By unanimous vote in an open meeting on August 19, 2021 the West Virginia Athletic Commission replaces WVAC Policy 121417-A originally adopted November 2, 2015 with amendments on December 14, 2017, August 9, 2018, February 14, 2019, and January 9, 2020 as follows:

1. Contestants for State Titles must have at least 5 professional fights. Female contestants must have at least 3 professional fights.
2. Male contestants for State Titles must have a winning record.
3. Contestants for State Titles must have competed within the previous twelve (12) months.
4. Contestants for State Titles must have had no penalties for un-sportsman-like conduct.
5. All WV State Title Fights will be held within the state of West Virginia.
6. Title fights will consist of 8 rounds for men and 6 rounds for women.
7. A State Title holder must defend the Title within twelve (12) months of the date on which the title was won or vacate the title.
8. At least one contender in each State Title Fight must be a resident of the state of West Virginia. Opportunity to challenge a West Virginia State Title must be offered to valid contestants residing in West Virginia before being offered to out of state fighters.
9. All contestants for State Titles will submit to testing for the presence of performance enhancing substances. A title holder who is found to be positive for the presence of such substances will be stripped of the title and that title will become vacant.

Further, Commissioners agree winners of State Titles will be awarded a belt which displays the official West Virginia State Seal.

This policy will remain in effect until rescinded or amended.
State Kickboxing Title Criteria

WVAC POLICY #081921-03


1. Contestants for Professional Kickboxing State Titles must have at least 5 professional fights. Female contestants must have at least 3 professional fights
2. Male contestants for State Titles must have a winning record.
3. Contestants for State Titles must have competed within the previous twelve (12) months.
4. Contestants for State Titles must have had no penalties for un-sportsman-like conduct.
5. All WV State Professional Kickboxing Title Fights will be held within the state of West Virginia.
6. Kickboxing State Title fights will consist of 7 rounds of 2 minutes each unless Muay Thai which shall consist of 5 rounds of 3 minutes each.
7. A State Title holder must defend the Title within twelve (12) months of the date on which the title was won or vacate the title.
8. At least one contender in each State Title Fight must be a resident of the state of West Virginia. Opportunity to challenge a West Virginia State Title must be offered to valid contestants residing in West Virginia before being offered to out of state fighters.
9. All contestants for State Titles will submit to testing for the presence of performance enhancing substances. A title holder who is found to be positive for the presence of such substances will be stripped of the title and that title will become vacant.

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Current as of 08/19/2021
State MMA Title Criteria

WVAC POLICY #081921-2


1. Contestants for Professional MMA State Titles must have at least 5 professional fights. Female contestants must have at least 3 professional fights.
2. Male contestants for State Titles must have a winning record.
3. Contestants for State Titles must have competed within the previous twelve (12) months.
4. Contestants for State Titles must have had no penalties for un-sportsman-like conduct.
5. All WV State Professional MMA Title Fights will be held within the state of West Virginia.
6. MMA State Title fights will consist of 5 rounds of 5 minutes each.
7. A State Title holder must defend the title within twelve (12) months of the date on which the title was won or vacate the title.
8. At least one contender in each State Title Fight must be a resident of the state of West Virginia. Opportunity to challenge a West Virginia State Title must be offered to valid contestants residing in West Virginia before being offered to out of state fighters.
9. All contestants for State Titles will submit to testing for the presence of performance enhancing substances. A title holder who is found to be positive for the presence of such substances will be stripped of the title and that title will become vacant.

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