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## COMPLIANCE TO THE RULES

These AIBA Technical & Competition Rules are the only Technical & Competition Rules worldwide which AIBA National Member Federations, boxing members, clubs and family must follow and respect in any of their competitions in accordance to activities at all levels. No National Federation may develop own Technical & Competition Rules that are contradictory to the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules.

## DEFINITIONS

**“AIBA”** means the International Boxing Association;

**“AIBA Controlled Events”** means AIBA Approved Events solely managed by AIBA as described in Appendix C;

**“AIBA Approved Events”** means boxing competitions which are approved and/or endorsed by AIBA. AIBA allows the use of its logo and provides AIBA Officials to manage these events as described in Appendix C;

**“Bout”** means a boxing match;

**“Confederation”** means a group of National Federations recognized by AIBA belonging to the same continent;

**“Daily Weigh-In”** means that each entered Boxer is required to weigh-in each day on which this Boxer is due to box to ensure that the actual weight on that day does not exceed the maximum of the Boxer's registered weight class;

**“Delegation”** means participating Team Members including Boxers, Coaches, Team Doctors and Team Managers in any competition;

**“Draw Commission”** means a group of minimum two persons who will draw the R&Js for each bout in any competition;

**“Dual Match”** means a competition featuring Boxers from two countries only;

**“Field of Play (FOP)”** means the competition area which extends for at least 6 meters outside the platform of the ring;

**“Gloves”** means equipment that you wear on your hands in order to protect them during the competition;

**“Headguard”** means equipment that you wear on your head in order to protect it during the competition;

**“ITO”** means the International Technical Officials appointed by AIBA excluding R&Js such as the Competition Jury, the Draw Commission and the Medical Jury members, the R&J Coordinator and the Equipment Manager;

**“Judge”** means someone who allocates points during a bout based on each Boxer's performance on the ring in respect of the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules;

**“National Federation”** means any federation that is admitted into membership of AIBA by the Congress, hence becoming a Member of AIBA;

**“Official Draw”** means the ceremony to draw the Boxers to decide the bout schedules in each weight category;

**“Participating Boxer”** means any Boxer licensed by a National Federation that is a Member of AIBA; the term Boxer refers to Boxers of both sexes;

**“Referee”** means someone ensuring that the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules are followed by the Boxers during their bout;

**“Team Officials”** mean the Team Managers, Coaches and Doctors of a team entered by a National Federation in any competition excluding Boxers;

**“Technical Delegate”** means a person who is appointed by AIBA or by a Confederation to be responsible for all technical related issues in any competition;

**“WSB”** means the boxing competition named World Series of Boxing solely recognized as an AIBA Approved Event

# RULES FOR COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

## RULE 1. CLASSIFICATION OF BOXERS

### 1.1. Age Classification

- 1.1.1. Men and Women Boxers between the ages of 19 - 34 are categorized as Elite Boxers.
- 1.1.2. Boys and Girls Boxers between the ages of 17 to 18 are categorized as Youth Boxers.
  - 1.1.2.1. Youth Boxers are permitted to participate in Elite Boxers' competitions as per Rules applicable to Elite Boxers.
- 1.1.3. Boys and Girls Boxers between the ages of 15 to 16 are categorized as Junior Boxers.
- 1.1.4. The age of a Boxer is determined using his/her year of birth.
- 1.1.5. All competitions related to school age boys and girls as well as all other younger age Boxers are managed only at National Federation and at Confederation levels. The age of the Boxers shall not be over 14 years old. The range of the ages of the Boxers participating in these competitions shall not be more than 2 years.

