

#### **14B NCAC 10 .0410 DUTIES OF SECONDS**

- (a) A second shall not act as a second at any boxing or kickboxing match in this State unless the match is held in accordance with the rules of this Chapter.
- (b) A second shall not have any financial or pecuniary interest in the opponent of his contestant.
- (c) Each contestant shall be allowed no more than three seconds, one of whom shall be designated the chief second, with the exception of a championship match in which four seconds are allowed. The chief second shall be in charge of the participant's corner and be responsible for the conduct of all seconds, and shall be held responsible for any violation committed by any second.
- (d) The chief second of any contestant shall have with him at the ringside the following articles:
  - (1) One stool;
  - (2) One pair of scissors;
  - (3) One towel;
  - (4) One clean water bucket;
  - (5) One container of drinking water;
  - (6) Tape and bandages; and
  - (7) Caustic to stop bleeding of minor cuts and lacerations.
- (e) First aid and other ring equipment of a second shall in all cases and at all times before, during, and after use, be available for inspection by the physician and the Division representative whose decision shall be final as to the propriety of its use.
- (f) Seconds shall not coach or in any way assist a contestant during a round, or by word or action attempt to heckle or annoy his contestant's opponent. Seconds shall remain seated in place and silent during the fight period of any round and shall not knock or pound on the ring floor.
- (g) A second shall not attempt to render aid to a contestant who has been counted out during the course of a match before the physician has examined the contestant.
- (h) If any second enters the ring during any fight period of any match, he shall be immediately ejected by the referee, and the referee shall order the match to continue.
- (i) The spraying of water on any fighter between rounds is prohibited.
- (j) Only one second is allowed in the ring. A second shall not enter the ring until the bell indicates the end of a round. He shall leave the ring at the sound of the timekeeper's whistle indicating the beginning of the next round is imminent. Prior to the beginning of each round, the entire ring platform and ropes shall be cleared of all obstructions, including buckets, stools, towels, and other articles; and none of these articles shall again be placed on the ring platform until the bell has sounded indicating the end of the round.
- (k) All seconds working a corner must wear rubber or latex gloves.
- (l) If a second leaves the designated corner area, his contestant shall be disqualified.

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