14B NCAC 10.0412 DUTIES OF PHYSICIANS

(a) A physician shall not have a financial or pecuniary interest in any contestant participating in a match in which the physician is acting as a ringside physician.

(b) At least one physician shall be present at each match and render service and assistance as provided for in the rules in this Chapter. A physician shall be located near each contestant's corner in a designated seat for the duration of each match. A match shall not be allowed to begin or continue unless at least one physician is in his designated seat.

(c) The physician shall provide medical assistance for any illness or injury sustained by any person under the jurisdiction of the Division.

(d) If, at any time during the match, the physician is of the opinion that a contestant has received severe punishment or injury, or that to continue the match would pose the threat of unreasonable harm or injury to a contestant, the physician shall advise the referee that the match should be terminated.

(e) If, in the opinion of the physician, the referee has received an injury, the seriousness of which prevents him from continuing to officiate, the physician shall notify the Division representative who shall temporarily halt the match. The injured referee shall be attended by the physician until he is no longer in danger or has been transferred to the care of another physician or emergency medical personnel.

(f) In the event of injury to or illness of any person under the jurisdiction of the Boxing Authority Section of the Division and while located on the premises where a program of matches is being conducted, the physician shall have complete charge of such person and shall be accorded the full cooperation of the Division representative and all licensees present.

(g) Whenever a knockout occurs in any match, the physician shall examine the contestant knocked out immediately after the match. In the event of a knockout or other injury, the physician shall remain on the premises to provide medical attention as needed. When the physician is satisfied that the injured or knocked out contestant has recovered to the extent that the physician releases the contestant from his care, he shall, prior to releasing him, instruct him as to the danger signs of which the contestant should be aware and which would indicate the need to seek immediate medical attention.

(h) The physician shall not leave the premises until after the decision in the final match has been rendered and he is satisfied that his services are no longer necessary.

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