

875—169.5(90A) Event license. A promoter may hold a mixed martial arts match, professional boxing match, or wrestling match only if the commissioner has issued an event license.

169.5(1) Application. The promoter shall submit a completed application for a license on the form provided by the commissioner.

a. For a professional wrestling event, the application shall be submitted at least seven days prior to the event and include each of the following:

(1) The promoter's name, address, telephone number and other contact information as requested by the commissioner;

(2) The event date, venue name, and venue address;

(3) A nonrefundable \$100 event license fee;

(4) The promoter's signature; and

(5) A bond as described in subparagraph 169.5(1)"b"(10).

b. For any other covered event, the application shall be submitted at least 60 days prior to the event and include each of the following:

(1) The date, time, type, and location of the event;

(2) The promoter's name, address, and contact information;

(3) One-half of the required event license fee;

(4) A copy of the medical license of the ringside physician or physician assistant;

(5) The date, time, and location for the weighing of the contestants;

(6) The emergency medical services company, and the security company;

(7) The name and contact information for the certified law enforcement officer who will attend the event;

(8) The date, time, and location of the ringside physician's or physician assistant's examination of the contestants;

(9) Certificates of insurance;

(10) A bond in the sum of \$5,000, payable to the State of Iowa, conditioned upon the payment of the tax and penalties imposed by Iowa Code chapter 90A, unless the promoter has a current valid bond on file with the department;

(11) The name and telephone number of the person designated to clean between rounds; and

(12) Other information requested by the commissioner.

169.5(2) Event license fees. The nonrefundable event license fee is \$100 for a professional wrestling event and \$450 for all other covered events. A professional wrestling promoter shall submit the event license fee with the event license application at least 7 days prior to the event. For all other covered events, the promoter shall submit one-half of the event license fee with the advance notice of the event at least 60 days prior to the event, and one-half of the event license fee with the event license application at least 7 days prior to the event.

169.5(3) Issuance. The decision to issue an event license is solely within the discretion of the commissioner. The following factors will be considered by the commissioner when deciding whether to issue an event license:

a. Date the promoter filed advance notice of event.

b. The promoter's prior compliance with Iowa Code chapter 90A and applicable rules.

c. Applications for conflicting events.

d. Ability of the commissioner to provide staff.

e. The promoter's history of canceling events.

f. Anticipated tax revenue.

g. Completeness of application package.

h. Whether the event is indoors or outdoors.

169.5(4) Revocation. When the commissioner finds that failure to provide adequate security to maintain public safety requires emergency action, the commissioner may immediately suspend the event license, pending license revocation procedures pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A.

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