### 1.2. Weight Classification<sup>1</sup>

- 1.2.1. For Elite Men and Youth Boxers (Boys):
  - 1.2.1.1. Ten (10) Weight Categories as follow:  
46 kg - 49 kg, 52 kg, 56 kg, 60 kg, 64 kg, 69 kg, 75 kg, 81 kg, 91 kg, 91+ kg.
- 1.2.2. For Elite Women and Youth Boxers (Girls):
  - 1.2.2.1. Ten (10) Weight Categories as follow:  
45 kg - 48 kg, 51 kg, 54 kg, 57 kg, 60 kg, 64 kg, 69 kg, 75 kg, 81 kg, 81+ kg
  - 1.2.2.2. For Elite Women 3 Weight Categories for the Olympic Games shall apply as follow:  
48 kg to 51 kg, 57 kg to 60 kg, 69 kg to 75 kg
- 1.2.3. For Junior Boxers (Boys and Girls):
  - 1.2.3.1. Thirteen (13) Weight Categories as follow:  
44 kg - 46 kg, 48 kg, 50 kg, 52 kg, 54 kg, 57 kg, 60 kg, 63 kg, 66 kg, 70 kg,  
75 kg, 80 kg and 80+ kg.

<sup>1</sup>Terminology for each Weight Category can be found in Appendix K.

## **RULE 2. ELIGIBILITY OF BOXERS**

### **2.1. Nationality**

- 2.1.1. Any Boxer participating in AIBA Approved Events must be a national of the country of the AIBA National Federation participating in such competitions.
- 2.1.2. For all disputes taking place during World Championships, Olympic Games, World Cup, President's Cup and any other AIBA and Confederation approved level events, the final decision on determining the nationality lies with the AIBA Executive Committee.
- 2.1.3. If a Boxer wishes to change nationality, this Boxer can enter any AIBA Approved Event as a participant of the changed National Federation after three (3) years from the change of Boxer's nationality.
- 2.1.4. If a Boxer, after having represented one National Federation in any AIBA Approved Event, is also a national of two or more countries simultaneously, this Boxer shall select only one National Federation to enter AIBA Approved Events. In this case, once the Boxer selects one National Federation, this Boxer shall not enter any AIBA Approved Event as a participant of the changed National Federation for three (3) years.
- 2.1.5. For the determination of the three (3) years period, AIBA shall develop a database of all Boxers to trace their competition records. Any Host Federation and Organizing Committee should be able to send the final entries to AIBA in order to receive a confirmation on the nationality and eligibility status of any Boxer prior to any competition. However, until the database is completed, the nationality shall be checked through the passport, Boxer's Competition Record Book and/or membership card and/or any previous AIBA Approved Event results.
- 2.1.6. Prior to the competition, the AIBA HQs Office shall confirm the nationality and eligibility of the Boxer. However, during the competition, any dispute will be resolved by the Technical Delegate and then will be ratified by the AIBA HQs Office.

### **2.2. One Entry per Weight Category**

- 2.2.1. For all boxing competitions including AIBA Controlled and Approved Events such as World Championships, Olympic Games, World Cup, President's Cup, Continental Championships, Olympic Qualifying Events and Confederation Controlled and Approved Events, only one Boxer per Weight Category per country shall be allowed to compete.

### **2.3. Medical Aspects of Qualification for Boxers**

#### **2.3.1. Medical Certification**

- 2.3.1.1. A Boxer shall not be allowed to compete in an international competition unless this Boxer possesses an International Competition Record Book in which this Boxer must be certified as fit to box by a qualified Doctor of Medicine approved by the presiding AIBA Medical Jury member. The International Competition Record Book is valid if it is completely filled in, up to date and the annual Medical Examination is not older than one year.
- 2.3.1.2. On each day the Boxer will be required to box, the Boxer shall be certified as fit to compete by a qualified Doctor of Medicine who shall be approved by the National Federation under whose jurisdiction the competition is taking place, or during the Olympic Games, World Championships, World Cup, President's Cup and AIBA Challenge Matches, by the AIBA Medical Commission.

