fighters must have separate rooms for changing, medical examination and weigh-in purposes.
- (n) A fighter shall not be declared physically fit to fight if -
 - (i) he or she has an active infection;
 - (iii) he or she has hand fractures that have not healed;
 - (iii) if he or she has facial lacerations that have not healed to the satisfaction of the medical practitioner conducting the medical examination;
 - (iv) he or she shows signs of dehydration;
 - (v) she is pregnant; or
 - (vi) he or she has any other indisposition that in the opinion of the medical practitioner conducting the medical examination may affect his or her ability to fight or which may pose a risk to his or her medical safety or that of his or her opponent.

(3) In the event of a national title fight, KICKBOXING SA shall ensure that the rules of the fight are discussed and explained to both fighters on the day of the official weigh-in.

(4)(a) Fighters participating in an international fight or a South African or provincial title fight must be weighed and examined by a medical practitioner five days prior to the fight at a time determined by KICKBOXING SA.

(b) If at the pre-fight a fighter is more than five percent overweight for the weight category in which he or she has contracted to compete, that fighter shall be required to implement such programme and attend such number of weigh-ins as KICKBOXING SA may prescribe in the period prior to the official weigh-in, in order to monitor the effort being made by the fighter to ensure that his or her weight is within the prescribed weight margin: Provided that during this period, the promoter and the fighters may, with the consent of KICKBOXING SA, agree to a catchweight bout in terms of paragraph (4)(l).

(c) The standard weights for the different weight categories shall be as follows:

Weight Category	Weight Margin
Minimum Weight Division	47,63 kg (108 lb) And not less than 45 kg
Junior Flyweight	48,99 kg (108 lb) and under
Flyweight	50,80 kg (112 lb) and under
Junior Bantamweight	52,16 kg (115 lb) and under
Bantamweight	53,52 kg (118 lb) and under
Junior Featherweight	55,34 kg (122 lb) and under
Featherweight	57,15 kg (126 lb) and under
Junior Lightweight	58,97 kg (130 lb) and under
Lightweight	61,24 kg (135 lb) and under
Junior Welterweight	63,50 kg (140 lb) and under
Welterweight	66,68 kg (147 lb) and under
Junior Middleweight	69,85 kg (154 lb) and under
Middleweight	72,58 kg (160 lb) and under
Super Middleweight	76,20 kg (168 lb) and under
Light Heavyweight	79,38 kg (175 lb) and under
Junior Heavyweight	86,15 kg (190 lb) and under
Heavyweight	more than 86,15 kg (190 lb)

(d) All fighters shall officially weigh-in at least 24 hours before a bout unless the fighters agree to another time, with the approval of KICKBOXING SA: Provided that the scale to be used during the official weigh-in shall be made available to both fighters for use at least two hours prior to the weigh-in time determined by KICKBOXING SA.

(e) Female officials must attend to the weigh-in of female fighters.

(f) All fighters shall report to the representative of KICKBOXING SA in charge of the dressing rooms at least one hour before the scheduled time of the first bout.

- (g) If at the official weigh-in a fighter, referred to in paragraph (a), still exceeds the weight category in which he or she competes, that fighter shall be allowed two hours from the weigh-in time fixed or agreed to in order to reach the weight margin and if a fighter in a preliminary fight exceeds the weight margin concerned, he or she shall be allowed one hour from the weigh-in time fixed or agreed to in order to reach the weight margin: Provided that if after the requisite period of time the fighter has still not reached the weight margin no further weigh-in shall be allowed.
- (h) If a fighter is still overweight after utilization of the time referred to in paragraph (g) above, and in the event of there being a championship title at stake and the title holder exceeds the weight margin, he or she shall forfeit the title, in which case the title shall be deemed to be vacant: Provided that in the case of a championship title fight -
 - (i) the champion shall forfeit his or her title if he or she is not able to comply with the prescribed weight margin, while the challenger shall be declared the champion if he or she is within the weight margin and beats the former champion under such circumstances, on the condition that if the challenger is also not able to comply with the prescribed weight margin, no title shall be at stake;
 - (ii) the title shall be declared vacant although a former champion who has forfeited his or her title in the circumstances referred to in subparagraph (i) should win the fight; and
 - (iii) a champion who has reached the prescribed weight margin shall retain his or her title irrespective of whether he or she wins or loses against a challenger who has not been able to reach the prescribed weight margin.
- (i) KICKBOXING SA shall to the best of its ability ensure that the mismatching of fighters in a bout does not take place.
- (j) In non-championship bouts differences in weights between contestants may be permitted with the prior approval of the contestants and KICKBOXING SA.
- (k) A fighter or his or her manager must, if directed to do so by a member of KICKBOXING SA or the official in charge of the weigh-in, produce to that member or official a duly signed fighter and promoter contract for the fight.
- (l) When the term "catchweight" is used in a contract between the fighters and a promoter for a fight and such bout is accepted by KICKBOXING SA, such bout shall be allowed to proceed in terms of the actual weight of the fighters: Provided that a catchweight fight may not be allowed to proceed unless the weight difference between the fighters is as follows:
 - (i) If the lighter fighter weighs less than 57,15 kg, the weight difference may not be more than 2,5 kg;
 - (ii) if both fighters weigh between 61,2 kg and 72,57 kg, the weight difference between the fighters may not be more than 5 kg;

- (iii) if both fighters weigh between 72,58 kg and 79,38 kg, the weight difference between the fighters may not be more than 5,5 kg.

Medical practitioners and representative of South African Institute for Drug-Free Sport at tournaments

24. (1)(a) At every tournament a medical practitioner shall be appointed by the promoter and be approved by KICKBOXING SA, to be referred to as “the ringside physician”, and he or she shall have at his or her disposal two qualified first aid attendants or paramedics and emergency equipment referred to in regulation 21(1)(c).
- (b) The ringside physician shall have completed a course on all aspects of KICKBOXING SA injuries, as approved by KICKBOXING SA.
 - (c) The ringside physician must be accredited by KICKBOXING SA.
 - (d) The ringside physician shall at all times during a tournament sit close to the ring in such a manner that his or her access to the ring is unhindered.
 - (e) No bout shall proceed unless-
 - (i) the ringside physician is in his or her position as contemplated in paragraph (d);
 - (ii) the first-aid attendants or paramedics contemplated in paragraph (a) are in attendance; and
 - (iii) the emergency equipment referred to in regulation 21(1)(c) is available.
 - (f) The ringside physician shall not leave the ringside until the decision on the final bout of the tournament has been announced save for attending to an emergency as contemplated in subregulation 5(a).
 - (g) The ringside physician shall render medical assistance to the injured contestants, offer emergency treatment for cuts and attend to any other medical needs of the contestants.
 - (h) When a contestant is knocked out, none of his or her seconds may touch the contestant until the ringside physician has attended to the contestant and issued appropriate instructions to the seconds.
- (2) The ringside physician shall, at the request of the referee, examine a fighter between rounds or at any other time.
- (3) In the event of any physical injury to a contestant at a tournament, the ringside physician shall -
- (a) immediately apply the required emergency treatment; and
 - (b) recommend further treatment in, or if necessary admission to, a hospital with neurosurgical facilities.

(4) Should a fighter be hospitalised or treated by his or her personal physician for an injury sustained in the ring, he or she or his or her manager shall forthwith submit to KICKBOXING SA a full written report from the medical practitioner who treated the fighter.

(5)(a) A fighter who has been knocked out, technically knocked out, sustained severe punishment or injured during a fight shall be examined by the ringside physician after the fight before he or she may leave the tournament venue.

(b) The ringside physician shall in the "After Contest Recommendations" column on a form similar to Annexure K make an appropriate recommendation regarding the suspension of a fighter contemplated in paragraph (a) and the need for any special medical examination.

(6) The ringside physician shall at the end of each tournament submit a written report to the supervisory official setting forth details of all medical treatment administered by him or her to contestants during or after the tournament, and any other relevant medical information which he or she may deem necessary to include in such report.

Officials and their duties

25. (1) At any fight the following officials, appointed by KICKBOXING SA, shall officiate:

- (a) A referee;
- (b) three judges;
- (c) a timekeeper;
- (d) an announcer;
- (e) a ringmaster; and
- (f) a supervisory official.

