



Songahm Martial Arts Inc.

**A TEXAS AMATEUR COMBATIVE SPORTS ASSOCIATION  
STANDARD OF CONDUCT / CONTESTANT GUIDELINE  
2014**

## INTRODUCTION

This document details the rules, regulations and by-laws for Songahm Martial Arts Academy.

- ⤴ Amateur Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) is a combination of various martial art disciplines, wrestling and grappling techniques used in amateur competition, to impose one fighter's will upon his or her opponent. A combatant will use techniques approved by these rules to win by knockout, submission, or decision.
  
- ⤴ An amateur full contact striking contest is a combative event that is comprised of boxing, kickboxing, Taekwondo, Karate and Muay Thai techniques. In this event two competitors attempt to achieve dominance over one another and secure a victory via a decision, an actual knockout or a technical knockout.

**All rules stated herein, apply to mixed martial arts (MMA) and Kick Boxing contests approved by Songahm Marital Arts Academy Inc.**

**Songahm Martial Arts Inc. does not permit the use of its ACSA license by another entity.**

## REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

Contestants will be required to register with Songahm Martial Arts Inc. a minimum of 30 days prior to participating in a Songahm Martial Arts Inc. Amateur event. Each contestant will be required to download, print and complete the necessary membership paperwork. All required documentation, mailing address and fax number can be found online via our public organizational website at: <http://www.atasma.com> .

Contestants must complete and provide all of the following to Songahm Martial Arts Inc. offices no later than 48 hours prior to participating in a Songahm Martial Arts Inc. sanctioned event:

- ⤴ Complete and submit the Amateur Combative sports Contestant Registration form
- ⤴ Initial affidavit ensuring amateur status (below)
- ⤴ Amateur Combative Sports Contestant Registration form
- ⤴ Medical results as required by Medical Requirements
- ⤴ Signed coach's affidavit stating contestant meets minimum training requirements
- ⤴ A valid copy of a Drivers License or Government Issued ID with photo
- ⤴ Songahm Martial Arts Inc. competitors must be at least 18 years of age. Competitors age 17 but not yet 18 may be issued an Songahm Martial Arts Inc membership with a notarized written consent from a parent or guardian.

## AMATUER STATUS

All contestants will be required to initial affidavit on amateur registration form stating that he or she is an amateur and that he/she has not competed as a professional before. The affidavit must be submitted along with the medical requirements to Songahm Martial Arts Inc. in order to complete membership registration.

## MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

All Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestants will be required to be certified as fit by a by a doctor of medicine (MD) or doctor of osteopathy (DO). To be declared “fit to compete” the following elements must be established prior to competition:

- (1) No high blood pressure or chest pain.
- (2) No history of dizziness or chronic headaches.

The comprehensive medical examination must also include proof that within the last six months all contestants’ medical examination results indicate that the contestant is

- ⤴ free of the Hepatitis C virus,
- ⤴ free of the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), and
- ⤴ not acutely or chronically infected with the Hepatitis B virus by testing the Hepatitis B surface antigen for a non-reactive result, or by other medically acceptable testing procedure that establishes the absence of Hepatitis B infectivity.
- ⤴ Normal eye examination by an ophthalmologist or optometrist
- ⤴ Graded exercise EKG and EEG beginning at age 36.

**A positive Hepatitis C, or human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) test, or a positive Hepatitis B surface antigen test or other indication of Hepatitis B infectivity will result in disqualification.**

The results of the above requirements must be submitted to Songahm Martial Arts Inc. in order to complete an approved membership registration and to participate in Songahm Martial Arts Inc. sanctioned events. The medical requirements qualifying a contestant will only be valid for a period of six months from medical exam date.

Each contestant shall submit on a TDLR approved form signed by an examining physician and an examining ophthalmologist or optometrist proof of having passed a comprehensive medical examination within 6 months of the date the application is signed. Examining physicians, optometrists, and ophthalmologists must be licensed by a state, district or territory of the United States of America.

As a condition of registration, contestants waive right of confidentiality of medical records relating to treatment or diagnosis of any condition that relates to the contestant’s ability to participate in a contest. All medical records submitted to TDLR are confidential and shall be used only by TDLR or his/her representative for the purpose of ascertaining the contestant’s ability to be registered or participate in a contest.

