

**Chapter 467 of NAC**

**LCB File No. T022-05**

**ADOPTED TEMPORARY REGULATION OF THE NEVADA  
ATHLETIC COMMISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT  
OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY**

**Filed with the Secretary of State on March 23, 2005**

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: NRS 467.030

**Section 1.** NAC 467.427 is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 467.427 The gloves used in a contest or exhibition must meet the following requirements:

1. The gloves must be examined by the representative of the Commission and the referee. If padding in any glove is found to be misplaced or lumpy or if any glove is found to be imperfect, the glove must be changed before the contest or exhibition starts. No breaking, roughing or twisting of gloves is permitted.

2. The gloves for every contest or exhibition that is designated as a main event must be new, furnished by the promoter and made to fit the hands of the unarmed combatant.

3. If gloves to be used in preliminary contests or exhibitions have been used before, they must be whole, clean and in sanitary condition. The gloves are subject to inspection by the referee or representative of the Commission. If a glove is found to be unfit, it must be replaced with a glove that meets the requirements of this section.

4. Each promoter must have an extra set of gloves of the appropriate weight available to be used in case a glove is broken or otherwise damaged during the course of a contest or exhibition.

5. For contests or exhibitions of boxing, other than elimination boxing contests, and for contests or exhibitions of kickboxing, each unarmed combatant must wear gloves which weigh not less than 8 ounces and not more than 10 ounces, except that the Commission ~~[will]~~ *may* set the weight of gloves to be used in a championship contest. All gloves must have the distal portion of the thumb attached to the body of the glove so as to minimize the possibility of injury to an opponent's eye.

6. For contests or exhibitions of mixed martial arts, each unarmed combatant must wear gloves that weigh not less than 4 ounces and not more than 8 ounces.

7. Both unarmed combatants shall use ~~[the same]~~ *only those* brands and models of gloves for their contest or exhibition *that have been approved by the Commission*.

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY REGULATION  
LCB File No. T022-05**

The Nevada Athletic Commission adopted temporary regulations assigned LCB File No. T022-05 which pertain to chapter 467 of the Nevada Administrative Code on March 7, 2005.

**INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT**

**1. A description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**

T022-05 was noticed by posting at the (1) Office of the Athletic Commission, 555 East Washington Avenue, Suite 3200, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101; (2) Bradley Building, 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104; (3) Washoe County District Courthouse, 75 Court Street, Reno, Nevada 89502; (4) Department of Parks & Recreation, 2601 East Sunset Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89120; and (5) State of Nevada Grant Sawyer Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101, by mailing to all main public libraries in each Nevada county; and by mailing to all persons and businesses who had requested in writing that they be placed upon a mailing list pursuant to NRS 233B.0603. Comments from the public focused on (1) the health and safety of the unarmed combatants, (2) rules regarding boxing gloves, (3) clarification of bout agreements. There was one written comment submitted, and there were 7 persons who testified. A copy of a summary of the public response may be obtained by calling the Office of the Athletic Commission at (702) 486-2575, or writing to the Office of the Athletic Commission, 555 East Washington Avenue, Suite 3200, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

**2. The number of persons who:**

<b>(a) Attended the</b>	
<b>November 10, 2004 workshop:</b>	3
<b>January 19, 2005 hearing:</b>	6
<b>March 4, 2005 hearing:</b>	4

<b>(b) Testified at the</b>	
<b>November 10, 2004 workshop:</b>	1
<b>January 19, 2005 hearing:</b>	5
<b>March 4, 2005 hearing:</b>	3

**(c) Submitted to the agency written comments:** One (1) written comment was submitted to the agency. That comment was jointly submitted by the Presidents of the International Boxing Federation and the World Boxing Association.

**3. A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**

Comments were solicited from affected businesses by posting at the (1) Office of the Athletic Commission, 555 East Washington Avenue, Suite 3200, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101; (2) Bradley Building, 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104; (3) Washoe County District Courthouse, 75 Court Street, Reno, Nevada 89502; (4) Department of Parks & Recreation, 2601 East Sunset Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89120; and (5) State of Nevada Grant Sawyer Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101, by mailing to all main public libraries in each Nevada county; and by mailing to all persons and businesses who had requested in writing that they be placed upon a mailing list pursuant to NRS 233B.0603. Comments from interested businesses included (1) the health and safety of the unarmed combatants, (2) rules regarding boxing gloves, (3) clarification of bout agreements. There was one written comment submitted. A copy of a summary of the businesses' response may be obtained by calling the Office of the Athletic Commission at (702) 486-2575, or writing to the Office of the Athletic Commission, 555 East Washington Avenue, Suite 3200, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

**4. A summary of the reasons for making changes to the regulation as proposed.**

The Nevada Athletic Commission adopted T022-05 as temporary regulation with two (2) changes. The Commission made a change to Section 2, subsection 5, by making the Commission's selection of glove weight for championship contests discretionary instead of mandatory. Also, the Commission limited the change to Section 2, subsection 7, to address just the type of gloves the unarmed combatants wear, and not the color thereof. The Athletic Commission favorably responded to the public concerns and adopted T022-05, as amended.

**5. The estimated economic effect of the adopted regulation on the business that it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately, and each case must include:**

- (a) Both adverse and beneficial effects; and**
- (b) Both immediate and long-term effects.**

- a. The proposed regulation is not expected to have an immediate or long-term adverse economic effect, nor an immediate or long-term beneficial economic effect upon the regulated community.
- b. There is no estimated adverse effect on the public. However, there should be both immediate and long-term beneficial effect on the public because of improved regulation of unarmed combat in Nevada.

**6. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the adopted regulation.**

There is no additional cost to the agency for enforcement of these regulations.

**7. A description of any regulations of other state or government agencies that the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency.**

There are no other state or governmental agency regulations that the proposed regulation duplicates.

**8. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.**

Not applicable.

**9. If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.**

This regulation does not provide a new fee or increase an existing fee. Since no fees are involved, there is not a total amount expected to be collected or used.