(2) In an international or world title bout, the officials referred to in subregulation (1) may, by agreement, be appointed jointly by KICKBOXING SA and the relevant international kickboxing authority.

(3) No official referred to in subregulation (1) shall have any direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the bout.

Appointment and compensation of ring officials

26. (1) Subject to regulation 25(2), all ring officials for a tournament shall be appointed by KICKBOXING SA.

(2) The number of ring officials required to be in attendance at any tournament shall be determined by KICKBOXING SA.

(3) The compensation due to an official shall be determined by KICKBOXING SA and shall be paid in full by the promoter through the office of KICKBOXING SA.

Referee

27. (1) The referee shall be the chief official during a bout and he or she shall take up his or her position in the ring and exercise general supervision over the bout.

(2) The referee must wear surgical gloves, as approved by KICKBOXING SA, at all times during a bout and shall carry a small clean towel to wipe off the boxer's gloves after a knock-down or slip to the floor.

(3) Only the referee may inform the announcer of the decision of the outcome of the bout to be announced.

(4) During a fight, whether in the course of a round or during an interval between rounds, a referee shall not converse with any person in the audience, and he or she may not criticize in public any decision given by the judges.

(5) A referee may not exhibit to or discuss with the public the scorecards handed to him or her, but in the case of a world title fight or an elimination fight for a world title or in the case of any other bout if so directed by KICKBOXING SA, the points allocated for the fight as a whole by the individual judges, and by the referee if he or she keeps a scorecard, shall, subject to subregulation (4), be announced by the announcer to the public from the ring immediately after the bout.

(6) The referee shall -

(a) prior to the start of a bout -

- (i) establish that each fighter's seconds are duly registered as such with KICKBOXING SA and if they are not, he or she shall request them to leave the fighter's corner;
- (ii) ascertain the name of each fighter's chief second and inform them that he or she holds them responsible for the conduct of their assistants during the bout and for the proper tying on of the gloves; and
- (iii) ensure that the provisions of regulations 22 and 23(1) have been duly complied with;

(b) during the bout -

- (i) whenever necessary, by issuing the command "stop!", order a cessation of kickboxing during a round and, thereafter, by the command "fight!" order a resumption of fighting, and he or she shall ensure that during each stoppage the fighter or fighters remain standing in the ring without any support whatsoever;

- (ii) with the command "break!", order the fighters to separate when in a clinch and, at his or her discretion, separate them himself or herself should they fail to obey promptly, but the referee shall not tap the gloves or arms of the fighters while they are in a clinch;
- (iii) accept a fighter's acknowledgement of defeat if he or she is unable to resume fighting at the timekeeper's signal or turns his or her back on his or her opponent during the bout or signals in some other manner to the referee that he or she does not wish to continue with the bout;
- (iv) stop the bout if he or she considers it to be one-sided even though a fighter has not at that stage sustained excessive punishment, and award the fight to the best fighter;
- (v) stop the fight if a fighter is accidentally disabled and declares the fight as a technical draw as contemplated in sub regulation (9) and (10) or if a fighter unable to defend himself or herself and award the fight to his or her opponent;
- (vi) if a fighter goes down, order the opponent to retire to the furthest neutral corner, by pointing to that corner, and while leaning over the fighter who is down, he or she shall start counting each second audibly up to nine and indicate the tenth second as well as the end of the fight with the word "out", and award the fight to the opponent if by that time the fighter who is down has not arisen: Provided that should a fighter go down as a result of a blow and gets up, the referee shall give him a mandatory count of eight before ordering the fighter to continue fighting, and -
 - (aa) a fighter who was down may not resume fighting until the referee has finished counting eight;
 - (bb) a fighter may take the count either on the ring floor or standing; and
 - (cc) if a fighter rises during the count, the referee must satisfy himself or herself that the fighter is in a position to defend himself or herself before ordering the contestants to "fight";
- (vii) should a fighter go down and claim that he or she has been hit below the belt by a blow that the referee did not see, shall count up to ten but shall not pronounce the word "out", upon which he or she shall consult the judges and thereafter give his or her decision;
- (viii) stop the fight when a fighter goes down three times in the same round as a result of legal blows;
- (ix) should a fighter go down without being hit, or go down and remain down after having been hit and the referee is of the opinion that such

fighter is or remains down without just cause, count to ten, but shall not pronounce the word "out" and shall disqualify the fighter;

- (x) stop the fight and at his or her discretion either warn or disqualify a fighter if the fighter commits any of the acts constituting unlawful conduct and behaviour in terms of regulation 37, and in the event of a disqualification, award the decision in the favour of that fighter's opponent;
 - (xi) stop the fight if he or she is of the opinion that one or both of the fighters are not fighting to the best of their ability, in which case he or she shall disqualify one or both of the fighters;
 - (xii) where a fighter is knocked through the ropes and out of the ring, grant that fighter twenty seconds to re-enter the ring unassisted and if the fighter fails to do so declare that the loser by knockout;
 - (xiii) where a fighter is knocked down during any round and while the referee is counting the bell or gong indicates the end of the round, irrespective of which round it is, continue to count until he or she calls "out" or the fighter rises, whichever happens first;
 - (xiv) where the fighters go down at the same time, continue to count so long as one is still down: Provided that if both fighters remain down until the count equals "out", the referee shall stop the bout and declare it a draw;
 - (xv) stop the fight if a fighter's chief second throws the towel into the ring signifying the retirement of the fighter;
 - (xvi) before a fighter may resume fighting after having been knocked down, fallen down or slipped to the ring floor, wipe any accumulated resin from the fighter's gloves with a damp towel or the referee's shirt;
 - (xvii) if a fighter loses his or her mouth protector during the round, replace it as soon as there is a lull in the action;
 - (xviii) decide on the interpretation of any matter concerning the fight not expressly provided for in these regulations;
- (c) after the fight -
- (i) immediately hand the judges' scorecards to the supervisory official; and
 - (ii) in the case of a disqualification, report thereon in writing to KICKBOXING SA within 36 hours of such occurrence.

(7) Referees shall complete a course in the medical aspects of KICKBOXING SA, which course shall be run annually by KICKBOXING SA in consultation with KICKBOXING SA's medical affairs portfolio committee.

(8) A referee may consult with the judges before rendering a final decision.

(9) A referee may not leave the ring until the bout has been completed and the decision has been announced.

(10) Referees must comply with the code of ethics for referees and judges that may be prescribed by KICKBOXING SA from time to time.

(11) KICKBOXING SA shall ensure that a referee is subjected to a medical and fitness test on a regular basis, but at least once per annum.

(12) No licensee shall verbally or physically abuse a referee.

(13)(a) It shall be the duty of the supervisory official at a tournament to evaluate and grade each referee's performance in each bout over which he or she presides.

(b) The grade contemplated in paragraph (a) shall either be satisfactory or unsatisfactory and shall be determined by considering such factors as the referee's ability to exercise effective control over the bout, his or her knowledge and application of the rules and his or her due regard for the medical safety of the fighters.

(c) Where the supervisory official grades the referee as unsatisfactory he or she must give written reasons thereof.

(d) The grade and the accompanying reasons must be submitted to KICKBOXING SA after the bout.

(e) A supervisory official must not disclose or discuss his or her report with the referee or any other person.

(14)(a) If an unsatisfactory grading is submitted for a referee pursuant to subregulation (13), KICKBOXING SA shall notify the referee thereof in writing and shall furnish him or her with a copy of the supervisory official's report.

(b) KICKBOXING SA shall after complying with paragraph (a) hold a hearing to determine what steps should be taken against the referee.

(c) Pending the outcome of a hearing contemplated in paragraph (b), the referee may not officiate in another contest as referee.

(15) If a referee becomes incapacitated and is unable to finish refereeing a fight contest, the timekeeper shall stop the clock and the supervisory official shall appoint another referee to referee the contest. Provided that in such event the substitute referee shall continue the round from the time that the clock was stopped by the timekeeper.

Judges

28. (1) The judges shall be seated on three sides of the ring and the timekeeper on the fourth side.

(2) The judges and timekeeper may not leave their seats until the bout has been completed and the decision of the outcome of the bout has been announced.

(3) Every judge shall independently award points to the fighters and be ready at all times to assist when requested by the referee to decide whether a foul has been committed and they may at the end of a round bring any other matter to the attention of the referee.