- 2.3.1.3. A Boxer should respect a minimum rest period of 12 hours between two (2) bouts.
- 2.3.2. Boxer with Allowed Handicap
  - 2.3.2.1. Refer to current Medical Handbook for allowed handicaps.
- 2.3.3. Prohibited Conditions - The Boxers with the following prohibited conditions are not allowed to enter any AIBA Approved Event:
  - 2.3.3.1. If a Boxer wears a dressing on a cut, wound abrasion, laceration or blood swelling on the scalp or face including the nose and ears. For the case of a Boxer with abrasion or laceration, no dressing other than Collodion or Steri-Strip is allowed. The decision should be made by the Doctor examining the Boxer on the day the Boxer is competing.
  - 2.3.3.2. A Boxer shall be clean-shaved before all Medical Examinations. Beards and moustaches are not allowed. No type of body piercing and no body accessories are permitted to be worn during a bout.
  - 2.3.3.3. In all AIBA Approved Events, pregnant Boxers are not allowed to participate in the competition and must sign a declaration of non-pregnancy and/or present a medical certificate before the Medical Examination.
  - 2.3.3.4. No Boxer with an implanted device which uses electricity or any substance which may alter bodily function shall be permitted to box.
  - 2.3.3.5. Refer to the Medical Handbook for other prohibited conditions.
- 2.3.4. Medical Certification following Probation Periods - Before resuming boxing after any of the periods of rest prescribed in the three Rules 2.3.6.1, 2.3.6.2, 2.3.6.3, a Boxer must be certified by the Boxer's Physician to be able to take part in competitive boxing.
- 2.3.5. Referee Stop Contest - Head blow (RSCH) - The Referee will indicate to the Jury members and Judges to annotate the score with "RSCH" when the Referee has stopped the contest as a result of a Boxer being unable to continue due to blows to the head. 'RSCH' is a term to be used only when a Boxer is being saved from a Knock-Out after having received hard head blows making the Boxer defenseless and incapable of continuing (the term RSCH is not to be used when a Boxer is simply outclassed and is receiving too many scoring hits without scoring).
- 2.3.6. Protective Sanitary Measures
  - 2.3.6.1. One Knock-Out or RSCH - A Boxer who has been knocked out or given an RSCH decision as a result of head blows during a contest or wherein the Referee has stopped the contest due to the Boxer having received hard blows to the head making this Boxer defenseless or incapable of continuing, shall not be permitted to take part in competitive boxing or sparring for a period of at least 30 days after the Boxer has been knocked out or given an RSCH decision.
  - 2.3.6.2. Two Knock-Outs or two RSCH - A Boxer who has been knocked out as a result of head blows during a contest or wherein the Referee has stopped the contest due to a Boxer having received hard blows to the head making this Boxer defenseless or incapable of continuing twice in a period of 90 days, shall not be permitted to take part in competitive boxing or sparring during a period of 90 days from the second Knock-Out or RSCH.
  - 2.3.6.3. Three Knock-Outs or three RSCH - A Boxer who has been knocked out as a result of head blows during a contest or wherein the Referee has stopped the contest due to the Boxer having received hard blows to the head making this Boxer defenseless or incapable of continuing three times in a period of 12 months, shall not be allowed to take part in competitive boxing or sparring for

a period of 360 days from the third Knock-Out or RSCH.

- 2.3.6.4. Each Knock-Out suffered as a result of a head blow and each RSCH must be recorded by the Medical Jury in the Boxer's International Competition Record Book.
- 2.3.6.5. If a Boxer has been knocked out or received a severe head blow which results in a bout being terminated, the Ringside Doctor will classify the seriousness of the concussion and prescribe the medical restriction period as follows:
  - 2.3.6.5.1. In the event of no Lost of Consciousness (LOC), a minimum restriction of 30 days
  - 2.3.6.5.2. In the event of LOC for less than one (1) minute, a minimum restriction of 90 days
  - 2.3.6.5.3. in the event of LOC more than one (1) minute, a minimum restriction of 180 days
  - 2.3.6.5.4. Any Boxer who suffers a second LOC within three (3) months of resuming boxing after a first LOC will have the previous medical restriction doubled
  - 2.3.6.5.5. Any Boxer who suffers three (3) LOCs within 12 months will be suspended for a minimum of 360 days from the date of the third LOC
  - 2.3.6.5.6. Any Boxer who has a medical restriction must not train or spar during the restricted period.
- 2.3.6.6. All protective measures should also apply if a Knock-Out and/or concussion occurs during training or anywhere else. The Coach shall be responsible to report to the National Federation.
- 2.3.6.7. If one Boxer is knocked-out by a blow after "break" or "stop" and is counted "out", the win by disqualification does not permit this Boxer to continue boxing in the competition.
- 2.3.6.8. Injured Boxers may be restricted from boxing at the discretion of the Medical Jury.
- 2.3.6.9. Boxers returning from RSCH – Knock-Out injuries must receive clearance in writing from their national medical commission and inform the AIBA HQs Office before returning to box.
  - 2.3.6.9.1. If the country does not have any national medical commission, the clearance should be required from the AIBA Medical Commission.

