

## Bernard Hopkins vs Chad Dawson

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Fight night is here at Staples Center in Los Angeles, Ca!

Bernard "The Executioner" Hopkins 53-5-2, 32 knockouts, defends the light heavyweight title against Bad Chad Dawson 30-1, 17 knockouts.

Hopkins officially weighed in at 173.4 Dawson came in at 174.2. The Executioner will attempt to defy the odds again against a young hungry challenger. According to odds-makers, Dawson is a

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slight favorite to win.

Dawson walks into the ring first wearing a navy blue robe. Bad Chad weighs 187, Hopkins in red and green, weighs 185 tonight. Mr. Hopkins is wearing the famous black executioner mask.

As Buffer goes through the fight ritual, Dawson stands calmly and Hopkins paces the ring.

Fighters are introduced. It's fight time!

Round 1

Dawson fights behind the jab. Action is slow early. Hopkins landed a good lead right hand followed by a few punches in a clinch in the first minute. Dawson looks more active but Hopkins seems is finding his range. As expected, Dawson fights behind the jab. He throws a good four punch combo. But Hopkins is controlling the pace.

Hopkins 10-9

Round 2

Dawson is looking for the left hand counter. He slipped to the canvas in the second minute. Referee did not rule it a knockdown. This is a defensive fight for both combatants. Hopkins landed a good right cross. Dawson picked Hopkins up and threw him to the canvas. Hopkins is down and seems hurt. The action has stopped. Dawson is frustrated. Hopkins indicts that his left shoulder is badly hurt. The fight is over. Action has stopped.

The ref says there is no foul. There is confusion in the ring. Referee calls the bout a technical knockout because of an injury. Nothing has been officially confirmed.

Buffer announces that Chad Dawson wins by technical knockout. Dawson is the new light

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