

Drug Testing Combatants

WVAC POLICY #081921-2

By unanimous vote in an open meeting on August 19, 2021 the West Virginia Athletic Commission adopts the following policy.

1. In order to ensure the safety of all contestants and to protect the integrity of professional, semi-professional, and amateur boxing, the Commission herein prohibits the use of alcohol, any “controlled substance” as defined under Chapter 60A of the West Virginia Code, **or any performance enhancing drug** by any licensed contestant while participating in an event regulated by the Commission.
2. Contestants in any event sanctioned by the West Virginia Athletic Commission may be subject to random drug testing for performance enhancing substances and/or any illegal “controlled substance” as defined under the code. A contestant testing positive for such substance will be disqualified and may be subject to disciplinary and/or legal action.
3. All contestants for State Title fights will be tested for the presence of performance enhancing substances. Contestants testing positive will be disqualified from competition. Any title holder testing positive for such substances will be stripped of the title and suspended from competition for one (1) year from the date of the positive test.

This policy will remain in effect until rescinded or amended.