#### 2.4. WSB Boxers in AIBA Competitions

- 2.4.1. All WSB Boxers shall be allowed to participate in the Olympic Games and Olympic Qualifying Events at all levels as well as to designated important events.
- 2.4.2. All Boxers who have also been involved in any professional boxing or any other professional combat sport than boxing shall not be permitted to compete in any AIBA and/or WSB competitions at any level.



### **RULE 3. REGISTRATION OF BOXERS FOR COMPETITIONS**

#### **3.1. Validity of Documents**

The following are mandatory documents and material that any Boxer entering any AIBA Approved Event must possess:

- 3.1.1. Passport - The nationality and date of birth of the Boxer will be checked.
- 3.1.2. Boxer's Competition Record Book - The authenticity of Boxer's update of medical and membership status will be checked.
- 3.1.3. Accreditation Card - The Boxer should prove his/her registered status in a competition by presenting a valid accreditation card.

### **RULE 4. MEDICAL EXAMINATION**

- 4.1. At the time fixed for the Weigh-In, the Boxer must be considered as fit to compete and examined by a Physician appointed by a member of the Medical Jury before being weighed-in. With a view to ensure a smooth running of the Weigh-In, the Technical Delegate may decide to begin the Medical Examination at an earlier time. The Chairperson of the Medical Jury can select local or Team Doctors to assist with the duties of the Medical Jury only for the Medical Examination.
- 4.2. At the Medical Examination and Weigh-In, an up-to-date Competition Record Book with correct information must be presented by the Boxer. This Competition Record Book must be signed and/or stamped by the Secretary General or Executive Director of the Boxer's National Federation, where the requisite entries shall be made by the Officials in charge. If a Competition Record Book is not presented by the Boxer at the Medical Examination and Weigh-In, this Boxer shall not be allowed to compete.
- 4.3. Gender Test - For AIBA Approved Events, a gender test can be done.

### **RULE 5. WEIGH-IN**

#### **5.1. In AIBA Approved Events**

- 5.1.1. All entered Boxers must attend the General Weigh-In in the morning of the first competition day, except as described in article 5.1.2.
- 5.1.2. In AIBA Approved Events, when the number of entered Boxers exceeds 300 after the final entry deadline is closed and for the Olympic Games, the General Weigh-In may be organized no more than 24 hours prior to the Medical Examination of the first competition day based on the Technical Delegate's decision.
- 5.1.3. In any case, the time from the end of the General Weigh-In to the start of the first bout should not be less than 6 hours. The time from the end of the Daily Weigh-In to the start of the first bout of the remaining days of competition should not be less than 3 hours.

The Technical Delegate reserves the right to relax this condition, if unavoidable circumstances occur and after consultation with the Chairperson of the Medical Jury.
- 5.1.4. The Weigh-In shall be conducted by Officials authorized by the Technical Delegate. A Team Official of the National Federation of the Boxer may be present at the Weigh-In; however, and in any circumstance, the Team Official is not allowed to interfere in the process of Weigh-In.

- 5.1.5. For the General Weigh-In, the registered Boxer's weight should not exceed the maximum of the Boxer's weight class nor be below the minimum of the Boxer's weight class which will also apply to the Daily Weigh-In. The weight registered at the General Weigh-In on the first day decides the Boxer's weight class for the entire competition, but this Boxer will still be required to weigh-in each day on which this Boxer is due to box in order to ensure that the actual weight on that day does not exceed the maximum of the Boxer's registered weight class.
- 5.1.6. Scale - The weight is the one shown on the scale, the body being naked except for a swimming suit or underwear. When necessary, the Boxer may take off the underwear on the scale only. Electronic scales may be used. Trial scales used at the tournament and official Weigh-In scales have to be of the same manufacturer and of the same calibration.
- 5.1.7. The Weigh-In must be conducted by Officials of the same gender.