(4) At the end of a bout lasting the scheduled number of rounds the judges shall hand their scorecards to the referee.

(5) Only official scorecards approved and supplied by KICKBOXING SA may be used by the judges.

(6) A judge shall not, while officiating, converse with any person in the audience, whether during the course of a round or during an interval between rounds.

(7) A judge shall not criticize in public any decision given by the referee or any other judge.

(8) Subject to regulation 27(5), scorecards must not be exhibited by any official to the public or discussed with the public during or after a fight.

(9) Judges shall comply with the code of ethics for referees and judges that may be prescribed by KICKBOXING SA from time to time.

(10) No licensee shall verbally or physically abuse a judge.

(11) The provisions of regulation 27(13), (14) and (15) shall apply subject to the changes required by the context, to a judge: Provided that in determining a judge's grade for a contest, the supervisory official shall consider whether his or her scoring of the contest is generally consistent with that of the other judges: Provided further that a judge shall be graded as unsatisfactory only if his or her scoring of the contest is grossly inconsistent with the scoring of the other judges.

Timekeeper

29. (1)(a) The timekeeper must be seated at the side of the ring close to the gong or bell, and he or she shall be provided with a suitable stopwatch that shall permit him or her to provide due allowance for stoppages ordered by the referee.

(b) The timekeeper's chair must be sufficiently high to give him or her a clear view of the ring.

(2) The timekeeper shall indicate the beginning and the end of each round by sounding the gong or bell and shall not sound the gong or bell to indicate the end of any round if a fighter is being counted out.

(3) Ten seconds before the beginning of a round, the timekeeper shall call out the words "seconds out!", and announce the number of the round, and after he or she has called out the words "last round", he or she shall add the command "shake hands".

(4) When a fighter is down, the timekeeper shall, by motioning his arm, give the referee the one second intervals for his count, provided that the referee's count shall be the official count.

(5) Ten seconds before the end of each round, the timekeeper shall give warning thereof to the referee and the contestants by means of a suitable signal.

(6) No licensee shall verbally or physically abuse a timekeeper.

(7) The provisions of regulation 27(13), (14) and (15) shall apply, subject to the changes required by the context, to a timekeeper.

Announcer

30. (1) The announcer shall before a bout starts announce from the inside of the ring and in a satisfactory manner, preferably by microphone, the names of the fighters and their records, their weights, the title at stake, if any, the number and duration of the rounds and the names of the referee, judges, timekeeper, supervisory official and ringside physician.

(2) The announcer shall after the bout announce the result of the fight as and when instructed thereto by the referee.

(3) At the request of the promoter or the referee and with the prior approval of the supervisory official, the announcer may make any other announcement.

(4) The announcer may not during a bout look at the judges' scorecards, nor divulge to any person any information that he or she may have gathered in connection therewith.

(5) The announcer shall perform his duties at a tournament subject to the direction and control of the supervisory official.

Ringmaster

31. The ringmaster shall-

- (a) be in control of the ring and all accessories, and shall ensure that the floor of the ring is kept properly resined and that a sufficient quantity of clean water is available;
- (b) be responsible for distributing the gloves and shall ensure that time is not wasted between or during fights as a result of unprepared on the part of the fighters; and
- (c) attend to any other related matters if requested thereto by the referee or supervisory official.

Second

32. (1) A second is a person who, seated or standing at the fighter's corner of the ring, assists or advises a fighter before a bout begins and during the intervals between rounds.

(2) Each fighter shall, unless otherwise agreed by KICKBOXING SA, be entitled to have not more than three seconds at his or her corner, and all three seconds shall be attired to the satisfaction of KICKBOXING SA.

(3) A chief second shall be nominated to the referee by each fighter prior to the start of a bout, and the said chief second alone may declare the retirement of his or her fighter from the bout by throwing a towel into the ring and by orally drawing the referee's attention thereto.

(4) During rounds a second shall not speak to his or her fighter or advise him or her nor shall he or she throw, squirt or spray water or anything else over his or her fighter's head or assist him or her in any other way, and with the exception of water, no other substance shall be administered to a fighter during an interval between rounds.

(5) Only one second of each fighter shall be allowed in the ring between rounds and on the timekeeper's command "seconds out!", he or she shall leave the ring immediately, removing all obstructions such as chairs, buckets, etc. therefrom, and none of those articles shall again be placed on the ring floor before the gong or bell has signaled the end of the round.

(6) Unless prior permission has been given by the supervisory official to carry other items, only the following items may be carried by seconds for use when working in a fighter's corner:

- (a) Clean white towels;
- (b) white petroleum jelly;
- (c) sterile cotton wool;
- (d) sterile gauze in small sealed packets;
- (e) swab sticks and ear buds;
- (f) a quantity of adrenalin made into a 1-1000 aqueous solution or such haemostatic as shall have been approved by KICKBOXING SA;
- (g) a pair of edged scissors;
- (h) an ice bag;
- (i) a roll of Elastoplast or other adhesive bandage of a smooth texture;
- (j) a quantity of soft bandage;
- (k) an eye iron known as an "endswell".
- (l) a transparent plastic water bottle; and
- (m) an extra mouthpiece.

(7) No stimulant (including, but not limited to smelling salts or ammonia) may be given to a fighter other than water sprinkled on the body or used as a mouth wash or drink.

(8) At the end of each interval, the seconds shall ensure that their fighter 's corner is dry and clear of all debris.

(9) No fighter shall use any substance for massage or any other purpose on any part of his or her body which may be harmful or act as an irritant to his or her opponent before or during the fight but the discretionary use of vaseline around the eyes or on the face shall be allowed, but the use of vaseline or any other oil or lubricant on the arms, legs or body is not permitted.

(10) The seconds must wear surgical gloves, as approved by KICKBOXING SA, at all times during a bout.

(11) During rounds a second shall not encroach upon or bang on the ring apron or in any other manner whatsoever distract the referee or the contestants or otherwise constitute a nuisance.

(12) During or after a bout a second may not shout at, abuse, obstruct, interfere or argue with the referee or any other official, or incite public dissatisfaction with the referee's or any other official's decision.

(13) If the referee orders a stoppage during a round, a second may not converse with his or her fighter or provide any assistance to his or her fighter, save as expressly permitted by the referee.

Supervisory official

33. (1) The supervisory official shall exercise overall control and supervision at a tournament and may take final decisions on all matters relating to the tournament, including but not limited to the stoppage of the tournament, save for the decision on the outcome of the bouts which shall be the prerogative of the referee and judges.

(2) Prior to the commencement of a tournament, the supervisory official shall-

- (a) convene a meeting of the security and medical personnel to ensure that the security and medical arrangements are adequate and to discuss contingency plans to deal with emergency situations;
- (b) convene a rules meeting to confirm that all participants and officials are familiar with the provisions of the Act and these Regulations; and
- (c) appoint suitably qualified persons as inspectors for the purpose of performing specified tasks at the tournament.

(3) The supervisory official may confirm the identity of any person claiming to be the holder of a certificate of registration and if the supervisory official is not satisfied with the credentials of a particular person, he or she may prohibit that person from participating in the tournament or order the removal of such person from the venue.

(4) The supervisory official shall compile a written report relating to the tournament, which shall include the decisions of all bouts, the punishment indices, the purse monies paid to the fighter, an assessment of the security and medical arrangements at the tournament and a performance evaluation of the officials.

(5) In the event of a duly appointed official not being able to officiate in a bout or being unable to continue officiating in a bout for whatever reason, the supervisory official shall appoint a substitute.

(6) The supervisory official shall within three days after the tournament forward to KICKBOXING SA his or her report contemplated in subregulation (4).

Points scoring

34. (1) At the end of each round of a fight 10 points shall be awarded to the fighter who has given the best performance and a proportionate number of points shall be awarded to his or her opponent, but if they tie, 10 points are awarded to each.

(2) Half points or other fractions shall not be used and the number of points scored by a fighter shall be recorded on his or her scorecard at the end of each round: Provided that the points awarded for defence shall not outweigh those awarded for attack.

(3) Points shall be awarded for -

(a) attack, consisting of direct, clean blows with the knuckle side of the clenched glove and kicks on any part of the front or the sides of the head or body above the belt in kickboxing, in this regulation referred to as the "the target area", and also for effective aggression; and

(b) defence, consisting of guarding, slipping, ducking, blocking and in general, cleverly evading blows and for countering and-

(i) in thaiboxing include the low kicks and the knee but not to the groin;

(ii) in muaythai it includes all thaiboxing techniques including the elbows.

