**Section 1370.300 Application for a Permit**

a) Permits shall not be issued for applications listing less than 3 bouts.

b) A promoter shall submit a completed application for a permit to conduct a contest on forms supplied by the Division at least 20 days prior to the scheduled event. The application shall include:

1) The legal names, addresses, phone numbers, fax numbers (if available) and email addresses (if available) of the promoter and matchmaker;

2) The time, date and location of the contest;

3) The seating capacity of the location where the contest is to be held;

4) A copy of the written agreement for use of the venue by the promoter or proof of ownership of venue by the promoter;

5) The admission charge or charges to be made;

6) Proof of sufficient security in compliance with the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, Fingerprint Vendor and Locksmith Act of 2004 [225 ILCS 447];

7) The name, address and phone number of the nearest hospital with a neurosurgical unit;

8) A letter or other written statement indicating the weigh-in location, date and time, which shall be subject to the approval of the Division;

9) Proof of contract indicating the requisite registration and sanctioning by a Division approved sanctioning body for any full-contact martial arts contest with scheduled amateur bouts;

10) Organizational or internationally accepted rules, per discipline, for professional or amateur full-contact martial arts contests for which the Division does not provide the rules of competition; and

11) The required fee set forth in Section 1370.30.

c) Permit fees are non-refundable.

d) The promoter may request, in writing, to amend the permit application to hold a professional or amateur contest or combination of both in a location different than the location the original application stated. The promoter shall obtain prior written approval from the Division for any venue changes for the contest. Under Section 1370.30, the Division requires additional permit fees for any venue change.

e) The promoter shall obtain a new permit from the Division for any change of date for a previously issued permit. The original permit shall be deemed null and void once the new permit is issued.

f) A minimum of 10 days prior to the contest, the promoter shall submit the following to the Division:

1) The names of the ringside physicians and their respective license numbers;

2) The names of the contestants and current information from an official recordkeeper designated by the Division such as Fight Fax, Mixedmartialarts.com or any equivalent determined by the Division;

3) A completed ambulance agreement letter;

4) Written notice to the Division indicating the name of the announcer for the contest. The announcer shall be subject to approval by the Division; and

5) Proof of insurance required by Section 8 of the Act:

A) Contestant's accidental death and dismemberment insurance for not less than $25,000, with any deductible paid by the promoter;

B) Contestant's excess medical insurance for not less than $25,000, with any deductible paid by the promoter;

C) Public liability insurance, with a $1,000,000 minimum;

D) Property damage insurance, with $25,000 minimum.

g) Five days prior to the contest, the promoter shall submit to the Division a notarized printer's manifest for the amount and price of tickets printed for contest promotions. General admission tickets shall be consecutively numbered. When available, an electronic printout is to be given to a Division representative on the day of the show. All complimentary tickets shall designate that they are complimentary or reflect a zero dollar value.

h) At least one day prior to the contest, the promoter shall submit to the Division

a copy of the contracts, including replacement bout contracts, for the bouts, which shall be signed by the promoter, contestant and manager, if applicable.

i) Within 24 hours prior to the event, the promoter shall provide to the Division the payments for the officials, as required by Section 1370.40(f).

j) The Division will not approve permits for:

1) Bouts between members of the opposite sex;

2) Bouts between professional and amateur contestants;

3) Bouts between human contestants and nonhumans; or

4) Contests with more than 2 contestants competing in the same bout.

k) The Division may, in its discretion, deny an application for a permit or grant a limited, restricted or conditional permit. Instances in which the Division may take these actions include, but are not limited to:

1) instances in which the Division determines that denying or restricting a permit is in the best interest of the contestants, officials, or public's health, welfare and safety; or

2) when a formal complaint has been filed against the promoter requesting the permit or when a complaint relates to the request to permit the event.

l) No promoter, official or contestant shall serve in any capacity at a contest for which the Division has denied a permit or for which a permit has not been issued. Participation in non-permitted contests may be grounds for discipline.

m) The promoter must have an approved permit before any advertisement, publicity or other public announcement is issued for the contest unless there is prominently displayed a disclaimer stating that the contest has not yet been approved. Violation of this provision may be grounds for discipline.