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AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: **99-650**

AGENCY NAME: **Combat Sports Authority of Maine** (an independent public instrumentality of the State created by 8 M.R.S. Chapter 20)

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:** None

**EXPECTED 2017-2018 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

**Revisions of Current Rules Regulating Boxing and Mixed Martial Arts, Parts 1 & 2:**

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 8 M.R.S. §523

PURPOSE OF THE RULES: The rules regulate the conduct of mixed martial arts and boxing events and the certification of event participants. The Authority has determined that amendments to its rules are necessary in order to correct certain errors, ambiguities, and omissions; to ensure internal consistency; and, to ensure compliance with current governing law and generally accepted practices. The Authority expects to add additional requirements for certification and regulation of fighters and promoters, to clarify procedures for medical assessments of fighters, and to strengthen regulation of fighters’ use of performance-enhancing and other prohibited substances. Rulemaking may include promulgation of rules regarding fees for certification and/or rules regarding fees and other financial responsibilities for event promotion.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Completion anticipated in 2017-2018

AFFECTED PARTIES: Authorized participants in mixed martial arts and boxing competitions

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: In addition to entertaining comments pursuant to the *Administrative Procedure Act*, the Authority may consult with interested persons but does not expect that it will be necessary to initiate formal consensus-based rulemaking pursuant to 5 M.R.S. §8051-B.