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Appendices

Appendix I

Formal Interview Questions for Female Muay Thai competitors

How old are you?

Where is your home village/town?

How many brothers and sisters do you have?

Are you the oldest or youngest in your family?

What work do your parents do?

Where did you go to school?

What grade did you complete?

How old were you when you left school?

Please describe yourself? (Physically and psychologically)



When did you become interested in Muay Thai?

Are there other people in your family who do Muay Thai?

Did you know any other women in Muay Thai when you started to train?

Are there any women in your family who are involved in Muay Thai?

What did your friends think when you chose to train in Muay Thai?

When did you start training in Muay Thai?

Did your family support your participation in Muay Thai (financial or moral)?

Who is your coach?

Have you had the same coach throughout your career?

Please describe your coach?

How many fights have you had?

What are your results?

Where were the fights located? Town/place

What have been the benefits of Muay Thai for you?

What is your Muay Thai dream?

Has anyone ever discouraged you from doing Muay Thai?

If so for what reason?

What would you do if you did not do Muay Thai?

How much money can you make in Muay Thai?

What do you do with your money?

Have you ever done any other work for pay?

Why are there separate rings for male and female fighters?

Have you ever trained in the same ring as the men?

What do you think of the need for two rings for male and female fighters?

Has this affected you in training and competition opportunities?

What do you think of the opportunities for female fighters?

Who is your role model in life?

What do you do with your free time?

What are your plans for the future?

What is the ideal woman?



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