



## Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3773-6-08 Fouls and penalties.

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(A) A referee may disqualify a contestant, or award a round to his opponent, if any of the following major fouls are committed:

- (1) Hitting an opponent who is down or attempting to get up on his feet;
- (2) Using a knee against an opponent;
- (3) Purposely going down without being hit;
- (4) Failing to heed a referee's warning concerning any fouls.
- (5) Dangerous or unsportsmanlike conduct in the ring;
- (6) Low blow(s).

(B) A referee may warn a contestant, or award a round to his opponent, if any of the following minor fouls are committed:

- (1) Holding an opponent;
- (2) Hitting with the inside or butt of the hand, wrist or elbow;
- (3) Back-hand punches;
- (4) Blows below the belt;
- (5) Hitting an opponent with an open glove;



(6) Wrestling at the ropes;

(7) Deliberately punching at that part of the body over the kidneys;

(8) Hitting on the break.

(C) A contest shall not be terminated by an accidental low blow. If a contestant receives an accidental low blow, the referee shall stop the contest and shall ask the fouled contestant if they are able to continue; or at the referee's discretion may give the fouled contestant up to five minutes for recovery. If the fouled contestant does not accept to continue the contest after the time period for recovery is over, the contestant will lose by abandonment.

(D) The referee may disqualify a contestant if the contestant continues to intentionally foul disregarding the referee's warning and after deducting points at least three times for the same foul.