(4) Points shall not be awarded for -

(a) tapping;

(b) blows off the target area;

(c) blows on the arms; or

(d) blows which are not delivered with the knuckle part of the glove.

(5) Points shall be deducted for unlawful conduct that is not serious enough in the sole opinion of the referee to warrant disqualification, in which case he or she shall instruct the judges as to how many points should be deducted.

Decision

35. (1) At the conclusion of a bout that lasts the full scheduled number of rounds, the winner shall be determined by a majority decision of the three judges taking into account the total

points awarded by a judge in respect of all the rounds, and not by the greater number of rounds won by one of the fighters.

(2) When the majority decision has been ascertained in a bout that has lasted the scheduled number of rounds, the referee shall authorize the announcer to announce the result.

(3) The result of a bout that lasts the full number of scheduled rounds shall be announced as a draw if-

(a) the three judges each declare it a draw;

(b) one of the judges declares it a draw, the second judge awards it to one of the fighters and the third judge awards it to the other fighter.

(4) In a championship fight for a vacant title, each judge shall nominate a winner and the winner of the bout shall be the fighter nominated as the winner by the majority vote of the judges.

(5) In the event of a draw in a championship fight for the defence of a title, the title holder shall retain his or her title.

(6) In cases where the fight does not go the full number of rounds scheduled, only the referee shall render the decision and that decision shall be final.

(7) If a fighter commits any of the acts set out in regulation 37, the referee may, except where the injury is a cut, allow the injured fighter a period not exceeding five minutes to recover. If the injured fighter refuses or is unwilling to continue to fight on the instruction of the referee, after the said period of recovery has elapsed, the referee may award the fight to his or her opponent.

(8) If the referee is of the opinion that the act contemplated in subregulation (7) constituted deliberate unlawful conduct by the fighter, the referee shall, if he or she is of the opinion that the injured fighter is unable to continue fighting as a result of such injury, disqualify the other fighter and award the fight to the injured fighter.

(9) In the event of deliberate unlawful conduct contemplated in subregulation (7), the referee must, if he or she is of the opinion that the injured fighter can continue fighting, notify the judges and the supervisory official that the injury was the result of deliberate unlawful conduct and, if the unlawful conduct in question caused a cut to the injured fighter, the referee shall deduct two points from the injured fighter's opponent.

(10) If during a contest the fight is stopped as a result of deliberate unlawful conduct contemplated in subregulation (9), the referee must, in consultation with the supervisory official, disqualify the fighter guilty of such deliberate unlawful conduct and declare the injured fighter as the winner by a technical decision.

(11) In the event of accidental unlawful conduct contemplated in subregulation (7), the referee shall, if he or she is of the opinion that the injured fighter can continue fighting, notify the judges and the supervisory official that the injury was the result of accidental unlawful conduct.

(12) If during a contest the fight is stopped because of a head butt contemplated in subregulation (11), the following action shall be taken by the supervisory official-

- (a) If four rounds have not been completed, a technical draw shall be declared;
- (b) if four or more rounds have been completed, then the fighter who has scored more points on the judges' scorecards will be declared the winner by a technical decision, provided that if the points are equal, a technical draw shall be declared.

(13) For the purposes subregulations (9) and (11), the judges shall also score any partially completed round.

(14) In the event of accidental unlawful conduct contemplated in subregulation (12), the referee shall, if the injured fighter refuses or is unwilling to continue fighting on the instruction of the referee and the referee is of the opinion that the injured fighter is able to continue fighting, disqualify the injured fighter and award the fight to his or her opponent.

(15) If a cut is caused by a legal blow and in the opinion of the referee the injured fighter cannot continue, the injured fighter shall lose the bout by a technical knockout.

(16) If a blow is delivered at the same time the bell or the gong is sounded, it must be considered as a legal blow and consequently the referee shall act according to the rules and count the fighter if he or she goes down as a result of such blow: Provided that the subsequent rest period of one minute shall not be reduced.

(17) If a blow is delivered accidentally or deliberately after the bell or the gong is sounded, the provisions of subregulations (8), (9), (10), (11) or (12), as the case may be, shall be applicable.

(18) If during the interval a fighter decides to retire and not continue with the fight, the referee shall declare his or her opponent the winner by a technical knockout in the following round.

(19) In the event that a bout which is already underway cannot, in the discretion of the referee, be proceeded with due to reasons unrelated to the action taking place in the ring, the bout shall be stopped and ruled a technical draw:

- (a) if less than four rounds have been completed;
(kickboxing bout)
And if less than three rounds thaiboxing/ muaythai

or

- (b) if more than three rounds in thaiboxing/ muaythai and or four rounds have been completed in kickboxing bout, the fighter who is ahead on points on the judges' scorecards at the time when the bout is stopped shall be declared the winner.

(20) A decision rendered at the termination of a fight may not be changed save in the following circumstances:

- (a) If KICKBOXING SA at any time following the announcement of a decision determines that there was collusion between the officials affecting the result of the fight; or
- (b) if KICKBOXING SA determines that in the compilation of the judges' score cards there was a calculation error which resulted in the wrong decision having been given,

then such decision shall be changed as KICKBOXING SA may direct.

Punishment Index

36. (1) A punishment index as set out in Annexure L shall be completed in respect of each bout by the supervisory official and shall be signed by him or her.

(2) The supervisory official shall submit all the punishment indices to KICKBOXING SA immediately after a tournament and those indices shall be retained by KICKBOXING SA as part of its permanent records.

Unlawful conduct and behaviour by fighter

37. The following acts shall constitute unlawful conduct and behaviour by a fighter:

- (a) A blow below the belt;
- (b) hitting an opponent who is down or who is getting up after having been down;
- (c) hitting with the inside or the butt of the hand and wrist: Provided that hitting with the elbow is allowed in muaythai only;
- (d) butting with the head;
- (e) making use of the kidney punch;
- (f) knocking or kicking with the knees in kickboxing;
- (g) making use of the pivot blow;
- (h) making use of the rabbit punch;
- (i) intentionally going down without having been hit;
- (j) not being in earnest or not trying to be in earnest;
- (k) retiring from the bout without sufficient cause;
- (l) committing an unfair physical action that may injure an opponent;
- (m) refusing to obey the referee;

- (n) hitting or flicking with the open glove: Provided that back-handed blows shall only be allowed in muaythai and thaiboxing under K1 rules;
- (o) holding an opponent in a clinch or holding or locking an opponent's arms or head after being ordered by the referee to break;
- (p) holding an opponent with one hand and hitting him or her with the other;
- (q) holding on to the ropes with one hand for the purpose of obtaining greater force in hitting an opponent with the other hand;
- (r) boring or lying on an opponent;
- (s) wrestling or roughing;
- (t) not breaking promptly when ordered to do so;
- (u) resting on the ropes during a stoppage;
- (v) after a stoppage has been ordered, resuming or attempting to resume fighting without being ordered to do so;
- (w) using offensive language or bad behaviour during a fight;
- (x) weaving, ducking or bobbing below an opponent's waistline during an attack;
- (y) a passive defence;
- (z) clowning;
- (aa) deliberately exposing a vital part of his or her body to an opponent;
- (bb) biting;
- (cc) hitting after the bell has sounded ending the round;
- (dd) continuous dropping of his or her mouthpiece;
- (ee) jabbing his or her opponent's eyes with the thumb of his or her gloves; or
- (ff) deliberately expelling or spitting out his or her mouth-piece.

Short title

38. These regulations shall be called the Kickboxingsa Regulations, 2008.

ANNEXURE A

[Regulation 2(1)]

KICKBOXING SA

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL BY PROMOTER, MANAGER, AGENT, MATCHMAKER, TRAINER, SECOND OR FIGHTER

To: KICKBOXING SA

I hereby apply to be registered/for the renewal of my registration as a Promoter/ Manager/Agent/Matchmaker/Trainer/Second/fighter (delete where necessary) in terms of the regulations promulgated under section 14 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended), and I agree to conform with and abide by all those regulations, with which I acknowledge myself to be fully acquainted.