Medical disqualification of a contestant is for his own safety and may be made at the recommendation of the examining physician. If a contestant disagrees with a medical disqualification, medical suspension or rest period set at the discretion of a ringside physician or a disqualification set by the Department, he may request a hearing to show proof of fitness. The hearing shall be provided at the earliest opportunity after TDLR receives a written request from the contestant.

## COMPETITON REQUIREMENTS

Once a contestant has met the registration requirements to the satisfaction of Songahm Martial Arts Inc., Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will submit to TDLR the given name(s), DOB, and all medicals requirements of contestant(s) for official entry into TDLR Amateur database. Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestant medical

requirements will be valid for a period of 1-year from the date posted with “TDLR” the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.

- ✦ Registration does not automatically authorize an individual to participate in a Songahm Martial Arts Inc. event.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will require all contestants to complete and resubmit the contestant registration form with all the medical requirements to continue as an active participant.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. members must provide all the documentation required for initial membership, with the exception of:

- ✦ Have coach sign affidavit stating contestants meets minimum training requirements

Only after contestant registration form including medical requirements have been updated and approved, a Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestant may continue to compete in a Songahm Martial Arts Inc. event until his/her membership expiration date.

## TRAINING PERIOD

Each Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestant will be required to have trained in at least one Mixed Martial Arts discipline for a minimum of 4 cumulative weeks prior to registering with Songahm Martial Arts Inc. Each contestant that participates in a Songahm Martial Arts Inc. event may be represented by a coach. Songahm Martial Arts Inc. reserves the right to approve or deny coaches.

Training must include but is not limited to the following:

- ✦ All contestants must train at least 2 days a week for one hour for 4 cumulative weeks
- ✦ All contestant must have at least three (3), three (3) minute rounds of sparring
- ✦ All contestants must complete at least two (2) sessions of Cardiovascular (cardio) conditioning for at least nine (9) minutes per sessions. Cardio conditioning will improve the efficiency of your heart, lungs, and circulatory system through continuous effort that elevates the heart rate. The sustained movement is also great for increasing endurance. Cardio conditioning can be but is not limited to:

- Stationary Bike riding
- Elliptical machine
- Treadmill walking
- Yoga
- Pilates

- ✦ All contestant must have at least four cumulative (4) hours of a traditionally ground based martial art training (i.e. Judo, Jiu-Jitsu, Sambo, and/or Greco-Roman wrestling / Collegiate wrestling) and a traditionally stand up martial art training (i.e. Tae Kwon Do, Karate, Kung Fu, and/or Muay-Thai)

Once Songahm Martial Arts Inc. has authorized an individual as a coach, he/she will be allowed to sign an affidavit ensuring that his/her fighter meets the above requirements. The coach’s signed and dated affidavit must be submitted to Songahm Martial Arts Inc. in order to complete membership registration.

## EVENTS

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will bear all financial responsibility for the event.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will obtain written approval from TDLR for all proposed event dates, ticket prices, and participants of the main event, at least 21 days before the proposed event date and obtain written approval from TDLR to promote the event prior to advertising or selling tickets.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will obtain written approval from TDLR for the fight card at least 10 working days before the event date. The request shall contain the full legal name, date-of-birth, weight, previous fight record, and number of rounds to be fought for each contestant. In addition, TDLR may require submission of certified birth certificates or other official evidence of identification.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will ensure that all advertising concerning an event to be conducted indicates that it is an amateur event, and includes the name of the ACSA that will conduct the event.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will ensure the safety of the contestants, officials, and spectators. A sufficient number of uniformed security personnel shall be retained to maintain order.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will assure that beverages are only allowed in paper or plastic cups at the event.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will provide no less than two private dressing rooms of adequate size for the contestants and their licensed seconds, and separate dressing rooms for male and female contestants. Only working TDLR employees, contract inspectors, physicians, licensed seconds will be allowed in the dressing rooms.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will assure that no alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs are in the dressing room.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall set up the Technical Zone according to TDLR instructions. There shall be a pre-fight plan and route to remove an injured contestant from the ring and arena. Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall inform TDLR of these plans. The plan shall include the name and location of a local hospital emergency room.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. at mixed martial arts events shall hang at least 2 video screens that meet the approval of TDLR and which allow the patrons to view the action inside the enclosed fighting area or ring.

