

**14B NCAC 10 .0403 DUTIES OF CONTESTANTS**

- (a) A contestant shall not also be licensed as a judge, promoter or referee nor shall he act as judge, promoter or referee.
- (b) A contestant shall not have any financial or pecuniary interest in his opponent.
- (c) A contestant shall not be licensed as a contestant and the license of any contestant shall be suspended or revoked if such person:
  - (1) Is under 18 years of age;
  - (2) Has had cardiac surgery;
  - (3) Has not received ophthalmic examination within the immediate 12 month period prior to the date of the scheduled match and the results of the examination filed with the Division;
  - (4) Is found to have any blindness or whose vision is so poor as to cause a health hazard or impairment to his ability to effectively participate in a match;
  - (5) Has suffered cerebral hemorrhage or any other serious head injury. The Division representative shall, if he has cause to believe that a contestant may have suffered neurological injury, direct the contestant to undergo an EKG or CAT scan, and the interpretation and diagnosis shall be filed with the Division; or
  - (6) Is no longer able to competently perform based on his win/lose/draw record, his previous opponents and the results of such matches, his proposed opponent and the results of the matches between his proposed opponent and others, and his physical condition.
- (d) A contestant whose most recent match was eight rounds or more in duration, shall not engage in a match with less than seven calendar days between matches. A contestant whose most recent match was less than eight rounds in duration, shall not engage in a match with less than 48 hours between matches.
- (e) Any contestant who fails to appear at a match or fails to appear timely at a match for which he or his manager has contracted and does not provide a valid reason or, in the case of physical disability, furnish a physician's certificate, shall be suspended for a period to be determined by the Division. A valid reason for failure to appear or to appear timely at a match includes an unforeseen travel delay or other circumstance beyond the contestant's control. In making a determination as to the period of suspension, the Division shall consider the following factors:
  - (1) The relative importance of the match;
  - (2) The contestant's past record of punctuality and tardiness; and
  - (3) The reason or reasons for his failure to appear or appear timely.

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