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UNARMED COMBAT SPORTS REFEREE LICENSE APPLICATION INFORMATION

For UCS program information visit the UCS webpage, <https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/UnarmedCombatSports/Default.aspx>. Application applies to Boxing, Kickboxing, Mixed Martial Arts, and Muay Thai contests (events).

License requirements:

1. Application and Fee(s): Apply and pay fees online in LicensE, <https://license.wi.gov>. If needed, you can save your application and submit it later. The license fee is \$15.00 per year (i.e., 1 year-\$15.00, 2 years-\$30.00, etc.).
2. You must be eighteen (18) years of age or older.
3. Qualifications: Are located in Wis. Admin. Code § [SPS 192.08](#). The Department will determine whether an applicant possesses the knowledge and experience necessary to hold a license as a referee by reviewing ONE or more of the following:
 - A. A certificate of a referee's training program from another state, other regulating bodies such as the Association of Boxing Commissions, and other organizations that have a referee's training program certified by the Association of Boxing Commissions or another association recognized by the Department.
 - B. A resume with 3 professional references that can verify the number of years of experience as a referee along with a log of experience.
 - C. Valid and current license as a referee from another state or organization.
 - D.
 - i. A passing grade on an examination administered by the Department that tests the examinee's knowledge, and successful completion of the trial judge program under Wis. Admin. Code § [SPS 192.08\(3\)\(d\)2](#).
 - ii. The trial referee program administered and supervised by the Commissioner, inspector, or Department representative shall consist of all of the following:
 - a) Observing unarmed combat sports events.
 - b) Shadowing a licensed referee at unarmed combat sports events.
 - c) Officiating, on a trial basis, as a referee during an unarmed combat sports event under the supervision of the Commissioner, inspector, or Department representative.
4. Referee Medical Examination Report (required): Upload completed [Referee Medical Examination Report](#) into your [LicensE](#) account.

Requests for additional information may appear in your [LicensE](#) Due Diligence list after your application has been reviewed by the Department.