I tender herewith R _____, being the prescribed registration/renewal fee payable.

The following particulars with regard to myself are true and correct, and I attach hereto documentary evidence of my identity:

Full name: _____

Physical address: _____

Postal address: _____

Date and place of birth: _____

Nationality: _____

Country of origin: _____

Nude weight and height (fighters only): _____ kg _____ cm

Have you ever been convicted of any crime? (if so, give particulars):

Have you ever been suspended as a licensee? _____

Were you registered last year: _____

If so:

In which Province? _____

In what capacity? _____

I have no knowledge of any material fact or circumstances which, if known, would induce KICKBOXING SA to refuse to grant, or to grant under qualification, this application.

I accept that KICKBOXING SA shall have the right to revoke my registration as a licensee should I fail to comply with the terms and conditions of the Kickboxing Regulations, 2006, or any other legislation governing kickboxing or bring KICKBOXING SA into disrepute.

(Note: In the event of a juristic person applying to be registered as a promoter, full written particulars of all its shareholders, members and directors must accompany this application.)

If a manager, give names and addresses of fighters currently under your control:

If a fighter, my medical examination shall include tests for the human immune-deficiency virus and hepatitis B and, additionally, in the case of a female fighter, a breast and pelvic examination.

I hereby indemnify and hold KICKBOXING SA harmless against any and all claims for damages howsoever caused or arising during my tenure as a licensee of KICKBOXING SA whether such damages arise out of my activities in the ring at tournaments or when proceeding to or leaving venues of tournaments.

Date: _____

Applicant

ANNEXURE B

[Regulation 2(1) and (6)]

KICKBOXING SA

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL BY AN OFFICIAL

To: KICKBOXING SA

I hereby apply to be registered / for the renewal of my registration as Referee/Judge/Ringmaster/Timekeeper/Announcer (delete where necessary) in terms of the regulations published under section 14 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No.110 of 1998 as amended) and I agree to conform with and abide by all those regulations, with which I acknowledge myself to be fully acquainted.

I tender herewith R_____ , being the prescribed registration/renewal fee payable.

Date: _____

Address: _____

Applicant

ANNEXURE C

[Regulation 2(2)]

KICKBOXING SA

FIGHTER'S REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

KICKBOXING SA HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT

has today been registered as a fighter and a certificate of registration is hereby granted to him/her to fight in the Republic of South Africa up to the 31st day of March 20____

Date: _____

Receipt No. _____

KICKBOXING SA

NB: This registration certificate shall be valid only during the year of issue and requires to be renewed each year thereafter. The holder thereof shall be subject to and bound by the regulations promulgated under section 14 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998) as amended.

ANNEXURE D

[Regulation 2 (2)]

KICKBOXING SA

REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE FOR PROMOTER, MATCHMAKER,
MANAGER, AGENT, TRAINER OR SECOND

KICKBOXING SA HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT

has today been registered as Promoter/Manager/Matchmaker/Agent/Trainer/Second (delete where necessary) and a certificate of registration is hereby granted to him/her to act as such in the Republic of South Africa up to the 31st day of March 20____

Date: _____

Receipt No. _____

for and on behalf of KICKBOXING SA

NB: This registration certificate shall be valid only during the year of issue and requires to be renewed each year thereafter. The holder thereof shall be subject to and bound by the regulations promulgated under section 14 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended).

ANNEXURE E

[Regulation 2 (2)]

KICKBOXING SA

OFFICIAL'S REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

KICKBOXING SA HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT

has today been registered as Referee/Timekeeper/Announcer/Ringmaster/Judge (delete where necessary) and a certificate of registration is hereby granted to him/her to act as such in the Republic of South Africa up to the 31st day of March 20_____

Date: _____

Receipt No. _____

for and on behalf of KICKBOXING SA

NB: This registration certificate shall be valid only during the year of issue and requires to be renewed each year thereafter. The holder thereof shall be subject to and bound by the regulations promulgated under section 14 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended).

ANNEXURE F

[Regulation 3(1)(d)]

MEDICAL EXAMINATION

(Indicated with X)

1. Name _____ Date of birth _____ Height _____ Weight _____
2. Educational standard attained _____
3. Gender: _____
4. Previous record: Number of fights _____
 Number of defeats _____
 Number of knock-outs sustained by fighter _____

5. Any history of fits, seizures, convulsions, epilepsy _____	Yes	No
6. Any history of mental illness _____	Yes	No
7. Any history of eye problems, relating to vision of otherwise _____	Yes	No
Any history of previous illness or injury _____	Yes	No

Examinations:

		Right		Left	
PUPILS:	Light _____	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal
	Adaptation _____	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal
		/20	/6	/20	/6
VISION	_____	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal
FUNDI	_____	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal
REFLEXES:	Knee _____	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal
	Ankle _____	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal
	Biceps _____	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal
	Triceps _____	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal
	Abdominal _____	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal

FINGER-NOSE TEST _____

Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Abnormal
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VOICE/SPEECH _____

Abnormal	Normal
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OTHER NEUROLOGICAL SIGNS

PULSE/min _____

BLOOD PRESSURE _____

Abnormal	Normal
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HEART _____

Abnormal	Normal
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LUNGS _____

Abnormal	Normal
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EARS _____

Abnormal	Normal
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NOSE/THROAT _____

Abnormal	Normal
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ABDOMEN/HERINA _____

Abnormal	Normal
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UPPER EXTREMITIES _____

Abnormal	Normal
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LOWER EXTREMITIES _____

Abnormal	Normal
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URINE ANALYSIS : Albumen _____

Abnormal	Normal
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Sugar _____

Abnormal	Normal
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Blood _____

Abnormal	Normal
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PREGNANCY TEST _____

Positive	Negative
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If any finding is abnormal please give details:

Doctor's name _____ Signature _____

Address _____ Qualifications _____

_____ Date of examination _____

I, the undersigned, _____ do hereby confirm that the information herein before recorded and supplied by me is in all respects true and correct.

Fighter

As witnesses

1. _____

2. _____

Note: Indicate with an X in the appropriate block

ANNEXURE G

[Regulation 15(7)(a)]

**KICKBOXING SA
ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN FIGHTER AND PROMOTER FOR A LONG TERM
ENGAGEMENT**

Agreement between _____ (the "Fighter ") and _____ (the "Promoter")

The fighter hereby agrees to be promoted by the Promoter, who hereby agrees to promote the fighter, in accordance with the regulations promulgated under section 14 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No.110 of 1998 as amended), and subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Obligations of the fighter

- 1.1 During the term of this agreement, the fighter agrees to participate in bouts promoted by the Promoter and shall not, without the prior written consent of the Promoter, participate in any bout promoted by another promoter.
- 1.2 The fighter undertakes to train faithfully and to keep fit during the term of this agreement.
- 1.3 The fighter absolves the Promoter from any responsibility should he or she be injured during the term of this agreement, either during a bout promoted by the Promoter or during his or her training for such bout.
- 1.4 The fighter shall not, during the term of this agreement, engage in any KICKBOXING SA contest or exhibition, without obtaining the prior written permission of the Promoter to do so.
- 1.5 The fighter undertakes to comply with the provisions of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended), and the KICKBOXING SA Regulations 2006 as well as any other legislation governing kickboxing sa.

2. Obligations of the Promoter

- 2.1 The Promoter undertakes and agrees to promote a minimum of two bouts and a maximum of four bouts per year, during the term of this agreement, for the fighter.
- 2.2 The Promoter undertakes to consult with the fighter relating to the bouts to be promoted in terms of 2.1 above and the Promoter shall not require the fighter to fight in a contest at intervals shorter than those prescribed in regulation 17(10).
- 2.3 The Promoter undertakes at all times to act in the best interests of the fighter.

3. Duration of Agreement

- 3.1 This agreement shall, notwithstanding the date upon which it is signed by the parties hereto, come into effect on the date on which it is approved in writing by KICKBOXING SA and shall continue thereafter for a period of 24 months, unless terminated earlier or renewed as provided for elsewhere in this agreement.
- 3.2 Should either party (the "defaulting party") breach any of its obligations in terms of this agreement and fail to remedy such breach within 10 days from the date of receipt of a written demand from the other party (the "non-defaulting party"), the non-defaulting party may, without prejudice to any other rights which it may have in terms of this agreement or at law, cancel this agreement.
- 3.3 This agreement shall terminate with immediate effect should the certificate of registration of the fighter or the Promoter be cancelled by KICKBOXING SA or not be renewed at the end of any year during the term of this agreement.
- 3.4 This agreement shall be suspended with immediate effect should the certificate of registration of the Fighter or the Promoter be suspended by KICKBOXING SA and it shall resume when the aforesaid suspension is lifted.