## TICKETS

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall submit a sworn inventory to TDLR of tickets delivered to any outlet or event sponsor. The inventory shall account for any known overprints, changes, or extras.

- ⤴ Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall submit to TDLR no later than the official weigh in a certified ticket print invoice of tickets printed per ticket face value.

Tickets shall not be sold for more than the actual capacity of the location where the event is held. All tickets shall be torn in half and one half returned to the ticket holder at the entrance gate. The other half shall be immediately deposited in a sealed container, where it is to remain until TDLR's representative witnesses the opening of the container. No one shall pass through the gate without having their ticket torn or shall occupy a seat unless holding a ticket half or have a working pass or credential with a specific seat

assignment indicated on them. Passes and or credentials may not be sold or bartered.

If a main event or special added attraction is postponed or cancelled for any reason, Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall promptly refund ticket sales. A special added attraction is the appearance of any person or persons at any combative sports event whose reputation or ability is calculated to increase attendance. Tickets in the hands of ticket services shall be returned to Songahm Martial Arts Inc. not later than when the box office at the combative sports event site has closed.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall hold tickets of every description used for any event for at least 30 days after the event. The tickets shall be kept in separate packages for each event for audit purposes.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall be responsible to pay the gross receipts tax for complimentary tickets issued in excess of 25%.

Gross receipts shall be calculated as 3% of the face value of all tickets sold plus 3% of the face value of all complimentary tickets issued in excess of 25%.

Tickets shall be accounted for after the event and TDLR's representative may review the process, and may check the number of gate ticket containers and their seals or padlocks.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall submit to TDLR a tax report and a 3% gross receipts tax payment within three business days after an event.

In the event of a TDLR audit of a tax report authorized by §2052.152, of the Texas Occupations Code, a person subject to the financial audit shall make available used tickets, deadwood and additional exhibits to TDLR in the form and at a time established by the executive director, or his designee.

## **WEIGHT DIVISIONS**

**Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will have the following weight divisions:**

Division	Minimum Weight	Maximum Weight
Flyweight	Up to 125 lbs.	
Bantamweight	126 lbs.	135 lbs.
Featherweight	136 lbs.	145 lbs.
Lightweight	146 lbs.	155 lbs.
Welterweight	156 lbs.	170 lbs.
Middleweight	171 lbs.	185 lbs.
Light Heavyweight	186 lbs.	205 lbs.
Heavyweight	206 lbs.	245 lbs.
Super Heavyweight	246 lbs.	& Over

## **WEIGH-IN**

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall assure that the weigh-in takes place at a specific time and location set by Songahm Martial Arts Inc. and approved by TDLR, generally between the hours of 2 p.m. of the day before the contest and before 12 p.m. noon the day of the contest. TDLR must be notified ten days before the event.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. requires all contestants to submit a completed TDLR "Contestant Identification Card Application" and required fee prior to the weigh in.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestants shall report to the weigh-in at the scheduled time with a National MMA ID card and a valid and approved identification card with photo. There is only one scheduled weigh-in time. Any contestant that fails to show up at the specified weigh-in time may be disqualified from the contest and may face additional penalties.

Every contestant shall undergo a pre-fight physical examination. If a contestant's physical exam shows the contestant unfit for competition, the contestant shall not participate in the contest.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestants may not perform under any name that does not appear in TDLR records.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will provide at least one registered physician and a private area to conduct pre-fight physicals. Only the contestant, his chief second, the ringside physician, and TDLR representatives are allowed in the examination room during the physical.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. female contestants shall submit to a pregnancy test at weigh-in and will be disqualified by a positive pregnancy test.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will ensure that a physician's scales or TDLR approved digital scale must be used for weighing-in contestants. TDLR may require that the scales be certified.

If in an attempt to make weight, a contestant shows evidence of dehydration, having taken diuretics, or other drugs, or having used any other harsh modality, TDLR shall disqualify the contestant on the advice of the examining physician.