## **RULE 6. SUBSTITUTION OF BOXERS AT GENERAL WEIGH-IN**

- 6.1. A Boxer will be allowed to be present at the official scales only once at the first Medical Examination and General Weigh-In. The weight recorded on that presentation is final.
- 6.2. If the General Weigh-In is not yet closed, It is permissible, however, for the Team Official of the National Federation of any Boxer who has failed to make it into the weight category at the General Weigh-In to enter this Boxer thereupon for the higher or lower Weight Category for which this Boxer is qualified if such National Federation has a free place in that Weight Category, and the General Weigh-In is not yet closed.
- 6.3. It is also permissible for a National Federation to substitute one Boxer for another at any time up to the close of the Medical Examination and General Weigh-In provided that in any competition where reserves are permitted, the substitute Boxer has been entered as reserve for that Weight Category, or any other Weight Category.
- 6.4. This rule is only applicable for open Championships where reserved Boxers are permitted.
- 6.5. All other cases of substitution shall be finalized the day before the General Weigh-In.

## **RULE 7. THE OFFICIAL DRAW**

- 7.1. The Official Draw shall take place as soon as possible after the official Medical Examination and General Weigh-In. It shall be completed no less than three (3) hours prior to the first bout on the first day of the competition.
- 7.2. The Official Draw shall not be held more than 3 hours after the completion of the Weigh-In at the exception of Rule 7.3., and if the General Weigh-In is organized the morning prior to the first competition day. At least one Team Official of each participating Delegation must attend the Official Draw.
- 7.3. However, subjected to Rule 5.1.2., the Official Draw shall be held one day before the competition.
- 7.4. A computerized draw system is to be used in all AIBA Approved Events, except for the Olympic Games and World Championships where a manual draw may be conducted. In case the computerized draw system is not working, a manual system can be used.
- 7.5. Possible Re-Draw - In any case, until the last Weight Category draw is completed, if there is any mistake or unavoidable circumstance taking place, the Technical Delegate has the right to order that weight draw to be done again.
- 7.6. Byes - In the event there are more than two Boxers, a sufficient number of byes shall be drawn in the first series in order to reduce the number of Boxers in the second series to 2, 4, 8, 16 or 32.

Boxers drawing a bye in the first series shall box in the second series, but in the order in which they were drawn.

- 7.7. The Technical Delegate must ensure, where applicable, that no Boxer shall box twice in the competition before all other Boxers of the same Weight Category have boxed at least once. In special situations, the Technical Delegate has the right to relax this rule.
- 7.8. Bout Schedule - At the Olympic Games, World Championships and Continental Championships, the bout schedule should be arranged in the order of weights so that in each series, the lightest weights will be run off first and thereafter in order of weights up to the heaviest weights in that series followed by the lightest weights in the next series, and so on. In arranging the schedule of the Semi-Finals and Finals of these Events, the wishes of the Organizing Committee may be accommodated by the Technical Delegate, as long as the results of the draw are not called into question.
- 7.9. Seeding Procedure – It shall respect the seeding procedure for the Draw Ceremony (i.e. Appendix E) and be in accordance with the World Ranking Guidelines (i.e. Appendix D).

## **RULE 8. DURATION AND NUMBER OF ROUNDS**

- 8.1. In all AIBA Elite Men and Youth Boys competitions, the bouts shall consist of three (3) rounds of three (3) minutes each.
- 8.2. In all AIBA Elite Women and Youth Girls competitions, the bouts shall consist of four (4) rounds of two (2) minutes each.
- 8.3. In all AIBA Junior Boys and Girls competitions, the bouts shall consist of three (3) rounds of two (2) minutes each.
- 8.4. For all above listed events, the rest time between rounds is one (1) minute.