4. Renewal

This agreement may be renewed upon the same terms and conditions as those set out in this agreement, for subsequent periods of 12 months each, by written agreement between the Fighter and the Promoter. Any such renewal shall be submitted to KICKBOXING SA for approval and shall be effective from the date of approval thereof in writing by KICKBOXING SA.

5. Disputes

Any disputes arising from or relating to this agreement or the cancellation thereof may be resolved in the manner referred to in section 13 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended).

6. General

- 6.1 This agreement constitutes the sole record of the agreement between the parties with regard to the subject matter hereof. No party shall be bound by any express or implied term, representation, warranty, promise or the like not recorded herein.
- 6.2 No addition to, variation of, or agreed cancellation of, this agreement, including this clause, shall be of any force or effect unless in writing, signed by the parties and approved in writing by KICKBOXING SA.
- 6.3 No relaxation or indulgence which any party may grant to any other shall constitute a waiver of the rights of that party and shall not preclude that party from exercising any rights which may have arisen in the past or which might arise in future.
- 6.4 A copy of this agreement shall be retained by KICKBOXING SA.

7. Domicile

The parties hereby select the following addresses as their places of summons and execution for all purposes of this agreement, provided that either party may change his or her place of summons and execution to another address in the Republic upon written notice to the other party and to KICKBOXING SA.

Fighter _____
Promoter _____

Signed at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 20____, in the presence of the Promoter and the undersigned representative of KICKBOXING SA

Signature of fighter

Witnesses:

Signed at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 20__ , in the presence of the fighter and the undersigned representative of KICKBOXING SA

Signature of Promoter

Witnesses:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

Approved by KICKBOXING SA on this _____ day of _____ 20__

For and on behalf of KICKBOXING SA

ANNEXURE H (1)

[Regulations 11(1)(h) and 15 (7) (b)]

KICKBOXING SA

**ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN FIGHTER AND PROMOTER FOR A SPECIFIC
TOURNAMENT**

Agreement between _____ (the
"Promoter")
and _____ (the
"Fighter")

1. The Fighter binds himself or herself to meet _____ in a
_____ rounds
title/non title Fight contest of _____ minute
rounds
at _____ weight.
2. The contest will take place at _____ on
_____ except as otherwise hereinafter provided.
3. The Fighter's purse shall be R _____, which amount shall be
deposited with KICKBOXING SA either in cash or by bank guaranteed cheque at least 30 days
prior to the tournament. If the fighter is to be remunerated on a percentage basis, the amount
to be deposited shall be the sum determined by KICKBOXING SA to be sufficient to cover the
percentage stipulated. This amount shall be disbursed by KICKBOXING SA subject to the
deduction of any contributions payable by the fighter by agreement.
4. The rules governing the contest shall be the KICKBOXING SA Regulations, 2006.
5. Should the Promoter:
 - a) cancel the contest for any reason whatsoever; or
 - b) substitute another contestant for the fighter; or
 - c) decide not to proceed with the promotion of the tournament at which the said
contest is to take place; or
 - d) postpone the tournament or the said contest upon reasonable grounds, he or she may do
so, provided he or she pays the fighter the sum of
R _____
(must be completed)

which amount the fighter hereby agrees to accept in settlement of any claim which
he or she may have against the Promoter, arising out of this agreement.

In the event, however, of the Promoter being prevented from promoting the said contest by reason of an act of God or by the order of the South African Police or as a result of mechanical or technical failure at the venue which precludes the tournament from proceeding or by KICKBOXING SA, then and in such event the Promoter shall not be obliged to pay the contracted sum to the fighter but shall pay the fee stipulated in Clause 5 (d).

6. (a) In the event of the Promoter having to postpone the contest or tournament on reasonable grounds, and subject to the payment of the sum mentioned under clause 5(d) of this agreement, the fighter hereby agrees that he or she will fulfil the terms of this agreement on another date to be mutually agreed upon, or, failing agreement, on a date as may be fixed by KICKBOXING SA, unless the parties agree in writing to the cancellation of this agreement.
- (b) Subject to the written approval of KICKBOXING SA, for good cause shown, the Promoter shall have the right to nominate another opponent to meet the fighter in place of the one named in clause 1 of this agreement.
7. Should the fighter fail to weigh in at the weight mentioned in clause 1 of this agreement at the official weigh-in time, the fighter must pay to his or her opponent 20 percent of the fighter's purse money by way of damages, and KICKBOXING SA is hereby authorized by the fighter to deduct this amount from the fighter's purse and to pay the said amount to his or her opponent. In a contest for a title, if the fighter is overweight and as a result thereof the Promoter is unable to announce the contest as a title fight, then and in such event the said fighter who is overweight must pay the Promoter 10 percent of his or her purse money as an agreed fee to compensate the Promoter for damages which he or she may have sustained by reason of his or her inability to style such a fight as a title contest. The fighter also authorizes KICKBOXING SA to deduct for itself a further 10 percent from his or her purse should he or she fail to weigh in at the weight mentioned in clause 1 of this agreement.
8. If the fighter arrives more than 45 minutes after the scheduled time for the pre-fight, weigh-in or tournament, he or she must be penalized 10 percent of his or her purse money which money shall accrue to KICKBOXING SA.
9. In the event of the fighter failing to appear at the time nominated by KICKBOXING SA for the official weigh-in or failing to appear ready for the contest not later than one hour before the time appointed therefor, unless he or she is ill (in which event he or she shall furnish either the Promoter or KICKBOXING SA with a medical certificate immediately after such illness has occurred and must submit himself or herself, if required to do so, for examination by a medical practitioner of KICKBOXING SA) or is prevented by any other circumstance beyond his or her control, then he or she shall pay the Promoter the sum equivalent to 20 percent of his or her agreed purse money for that bout.
10. The Fighter agrees to train regularly and faithfully for the contest and to submit to weighing-in by the representative of KICKBOXING SA or, with KICKBOXING SA's authority, by the

Promoter's representative whenever called upon to do so and to submit to weighing-in by KICKBOXING SA's representative at the place and time named by KICKBOXING SA.

11. If so requested by the Promoter, the fighter shall give public demonstrations of his or her training at such reasonable times as the Promoter may request.
12. In the event of-
 - (a) the referee deciding that the fighter has not tried to win his or her contest; and/or
 - (b) KICKBOXING SA deciding for any reason whatsoever to withhold the fighter's purse; and/or
 - (c) KICKBOXING SA deciding to hold an enquiry relative to the contest,KICKBOXING SA shall have the right to retain such fighter's purse.
13. The Promoter shall furnish a written report to KICKBOXING SA in connection with the matter, if called upon by KICKBOXING SA to do so. KICKBOXING SA may, in its discretion, declare the whole or part of the fighter's purse to be forfeited and shall decide upon the allocation of such forfeiture.
14. The referee and judges for the contest shall be appointed by KICKBOXING SA.
15. The fighter hereby undertakes to inform the medical practitioner of the Promoter and the medical practitioner of KICKBOXING SA prior to the contest of any injury he or she may have sustained or any illness he or she may have contracted during or since his or her last contest.
16. The Fighter has no claim against the Promoter, KICKBOXING SA or any of KICKBOXING SA's members or officials for any injuries he or she may sustain while training for the contest or during or after the contest.
17. The Fighter binds himself or herself not to take part in any other contest or kickboxing exhibition within _____ days before the contest herein referred to.
18. Except for the names of KICKBOXING SA equipment manufacturers appearing on such equipment, the Fighter agrees that no wording, symbols, pictures, designs, names or other advertising or informational material shall appear on the trunks, robe, or other clothing worn by him or her, his or her trainers or seconds during or at the bout without the prior approval of the Promoter. If the Promoter does not, in his or her sole discretion, grant such approval, the fighter or his or her trainers or seconds, as the case may be, shall promptly either take corrective action to remove the unauthorized material or shall substitute the clothing or equipment concerned with clothing or equipment bearing no such unauthorized material.
19. The Fighter hereby agrees that he or she will co-operate with the Promoter in publishing, advertising and promoting the bout. The publicity may also, within reason, include public appearances, exhibitions and interviews (which may be broadcasted or televised) as and when decided upon by the Promoter. The foregoing paragraph in regard to clothing and equipment shall, subject to the changes required by the context, apply thereto.