In the event that a contestant fails to make the required agreed weight the contestant will have till the scheduled end of weighing-in to meet the allowances and be reweighed. Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will allow all contestants the following weight allowances:

Weight (lbs.)	Allowances (lbs.)
Up to 112 lbs.	3 lbs.
113 – 118 lbs.	4 lbs.
119 – 126 lbs.	5 lbs.
127 – 135 lbs.	6 lbs.
136 - 147 lbs.	8 lbs.
148 – 160 lbs.	10 lbs.
161 – 175 lbs.	12 lbs.
176 – 200 lbs.	15 lbs.
Over 201 lbs.	No limit

No contestant may engage in a contest where the weigh-in weight difference between contestants exceeds the allowance shown in the "WEIGHT ALLOWANCE" schedule.

## CLASS OF COMPETITION

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will promote competition for both male and female competitors. At no time will ABC allow a contest between a male and a female.

## CONTEST REQUIREMENTS

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall schedule no less than 6 or more than 15 bouts for each MMA event.

MMA events will consist of a maximum of three (3) three minute (3) rounds with a one (1) minute rest between rounds. Championship contests may consist of five (5), (3) minutes rounds with a one minute rest between rounds.

Muay Thai events *contests* will be scheduled for no more than five (3) three-minute rounds with two-minute rest periods.

Kickboxing matches shall not exceed nine (2) two-minute rounds with a one-minute rest period between rounds. TDLR may however permit an additional two rounds for championship events.

<b>Event Type</b>	<b>Rounds</b>	<b>Rest Period</b>
Non-Title Amateur MMA	(3) 3-minute	1-minute between each round
Title Amateur MMA	(5) 3-minute	1-minute between each round
Non-Title Muay Thai Amateur	(3) 3-minute	2-minute between each round
Title Muay Thai Amateur	(5) 3-minute	2-minute between each round

Each Songahm Martial Arts Inc. event will consist of two opposing contestants, referees (2), judges (3), time keepers (2) and physicians (2). Officials assigned to work ABC events will be licensed with TDLR. In addition, each fighter may bring two "licensed seconds" (a coach, trainer, contestant and/or cut-man) to ringside. Only one second is permitted in the cage area.<sup>3</sup>

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will ensure that the judges' chairs shall be high enough that their shoulders shall be no lower than the ring floor. Physician ringside seats shall be in the neutral corner(s).

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. requires all contestants and licensed seconds to attend a rules meeting to be conducted by the referees before the first bout of the event.

## SCORING

A majority vote of the judging officials decides the outcome of the contest.

Scoring shall be recorded only on TDLR-approved form. Once the form is completed, checked and signed by the official it must be given directly to the TDLR supervisor for the event. Scoring forms are the property of TDLR and will be



maintained in the official records of the event.

All rounds will be scored using a 10-point must system. Judges are required to determine a winner for each round. 10 points will be awarded to the winner, 9 points or less to the loser.

Judges will evaluate a contestant's performance based upon the use of legal MMA techniques; including effective striking, effective grappling, successful takedowns, submission attempts and fighting area control.

**The following techniques are considered fouls and restricted in all MMA events:**

- (a) Any knee strikes to the head of grounded opponent
- (b) Any elbow strikes
- (c) Heel hooks and toe holds are not allowed
- (d) Any reinforced (while in the clinch) knee strikes to the head of a standing opponent

The following techniques are considered fouls and restricted in all SCORING INCLUDING

- Head Butts.
- Kicks, punches or any strikes to the groin.
- Spitting or biting.
- Striking or grabbing the throat area.
- Grabbing the trachea.
- Kicking to the head of a grounded opponent.
- Hair pulling.
- Engaging in any unsportsmanlike conduct that causes an injury to an opponent.
- Attacking on the break.
- Attacking after the bell has sounded.
- Intentionally pushing, shoving, wrestling, or throwing an opponent out of the fight area.
- Holding the fence or the ropes.
- Using abusive language in the fighting area.
- The use of any foreign substances on any contestant's hair, body or equipment.
- Eye gouging of any kind.
- Fish Hooking.
- Putting a finger into any orifice or into any cut or laceration on an opponent.
- Small joint manipulation.
- Striking to the spine or the back of the head.
- Clawing, pinching, or twisting the flesh.

