



State Based registration

Purpose:

To clarify eligibility for the purposes of state-based registration.

Scope:

This policy applies to all contestants, industry participants and contests pursuant to the *Combat Sports Act 1987* (Act).

Legislative Background:

In Australia, each state and territory is responsible for the registration of combat sport participants. The registration requirements differ for each state and territory. Some jurisdictions (NT, QLD and TAS) do not require any registration, whilst others (ACT, NSW, SA, VIC and WA) mandate state-based legislative requirements.

In Western Australia it is an offence, under the Act, for a person to participate in a combat sport contest if the person is not registered. “Contestants” and “industry participants” must be registered with the WA Combat Sports Commission (Commission) if participating in a “contest” as defined by the Act.

Process:

As the WA combat sports legislation is only applicable in the State of Western Australia, the Commission’s registration process is only available to those participating in a WA based contest.

A person who is competing, conducting or participating in a combat sports contest in WA, whose principal place of residence is:

- WA - must seek registration with the Commission.
- NT, QLD or TAS - may seek registration with the Commission once listed on a Part 2 contest permit that has been submitted by a registered promoter.
- ACT, NSW, SA or VIC - must seek registration with their own state-based regulator and will not be registered by the Commission but will be eligible for Automatic Mutual Recognition upon notification.
- Outside Australia - must seek registration with the Commission or be registered under a law, outside the state, which substantially corresponds with the purpose of the WA legislation.

If a person makes a permanent move to WA, they will need to apply for a WA registration but will not be eligible for registration by the Commission until such time as a WA residential address can be supplied.



A person who is currently registered outside of WA but relocating to WA is advised to notify the Commission but will not be required to register with the Commission until such time as their out of state registration expires.

For more information contact the Commission on:

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