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Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3773-6-06 Procedures and methods for termination of bouts. Effective: May 16, 2005

(A) At the referee's discretion or upon the recommendation of the ringside physician, the referee shall discontinue the contest if a contestant is unable to continue and the decision shall be awarded to the opponent.

(B) If a contestant is knocked down three times in any one round, the contest shall be stopped at that point and the decision awarded to the opponent.

(C) A standing eight count will be in effect.

(D) When a boxer has been knocked down by a legitimate punch, he shall be required to take a mandatory count of eight whether or not they have regained their feet. The other contestant shall retire to the farthest neutral corner and remain there until the count is completed. Should the opponent fail to remain in the neutral corner, the referee shall cease counting until the opponent has returned to the neutral corner and the referee shall pick up the count from where they left off.

(E) If a contestant is unable or refuses to continue when the bell sounds to begin the next round, a technical knockout (TKO) decision shall be awarded to the opponent in the round started by the bell.

(F) A contestant who is down and rises before the count of ten is reached and goes down immediately without being struck, the referee shall resume the count where it was left off.

(G) If the contestant taking the count is still down when the referee calls the count of ten, the referee shall wave both arms to indicate that the contestant has been knocked out. The referee's count is the official count.

(H) Contestant who has been knocked or fallen through the ropes and over the edge of the ring platform during a contest cannot be assisted back into the ring. The referee shall start the count immediately and if the contestant does not re-enter the ring within twenty seconds, the referee shall



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stop the contest and the decision shall be awarded to the opponent.

(I) A contestant who goes down without being struck and stays down shall be disqualified.

(J) The bell cannot save a contestant in any round including the last round.

(K) During the rest period between rounds, a contestant or second may request the referee to summon the physician or the referee may summon the physician for the purpose of ascertaining the physical condition of the contestant. In the event the physician determines the contestant should not continue, the referee shall stop the contest and the decision shall be awarded to the opponent.