## **RULE 9. THE DECISIONS**

- 9.1. Win on Points
  - 9.1.1. The winner on points will be the Boxer who has the highest Total Score at the end of the bout as described in Appendix L.
- 9.2. Win by Retirement
  - 9.2.1. If a Boxer retires voluntarily due to an injury or if a towel is thrown in the ring by a Second, or if the Boxer fails to resume boxing immediately after the rest between rounds, the opponent shall be declared the winner.
- 9.3. Win by Referee Stopping Contest (RSC)
  - 9.3.1. Outclassed - RSC is a term used to stop a bout when a Boxer is outclassed or is unfit to continue. If a Boxer, in the opinion of the Referee, is being outclassed or is receiving excessive punishment, the bout shall be stopped and the opponent shall be declared the winner.
  - 9.3.2. RSC Injury
    - 9.3.2.1. If a Boxer, in the opinion of the Referee/Doctor, is unfit to continue because of injury sustained from correct blows or other action or is incapacitated for any other physical reason, the bout shall be stopped and the opponent declared the winner by RSC. In the case where Boxers are injured at the same time, the Boxer with the higher score shall be declared the winner.

- 9.3.2.2. The right to make this decision rests with the Referee who may consult with the Medical Jury.
- 9.3.2.3. When a Referee calls a Doctor into the ring to examine a Boxer, only these two Officials should be present. No other person should be allowed into the ring or on the apron.
- 9.4. Win by RSCH
  - 9.4.1. If a Boxer is unfit to continue and fails to resume boxing after this Boxer has received hard blows to the head, the opponent shall be declared the winner by RSCH.
- 9.5. Win by Disqualification
  - 9.5.1. If a Boxer is disqualified before any bout starts, the opponent of the disqualified Boxer shall be declared the winner.
  - 9.5.2. In case a Boxer is disqualified after winning the 1st bout in the preliminaries, the opponent who lost against the disqualified Boxer has the right to return into the competition only in case the next bout has not started.
  - 9.5.3. A Boxer disqualified for any unethical behavior or disciplinary matters shall not be entitled to any prize, medal, trophy, honorable award, or grading, relating to any stage of the competition in which this Boxer has been disqualified and the misconduct should be reported to the Disciplinary Commission.
- 9.6. Win by Knock-Out
  - 9.6.1. If a Boxer is "down" and fails to resume boxing after this Boxer is counted out to ten, the opponent shall be declared the winner by Knock-Out.
- 9.7. "No Contest"
  - 9.7.1. A bout may be terminated by the Referee inside the scheduled distance owing to some material happening outside the responsibility of the Boxers, or the control of the Referee, such as the ring becoming damaged, the failure of the lighting supply, exceptional weather conditions, etc. In such circumstances, the bout shall be declared "No Contest" and in the case of Championships, the Technical Delegate shall decide the necessary further action.
- 9.8. Win by Walk-Over
  - 9.8.1. When a Boxer is present in the ring fully attired for boxing and this Boxer's opponent fails to appear after having been called out by the public address system, the bell has sounded and a maximum period of one minute has elapsed, the Referee shall declare the first Boxer to be the winner by Walk-Over. The Referee shall first inform the Competition Jury and then shall summon the Boxer to the center of the ring and after the decision is announced, raise this Boxer's hand as the winner.
    - 9.8.1.1 No medal shall be awarded to a Boxer who has not boxed at least once within the entire competition period.
- 9.9. Decision in Case of a Draw
  - 9.9.1. The procedure of the decision in case of a draw is described in Appendix L.
  - 9.9.2. The final winner in each weight category shall be nominated in all AIBA Approved Events.
  - 9.9.3. Only in Dual Matches, a draw decision may be awarded. Likewise, an injury in the first round may result in a draw in Dual Matches.
- 9.10. Incidents in the Ring outside the Control of the Referee

- 9.10.1. If something happens that does not allow the bout to continue within one minute after the bell has rung for the beginning of the first, second, or third round (in case of 4 round bouts), e.g. power failure, the bout shall be stopped and the Boxers will box again in the last bout of the same session.
- 9.10.2. If the incident occurs in the last round of a bout, the contest shall be terminated and the Judges are asked to give a decision as to the winner of the bout.
- 9.10.3. If the bout cannot be resumed to box at the end of the same session, it will be moved to the beginning of the next session before the original schedule. If the next session is on the following day, the Boxers shall be weighed and medically examined again for the bout.
- 9.10.4. If bouts must be stopped and can be resumed, the score will be recorded and taken over to the time to resume the bout.