- Grabbing the clavicle.
- Stomping a grounded opponent.
- Kicking to the kidney of a grounded opponent with the heel.
- Spiking an opponent to the canvas on his head or neck.
- Holding the shorts or gloves of an opponent.
- Flagrantly disregarding the instructions of the referee.
- Attacking an opponent who is under the care of a referee.
- Timidity, including without limitation, avoiding contact with an opponent, intentionally or consistently dropping the mouthpiece or faking an injury,
- Throwing in the towel during competition.
- Interference by the corner.

Muay Thai is competition in which a person utilizes punches, elbows, and knees. It is permissible to strike an opponent's legs, arms, body, face, and head using the shin, knee, gloved fist or elbow. Spinning back fist blows are allowed, so long as contact is made only with the padded part of the glove.

Each Kickboxing contestant must execute a minimum of six kicks during each round. If either fighter does not do so, he will automatically lose the round. If both contestants fail to execute the minimum number of kicks by the end of a round, the round is declared a draw. In any match of nine or more rounds, if either fighter fails to execute the minimum number of kicks in any three rounds, he automatically loses the fight. In a non-title fight, if either fighter fails to execute the minimum number of kicks in any two rounds, he loses the fight.

A judge will at all times during a contest will maintain focus on the contest even during rest periods. In order to maintain focus, judges will not engage in distractions including but not limited to: eating, talking, taking photographs, or carrying materials not related to the contest.

### **CONTESTANT ATTIRE**

Each contestant will be required to wear shorts, board shorts or any fighting trunks of their choice. Trunks may have drawstring and no zippers.

Each contestant must be clean and present a tidy appearance. The use of grease or any other foreign substance, including, without limitation, grooming creams, lotions or sprays, may not be used on the face, hair or body of a contestant. The referee or the Songahm Martial Arts Inc.'s representative shall cause any foreign substance to be removed.

Only females' contestants are allowed to wear shirts.

All contestants must wear mouthpiece.

Male contestants must wear groin protector.

Females' contestants must wear an approved pelvic guard and may wear a breast protector.

### **CONTESTANT GLOVES /WRAPS**

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. requires each contestant to wear Songahm Martial Arts Inc. authorized Competition

Gloves. All contestants will be provided with Songahm Martial Arts Inc. approved competition gloves.

New gloves must be used for all main events. If gloves used in preliminary contests have been used before, they shall be whole, clean, in sanitary condition, and subject to inspection by the referee and TDLR representatives. Any gloves found unfit shall not be used and must be replaced with acceptable gloves. There shall be extra sets of gloves on hand to be used in case gloves are broken or in any way damaged during a contest.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. authorized gloves will be dual function all leather gloves for amateur competition.

MMA contestants will be provided with Songahm Martial Arts Inc. approved competition gloves

- Open palm for maximum grip
- Quad-layer foam system for the highest level of safety
- Gloves weighing not less than 4 oz.

**Contestants who wear gloves may wrap hands in a manner approved by TDLR and Songahm Martial Arts Inc.**

Hand wraps shall be restricted to no more than twenty yards of soft gauze, not more than two inches wide. The gauze shall be held in place by no more than eight feet of adhesive tape, no more than one and one-half inches wide. The adhesive tape shall not cover any part of the knuckles when the hand is clenched to make a fist. The use of water, or any other liquid or material, on the tape is strictly prohibited. Hand wraps shall be applied in the dressing room in the presence of a TDLR inspector.

All Muay Thai contestants will be provided with ABC approved competition gloves

- ✦ Contestants must wear gloves weighing not less than 8 oz.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will ensure that new gloves will be used for all main events. If gloves used in preliminary contests have been used before, they shall be whole, clean, in sanitary condition, and subject to inspection by the referee and TDLR representatives. Any gloves found unfit shall not be used and must be replaced with acceptable gloves. There shall be extra sets of gloves on hand to be used in case gloves are broken or in any way damaged during a contest.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will ensure that that in each contestants corner an appropriate receptacle for spitting, a clean water bucket for the contestant's use, and at least three chairs or stools to be used by the contestant's official seconds.

## **CONTESTANT/SECONDS CONDUCT**

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. requires that all contestants and seconds/corner-men to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times. Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestants and seconds/corner-men must recognize and adhere to all instructions, laws and rules as stated by Songahm Martial Arts Inc., TDLR and Referees.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. competitors are allowed to have only 2 seconds/corner-men cage side and a maximum of 3 corner-men in the dressing room.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. requires all contestants be respectful of Songahm Martial Arts Inc., TDLR and referees should a dispute arise concerning the application of any law, rule or instruction.