20. Any disputes arising from or relating to this agreement or the cancellation thereof may be resolved in the manner referred to in section 13 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended).

21. The fighter chooses his or her place of summons and execution for all purposes relating to, or arising out of, this agreement at _____

22. The Promoter chooses his or her place of summons and execution for all purposes relating to, or arising out of, this agreement at _____

Signed at _____ this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Promoter's signature

Fighter's signature

Witness _____

Witness _____

Signed by _____ of _____ as co-principal, co-obligator and co-debtor for the due and punctual performance by the fighter of all the terms of this agreement and payment by him or her of any sum which may at any time hereafter become due and payable by the Fighter to the Promoter and arising out of or referred to in the

above-mentioned agreement, at _____ on this the _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Witness _____

Witness _____

Co-principal debtor's signature

Registered with KICKBOXING SA on _____

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF KICKBOXING SA

NB: This agreement shall be lodged with KICKBOXING SA at least 30 days before the date of the proposed contest.

ANNEXURE H (2)

[Regulation 11(1)(h) and 15(7)(b)]

KICKBOXING SA

**ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN A FOREIGN FIGHTER AND PROMOTER FOR A
SPECIFIC TOURNAMENT IF THE PURSE MONEY OF SUCH A FIGHTER IS PAYABLE IN A
FOREIGN COUNTRY**

Agreement between _____ (the "Promoter")
and _____ (the "fighter")

1. The Fighter binds himself or herself to meet _____ in a
_____ rounds title/non title fight
contest of _____ minute rounds at
_____ weight.
2. The contest will take place at _____ on
_____ except as otherwise hereinafter provided.
3. The fighter's purse shall be _____. The Promoter shall ensure that the amount of
_____, payable in _____ (monetary unit) at _____
(name of bank or other financial institution) in _____ (name of country) shall be
paid by bank guaranteed cheque or _____ (other acceptable means) not
later than 30 days prior to the tournament, failing which the license for the tournament shall be
withdrawn. The purse money shall, after conclusion of the tournament, be paid by
_____(KICKBOXING SA/ fighter or other firm/company)
_____ on the written request of the fighter not later than 14 days prior to the
date of the tournament to _____ (a person or body other than the fighter) and
such payment shall be regarded as being paid to the fighter.
4. The rules governing the contest shall be the Kickboxing Regulations, 2006.
5. Should the Promoter-
 - (a) cancel the contest for any reason whatsoever; or
 - (b) substitute another contestant for the fighter; or
 - (c) decide not to proceed with the promotion of the tournament at which the said contest is to
take place; or
 - (d) postpone the tournament or the said contest upon reasonable grounds, he or
she may do so, provided he or she pays the fighter the sum of
R _____
(must be completed)

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which amount the fighter hereby agrees to accept in settlement of any claim which he or she
may have against the Promoter, arising out of this agreement.

In the event, however, of the Promoter being prevented from promoting the said contest by reason of an act of God or by the order of the South African Police or as a result of technical or mechanical failure at the venue which precludes the tournament from proceeding, or by KICKBOXING SA, then and in such event the Promoter shall not be obliged to pay the contracted sum to the fighter but shall pay the fee stipulated in Clause 5(d).

6. (a) In the event of the Promoter having to postpone the contest or tournament on reasonable grounds, and subject to the payment of the sum mentioned under clause 5(d) of this agreement, the fighter hereby agrees that he or she will fulfil the terms of this agreement on another date to be mutually agreed upon, or, failing agreement, on a date as may be fixed by KICKBOXING SA, unless the parties agree in writing to the cancellation of this agreement.
- (b) Subject to the written approval of KICKBOXING SA, for good cause shown, the Promoter shall have the right to nominate another opponent to meet the fighter in place of the one named in clause 1 of this agreement.
7. Should the fighter fail to weigh in at the weight mentioned in clause 1 of this agreement at the official weigh-in time, the fighter must pay to his or her opponent 20 percent of the fighter's purse money by way of damages, and KICKBOXING SA is hereby authorized by the fighter to deduct this amount from the fighter's purse and to pay the said amount to his or her opponent. In a contest for a title, if the fighter is overweight and as a result thereof the Promoter is unable to announce the contest as a title fight, then and in such event the said fighter who is overweight must pay the Promoter 10 percent of his or her purse money as an agreed fee to compensate the Promoter for damages which he or she may have sustained by reason of his or her inability to style such a fight as a title contest. The fighter also authorizes KICKBOXING SA to deduct for itself a further 10 percent from his or her purse should he or she fail to weigh in at the weight mentioned in clause 1 of this agreement.
8. If the fighter arrives more than forty five minutes after the scheduled time for the pre-fight, weigh-in or tournament, he or she must be penalized 10 percent of his or her purse money which amount must accrue to KICKBOXING SA.
9. In the event of the fighter failing to appear at the time nominated by KICKBOXING SA for the official weigh-in or failing to appear ready for the contest not later than one hour before the time appointed therefor, unless he or she is ill (in which event he or she must furnish either the Promoter or KICKBOXING SA with a medical certificate immediately after such illness has occurred and must submit himself or herself, if required to do so, for examination by a medical practitioner of KICKBOXING SA) or is prevented by any other circumstance beyond his or her control, then he or she must pay the Promoter the sum equivalent to 20 percent of his or her agreed purse money for that bout.
10. The Fighter agrees to train regularly and faithfully for the contest and to submit to weighing-in by the representative of KICKBOXING SA or, with KICKBOXING SA's authority, by the

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Promoter's representative whenever called upon to do so and to submit to weighing-in by KICKBOXING SA's representative at the place and time named by KICKBOXING SA.

11. If so requested by the Promoter, the fighter shall give public demonstrations of his or her training at such reasonable times as the Promoter may request.

12. In the event of-

(a) the referee deciding that the fighter has not tried to win his or her contest;

(b) KICKBOXING SA deciding for any reason whatsoever to withhold the fighter's purse;

(c) KICKBOXING SA deciding to hold an enquiry relative to the contest,

KICKBOXING SA shall have the right to retain such fighter's purse.

The Promoter shall furnish a written report to KICKBOXING SA in connection with the matter, if called upon by KICKBOXING SA to do so. KICKBOXING SA may, in its discretion, declare the whole or part of the fighter's purse to be forfeited and shall decide upon the allocation of such forfeiture.

13. The fighter hereby undertakes to inform the medical practitioner of the Promoter and the medical practitioner of KICKBOXING SA prior to the contest of any injury he or she may have sustained or any illness he or she may have contracted during or since his or her last contest.

14. The fighter has no claim against the Promoter, KICKBOXING SA or any of KICKBOXING SA's for any injuries he or she may sustain whilst training for the contest or during or after the contest.

15. The fighter binds himself or herself not to take part in any other contest or kickboxing exhibition within _____ days before the contest herein referred to.

16. Except for the names of KICKBOXING SA equipment manufacturers appearing on such equipment, the Fighter agrees that no wording, symbols, pictures, designs, names or other advertising or informational material shall appear on the trunks, robe, shoes or other clothing worn by him or her, his or her trainers or seconds during or at the bout without the prior approval of the Promoter. If the Promoter does not, in his or her sole discretion, grant such approval, the Fighter or his or her trainers or seconds, as the case may be, shall promptly either take corrective action to remove the unauthorized material or shall substitute the clothing or equipment concerned with clothing or equipment bearing no such unauthorized material.

17. The fighter hereby agrees that he or she will co-operate with the Promoter in publishing, advertising and promoting the bout. The publicity may also, within reason, include public

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appearances, exhibitions and interviews (which may be broadcasted or televised) as and when decided upon by the Promoter. The foregoing paragraph in regard to clothing and equipment shall, subject to the changes required by the context, apply thereto.

18. Any disputes arising from or relating to this agreement or the cancellation thereof may be resolved in the manner referred to in section 13 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended).

