



- Policy Title:** Clearances to be accepted – persons exempt from registering with the Combat Sports Authority of NSW (CSA)
- Created/Revised:** December 2014
- Approved:**
- Summary:** The policy outlines the requirements in relation to the CSA accepting clearances for combatants from interstate and overseas.
- Policy Statement:** The policy details when clearances may be accepted and the considerations made by the CSA in its determination of whether to accept a clearance.
- Background:** Combatants registered in other jurisdictions are required to demonstrate to the Authority that they have met the requirements of NSW legislation prior to being cleared to contest in this State.
- Applicability:** Combatants residing interstate and overseas wishing to compete in NSW.
- Requirements:**

<b>Registration status</b>	<b>Clearance</b>
Resident of NSW	No clearances acceptable – must register with the Combat Sports Authority of NSW
Non-resident of NSW registered with an equivalent Australian regulatory body	The equivalent Australian regulatory body must issue a clearance confirming the person is registered, fit to compete and serology clearance is valid
Australian resident from a state in which there is no equivalent Australian regulatory body	No clearances are acceptable. Must register with the CSA or an equivalent Australian regulatory body and obtain a clearance confirming the person is registered, fit to compete and serology clearance is valid
Overseas	<p>An overseas body regulatory body, or a national or international sporting organisation must issue a clearance confirming the person may engage in a combat sport contest of the kind intended</p> <p>The combatant must provide the Authority with a certificate of fitness given by a medical practitioner in the approved form and current serology clearance that was obtained within Australia in the 6 months (12 months under 18 years) prior to the contest</p>

**Procedure:** As part of determining if a clearance should be accepted, the staff member processing the clearance will undertake a check to ensure that the clearance should be accepted.

**Check types:**

<b>Check</b>	<b>Procedure</b>
Name	The person named in the clearance is the same as on the fight-card.
Regulatory Body	The clearance is from a recognised equivalent Australian Regulatory Body being the WA Combat Sports Commission, the Professional Boxing and Combat Sports Board of Victoria or South Australian Boxing and Martial Arts Authority.  Or  An overseas body regulatory body, a national or international sporting organisation that is pertinent to the type of contest proposed.
Currency	The clearance is current and covers the date on which the contest is proposed.
Overseas combatants	A certificate of fitness given by a medical practitioner in the approved form and current serology clearance that was obtained within Australia in the 6 months (12 months under 18 years) prior to the contest has been provided to the Authority. These certificates are in the name of the combatant named on the fight card and in the clearance.

**Related documents:** Combat Sports Act 2013  
Combat Sports Regulation 2014