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Greetings,

The Arkansas Athletic Commission office provides this summary of information to assist with the success of your event. This information is intended to be helpful, as you organize and plan authorized events.

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**Licensure**

1. Arkansas law §17-22-303 requires that no person shall participate in or promote an event **without first obtaining a license.**

Individual license applications are available on the webpage:  
https://www.labor.arkansas.gov/divisions/labor-standards/state-athletic-commission/

Incomplete or illegible applications will not be processed:  
- Write clearly and complete applicable sections  
- Provide official state or federal government identification with photo  
- State issued ID or state issued driver’s license  
- Submit license fee

Application approval review includes:  
- Arkansas sexual offender registry in accordance with §17-22-3029(c) (1) for all license types  
- Blood test results for contestants: HIV 1 & 2, Hepatitis BsAg, and Hepatitis C.

2. Mandatory **blood work is required** for contestant licensure and to participate as a contestant in any event. The blood tests required are HIV 1 & 2, Hepatitis BsAg, and Hepatitis C. The Arkansas State Athletic Commission does not pay for required **blood work.**

**Blood work is considered valid for 6 months from date of testing.** The commission does not provide blood work expiration reminders.

**Blood work** results are only accepted from the original source (laboratory or medical provider) or approved commissions. As of this letter Virginia and Ohio Athletic Commissions are approved. Results are to be sent directly to Arkansas Athletic Commission office.
Events

1. Commission accepts **no cash** at events. Checks and money orders payable to Arkansas Athletic Commission are accepted.

2. Event applications are required, by the Rules and Regulations, to be submitted to the Commission office **30 days prior to event**, with proof of financial responsibility. Arkansas law 17-22-304 requires the financial responsibility to be a surety bond, cashier’s check or letter of credit.
   - Incomplete event applications will not be processed.
   - Written confirmation of the event date will be provided.
   - Every effort will be made to accommodate the requested date.

3. **At least ten (10) days prior to an Event**, submit the required information. Submission of incomplete information or late submission of information places your event at risk.
   a. Contestant list **with** full legal name and birth date
      i. Waivers, exemptions or changes will not be considered after the 5 business day deadline if the original contestant list was not received at least 10 days prior to event
      ii. Contestant list will be reviewed for licensure, suspensions, blood work compliance, and sexual offender registry
   b. Proof of medical insurance coverage
   c. Proof of dedicated ambulance service coverage
   d. Proof of ringside physician
   e. Bout **card application with proof of records for each contestant** and signatures of both contestant and promoter

   The applications and forms are available on the webpage.

Thank you,

Arkansas State Athletic Commission