19. The fighter chooses his or her place for summons and execution for all purposes relating to, or arising out of, this agreement at _____

20. The Promoter chooses his or her place of summons and execution for all purposes relating to, or arising out of, this agreement at _____

Signed at _____ this _____ day of _____ 20_____

Promoter's signature

Fighter's signature

Witness _____

Witness _____

Signed by _____ of _____ as co-principal, co-obligator and co-debtor for the due and punctual performance by the fighter of all the terms of this agreement and payment by him or her of any sum which may at any time hereafter become due and payable by the fighter to the Promoter and arising out of or referred to in the above-mentioned agreement, at _____ on this the _____ day of _____ 20_____

Witness _____

Witness _____

Co-principal debtor's signature

Registered with KICKBOXING SA on _____

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF KICKBOXING SA

NB: This agreement shall be lodged with KICKBOXING SA at least 30 days before the date of the proposed contest.

ANNEXURE I**[Regulation 15(15)]****ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN FIGHTER AND MANAGER**

Agreement between _____ (the "fighter ") and _____ (the "Manager")

The Fighter hereby agrees to fight under the management and directions of the Manager, who hereby agrees to manage the fighter, in accordance with the regulations promulgated under section of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended) and subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Obligations of the fighter

- 1.1 During the term of this agreement, the fighter agrees to be guided by the arrangements made by the Manager in the matter of contests and agrees to fight in accordance with such arrangements.
- 1.2 The fighter undertakes to train faithfully and to keep fit during the term of this agreement.
- 1.3 The fighter absolves the Manager from any responsibility should he be injured during the term of this agreement, either within the ring or out of it.
- 1.4 Should the Manager arrange for the fighter to fight at any venue other than in the Province where the fighter resides, the fighter 's traveling expenses and accommodation expenses shall be met in addition to the purse money agreed upon, and such additional expenses shall not be subject to the percentage commission agreed to. This clause shall be subject to the fighter being able to travel to the venue arranged.
- 1.5 The fighter agrees to pay the Manager, in consideration for the due and proper performance by the Manager of his/her obligations in terms of this agreement, an amount equal to _____% (_____percentage) of all purse moneys received by the fighter during the term of this agreement.
- 1.6 The fighter shall not, during the term of this agreement, engage in any KICKBOXING SA contest or exhibition, without obtaining the prior written permission of the Manager to do so, which permission shall not be unreasonably withheld.

2. Obligations of the Manager

- 2.1 The Manager agrees to train, manage and guide the fighter and to arrange contests for him or her to their mutual advantage in consideration for receiving the remuneration referred to in 1.5 above.

- 2.2 The Manager undertakes to consult with the fighter in the matter of arranging contests and shall not require the fighter to fight in a contest at intervals shorter than those prescribed in regulation of the KICKBOXING SA Regulations, 2006.
- 2.3 The Manager shall not make arrangements for the fighter to participate in a KICKBOXING SA contest where the Manager has a direct or indirect financial or other interest in the fighter 's opponent.
- 2.4 The Manager undertakes to procure a minimum of two fights per year for the fighter and shall at all times act in the best interests of the fighter.
- 2.5 The Manager undertakes to comply with the provisions of the Kickboxing sa Regulations, 2006 and any other legislation governing kickboxing sa.

3. Duration of Agreement

- 3.1 This agreement shall, notwithstanding the date upon which it is signed by the parties hereto, come into effect on the date on which it is approved in writing by KICKBOXING SA and shall continue thereafter for a period of two years, unless terminated earlier as provided for in this agreement.
- 3.2 Should either party (the "defaulting party") breach any of its obligations in terms of this agreement and fail to remedy such breach within 10 days from the date of receipt of a written demand from the other party (the "non-defaulting party"), the non-defaulting party may, without prejudice to any other rights which it may have in terms of this agreement or at law, to cancel this agreement.
- 3.3 This agreement shall terminate with immediate effect should the certificate of registration of the fighter or the Manager be cancelled by KICKBOXING SA or not be renewed at the end of any year during the term of this agreement.
- 3.4 This agreement shall be suspended with immediate effect should the certificate of registration of the fighter or the Manager be suspended by KICKBOXING SA and it shall resume when the aforesaid suspension is lifted.

4, Disputes

Any disputes arising from or relating to this agreement or the cancellation thereof may be resolved in the manner referred to in section 13 of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998, (Act No. 110 of 1998) as amended.

5. General

- 5.1 This agreement constitutes the sole record of the agreement between the parties with regard to the subject matter hereof. No party shall be bound by any express

or implied term, representation, warranty, promise or the like not recorded herein.

5.2 No addition to, variation of, or agreed cancellation of, this agreement, including this clause, shall be of any force or effect unless in writing, signed by the parties and approved in writing by KICKBOXING SA.

5.3 No relaxation or indulgence which any party may grant to any other shall constitute a waiver of the rights of that party and shall not preclude that party from exercising any rights which may have arisen in the past or which might arise in future.

5.4 A copy of this agreement shall be retained by KICKBOXING SA.

6. **Domicile**

The parties hereby select the following addresses as their place of summons and execution for all purposes of this agreement, provided that either party may change its place of summons and execution to another address in the Republic of South Africa upon written notice to the other party and to KICKBOXING SA.

Fighter _____

Manager _____

Signed at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 20____, in the presence of the Manager and the undersigned representative of KICKBOXING SA

Signature of Fighter

Witnesses:

1. _____

2. _____

Signed at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 20____, in the presence of the Fighter and the undersigned representative of KICKBOXING SA

Signature of Manager

Witnesses:

1. _____

2. _____

Approved by KICKBOXING SA on this _____ day of _____ 20__

For and on behalf of KICKBOXING SA

ANNEXURE J

[Regulation 17 (1) and (2)]

KICKBOXING SA

CHALLENGE

To KICKBOXING SA:

I, the undersigned, hereby challenge _____, the present holder of the Provincial/South African (delete where necessary) _____ weight title, to a contest of twelve/ten (delete where necessary) rounds at the standard weight of _____ kg.

I confirm that my last three consecutive fights were in the

_____ **Weight category.**

The following are the details of my last three *fights*:

	Last fight	2nd last fight	3rd last fight
Date			
My weight			
Opponent's name			
His or her weight			
Result			
Place			

I declare that the above information to the best of my belief and knowledge is true and correct.

Date _____

Address _____

Signature of challenger

ANNEXURE K

[Regulations 16 (5), 23(2)(c
and 24 (5) (b)]

MEDICAL PRACTITIONER'S REPORT

Name of Promoter: _____ Venue: _____ Date
of Contest _____

Name of Contestant	Age	Weight	Lungs	Heart	Temp	Blood Pressure	Pulse		Hands		Eyes	Scrotal Evidence Hernia	Abdominal Inspection	After Contest Recommendations
							Sit	Stand	Right	Left				
														Suspend ____ Days No contact training Special Exam ____
														Suspend ____ Days No contact training Special Exam ____
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A fighter s will be suspended a minimum of 30 days after a knockout or a hard fight, unless a longer period is recommended and will refrain from contact training for 14 days unless a longer period is recommended. If you recommend a special examination, indicate the nature of the examination. KICKBOXING SA desires that physicians pay special attention to contestants' hands.

REMARKS: _____

I have this day examined the above-named persons and find them in _____ physical condition to engage in KICKBOXING SA contest for the above date.

PHYSICIAN PLEASE SIGN HERE: _____ **DATE:** _____

Note: The ringside physician must complete the "After Contest Recommendations" column if a fighter is knocked out or injured in any way.

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PUNISHMENT INDEX

(Record of punishment sustained by a Fighter)

DATE OF TOURNAMENT _____ VENUE _____

Bout No.	Round Weight	Fighter	*Punishment Index (enter applicable code 0,1,2,3 or 4 below)	Comments	Result
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					

* Codes

- 0 = No blows of consequence absorbed.
- 1. = A few moderate blows: e.g. winning bout over four rounds.
- 2. = Mild punishment: e.g. losing bout over 4 rounds, winning longer bouts.
- 3. = Severe punishment e.g. losing or even winning long gruelling bout.
- 4. = Very severe punishment: e.g. early technical knock-out or multiple knock-downs (automatic 60 days suspension).

TO BE ENTERED INTO FIGHTER'S RECORD

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISORY OFFICIAL