The administration or use of any drugs, alcohol, stimulants, or injections in any part of the body, either before or during a bout to or by a contestant is prohibited unless a drug is prescribed, administered or authorized by a licensed physician and TDLR authorizes the contestant to use the drug. If a contestant is taking prescribed or over the counter medication, he/she must inform TDLR of such usage at least 24 hours prior to the bout.

All Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestants are prohibited from using any performance and enhancing drugs. Songahm Martial Arts Inc. may require upon request random drug testing ensuring compliance.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestants will refrain from profanity and derogatory language when competing in a Songahm Martial Arts Inc. event.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc contestants will respect others, including coaches, teammates, competitors, officials and spectators.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestants will ensure that they are in optimal shape and fitness to ensure athletic performance.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. contestants shall be in the dressing room at least 60 minutes before the event is scheduled to begin. The contestants shall be ready to enter the ring/cage immediately after the preceding contest is finished.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. requires that all seconds/ corner-men submit a completed TDLR application and required fee prior to the weigh in, in order to work any contestant's corner.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. requires that all seconds/corner-men abide by all the rules and regulations set forth by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, Combative Sports Division Administrative Code 61.43.

## **MEDICALS/ CLAIMS**

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall provide insurance and pay all deductibles for contestants, to cover medical, surgical and hospital care with a minimum limit of \$50,000 for injuries sustained while participating in a contest and \$100,000 to a contestant's estate if he dies of injuries suffered while participating in a contest. At least ten calendar days before an event Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall provide to TDLR for each event to be conducted, a certificate of insurance showing proper coverage. Songahm Martial Arts Inc. shall supply to those participating in the event the proper information for filing a medical claim.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will provide / supply to all contestants in the event the proper information for filing medical claims. All medical claims forms will be made available by Songahm Martial Arts Inc.. Any injuries sustained during a Songahm Martial Arts Inc. event, must be claimed by submitting a medical claim within 14 calendar days of the event.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will provide two ringside physicians registered by the department. All contestants who participate in a Songahm Martial Arts Inc. event shall be required to receive a post exam after a match and automatically receive medical suspensions/rest period as recommended by the ringside physicians.

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will ensure all emergency medical personnel and portable equipment shall be located within the TECHNICAL ZONE during the event. There must be a resuscitator, oxygen, stretcher, a certified ambulance, and an emergency medical technician on site for all contests. TDLR may require additional

medical personnel and equipment depending on the number of matches scheduled.

## EXPENSE ALLOWANCES

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. may provide hotel, accommodations and meals only for fighters who are traveling from an area more than 100 miles from the event. The following are the expense allowances Songahm Martial Arts Inc. may provide for out-of-town amateur contestants:

Hotel	Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will arrange lodging only for fighters traveling from out of town from a distance of more than 150 miles from their registered home of record. Fighters will be required to provide a credit or debit card at check in. Fighters will be responsible for all lodging incidentals.
Meals	Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will provide one meal on day of weigh-in and one pre-fight meal for fighters only.
Fuel Reimbursement	Songahm Martial Arts Inc. will pay fighters only a mileage rate of 0.25/mile for distances traveled beyond 100 miles from their registered home of record, with a maximum payout of \$150.00. Fighters that travel together will only receive payment for one vehicle. Payment will be made after a successful weigh-in to the fighters only.

## RULE ADOPTION

Songahm Martial Arts Inc. and its members will at all times adhere to all rules and regulations promulgated by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (“TDLR”) in sections 61.106, 61.107, 61.108, 61.111 and 61.112 of the Administrative Rules related to Mixed Martial Arts. Songahm Martial Arts Inc. agrees to amend these rules whenever necessary to reflect the most current rules as adopted by the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation and to notify its members of any rule changes.

## REFERENCES

### **Laws: Combative Sports Occupational Code**

(<http://www.license.state.tx.us/sports/sportslaw090107.pdf>)

### **Rules: Combative Sports Administrative Rules**

(<http://www.license.state.tx.us/sports/sportsrules.htm>)