



Former World Champion Shawn Porter Withdraws from Bout With Thomas Durlorme Scheduled for Mayweather vs. McGregor Preliminary Bouts on FOX & FOX Deportes

Welterweight Contender Yordenis Ugas Replaces Porter & Will Face Former Title Challenger Dulorme

***Saturday, Aug. 26 From T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas
FOX & FOX Deportes Begins Live at 7 p.m. ET/4 p.m. PT
Four-Fight SHOWTIME PPV Telecast Begins at 9 p.m. ET/PT***

LAS VEGAS (August 17, 2017) - Former world champion and top welterweight contender "**Showtime**" **Shawn Porter** has pulled out of the welterweight battle against former title challenger **Thomas Dulorme** that headlines the Mayweather vs. McGregor preliminary bouts presented by Mayweather Promotions on FOX and FOX Deportes Saturday, Aug. 26 from T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas.

Porter withdrew from the match due to personal reasons, which included a death in his family.

Top welterweight challenger and 2008 Olympic bronze medalist **Yordenis Ugas** (19-3, 9 KOs) will replace Porter and now take on Dulorme (24-2, 18 KOs) in the main preliminary bout on FOX and FOX Deportes.

"On behalf of Mayweather Promotions we send our prayers and deepest condolences to the Porter family," said Leonard Ellerbe, CEO of Mayweather Promotions. "In boxing we have to deal with curveballs that constantly come at us. Thomas Dulorme has been training hard and is ready to face Yordenis Ugas. Ugas is a tough competitor that shouldn't be overlooked, and Dulorme is ready. The fight fans are definitely in for an outstanding show between Dulorme and Ugas come Aug. 26."

"I have been training for this fight for a several weeks now, I knew at the-time Porter was going to be a tough challenger so I took training camp extremely serious," said Dulorme. "Fighting on a card this big, you cannot doubt anyone in front of you. My new opponent doesn't change much. All I can do is continue to stay focused and listen to my team and bring the best fight I can."

"It's an honor to be fighting on one of the biggest boxing cards in history and fighting in the same ring as one of the most famous boxers in the world - Floyd Mayweather," Ugas said. "This is the type of fight that I've been looking forward to having since I came back last year after being off for almost three years. This will be my fifth fight in a year. And this is the second fight that I've taken on short notice this year. But it doesn't bother me because I'm always training. Dulorme is a tremendous fighter. He's very aggressive and very technical. He's going to get my very best as I know I will get the very best from him. It's really an honor to fight a quality opponent on a card like this."

Saturday's coverage begins on FOX and FOX Deportes with a one-hour Prefight Show at 6 p.m. ET/3 p.m. PT. Prelims on FOX and FOX Deportes begin at 7 p.m. ET/4 p.m. PT and leads directly into the Mayweather vs. McGregor event that will be produced and distributed by SHOWTIME PPV beginning at 9 p.m. ET/6 p.m. PT.

The action on FOX and FOX Deportes will include a 10-round battle between unbeaten prospects **Juan Heraldez** (12-0, 8 KOs) and **Jose Miguel Borrego** (13-0, 12 KOs).

Representing Puerto Rico, by way of French Guiana, Dulorme last fought in January when he stopped Brian Jones in the sixth-round to pick up his second straight win after the 27-year-old had previously challenged Terrence Crawford for a vacant world title in 2015. Prior to his title opportunity, Dulorme picked up impressive victories over Hank Lundy, Karim Mayfield and DeMarcus Corley. He will look to make a statement on his way to another world title opportunity with a win against Ugas.

Ugas will enter the ring for the third time in six months when he faces Dulorme on Aug. 26. The 31-year-old Ugas, a bronze medal winner for the Cuban team in the 2008 Beijing Olympics, has been on an impressive four-fight roll that started last year when he scored a decision victory over then unbeaten Jamal James and followed it up by stopping then unbeaten Bryant Perrella in the fourth round. Ugas continued to take down contenders in 2017 as he defeated Levan Ghvamichava by decision on Feb. 2 before stepping in at the last minute two months later to stop Nelson Lara.

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