

California State Athletic Commission

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To: Promoters

CC: California State Athletic Inspectors

From: George Dodd, Executive Officer

Re: Medical Requirements/Federal or National Id Cards/Mixed Martial Arts Database

The California State Athletic Commission (CSAC) is finding it increasingly difficult to comply with its mandate to ensure all athletes receive proper clearance before being allowed to compete. This is caused by a number of factors including the past practice of allowing bouts to move forward anticipating promoters will provide the necessary clearance for the athletes before or at the scheduled weigh in. In order to address this problem, the CSAC is instituting a number of measures including discontinuing this accommodation.

Therefore, <u>effective July 1, 2010 the CSAC will not</u> allow a proposed bout to move forward if the promoter has not provided Athletic Commission staff clearance for the athlete(s) from FightFax and/or MixedMartialArts.com at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled weigh in time. The clearance required includes, but is not limited to, medical restrictions, suspensions, Federal/National ID, etc. No exceptions will be allowed as the law requires that all fighters be properly licensed and cleared by either FightFax or MixedMartialArts.com prior to competing. Specifically, Commission Rule 216 requires that, before a boxer sign a bout contract to box in California, that <u>the boxer have a license prior to signing the contract</u>. Therefore no bout contracts will be approved until the boxer who is being signed is licensed.

Also, any promoter conducting a professional mixed martial arts contest must ensure that the fight card is place on the mixed martial arts database not less than 7 days prior to the event. If you have any questions about how to login or apply, please contact my staff at the athletic commission and they can assist you in completing the process.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.