#### 9.11. Protests

- 9.11.1. A protest shall be submitted by the Team Leader or by the person having the highest position in the Team Delegation no later than 30 minutes after the completion of the bout. Any protest shall be against the decision(s) of the Referee and/or Judges of the bout.
- 9.11.2. The protest shall be made in writing and handed to the Chairperson of the Competition Jury specifying definitive and clear reasons for the protest.
- 9.11.3. The protest fee is US\$ 500. An administrative fee of US\$ 100 will be deducted from this amount and the remaining amount will be refunded if the protest is upheld. If the protest is rejected, the entire fee will not be returned to the protester.
- 9.11.4. The Chairperson of the Competition Jury has the right to refuse the protest(s). In the case where the protest is accepted by the Chairperson of the Competition Jury, the evaluation shall be conducted only by members of the Competition Jury involved in the bout and immediately after the session is completed. The Chairperson of the Competition Jury shall inform the result of the evaluation and report to the Technical Delegate immediately. The Technical Delegate will immediately inform both Team Leaders verbally and thereafter in writing but no later than the Weigh-In and Medical Examination of the next day.
- 9.11.5. A video recording of the protested bout(s) will be used to analyze the bout(s) in all AIBA Approved Events.
- 9.11.6. A protest during the Finals of a competition should be notified within 5 minutes of completion of the bout.
- 9.11.7. In the case of a protest during the Finals of a competition, the Award Ceremony will be postponed until the results of the evaluation are announced.

### **RULE 10. AIBA SCORING SYSTEM**

- 10.1. The AIBA Scoring System shall be used in competitions at all levels including all AIBA and Confederation Approved Events and National Events.
- 10.2. In case the AIBA Scoring System is being used, no Judges' score sheets shall be kept. All information required for making up decisions is recorded by the computer and, at the end of the contest, printed out automatically.

10.3. If the AIBA Scoring System becomes defective, the procedure shall be as follows:

The Chairperson of the Competition Jury shall stop the bout for one (1) minute. If, during that period the system cannot be repaired, the score at the time of the breakdown will be saved and the five (5) Judges shall use handheld scoring devices and record the bout for the rest of its duration on scoring paper. At the end of the contest, the Chairperson of the Jury shall collect the scoring paper from the five (5) Judges, add on the scores from the AIBA Scoring System up to the breakdown and, after examination by the Competition Jury, the winner should be announced accordingly. If the AIBA Scoring System cannot be repaired, then the Competition Jury can decide to continue the session / competition allowing the Judges to score the bouts with handheld scoring devices and bout scoring paper.

10.4. In all AIBA Approved Events and the Olympic Games, the AIBA Scoring System shall be operated by persons selected by AIBA and the use of an electronic scoring machine is compulsory.

10.5. In all AIBA Controlled Events, the review camera is a mandatory integral part of the AIBA Scoring System.

10.6. Display of Scores

The spectators and corners will be able to see the scores on a screen; however, the Referee, the five Judges and the Medical Jury should not be able to see the scores during the bout.

10.6.1. In all AIBA Approved Events and the Olympic Games, the use of a public display system is compulsory.

## **RULE 11. SCORING POINTS**

11.1. Valid Scoring Points

11.1.1. During each round, a Judge shall assess the respective scores of each Boxer according to the number of scoring blows obtained. Each blow, to have a scoring value, must, without being blocked or guarded, land directly with the knuckle part of the closed glove of either hand on any part of the front or sides of the head or body above the belt. Swings landing as above described are scoring blows.

11.1.2. The awarding of a point shall follow the principle of one point for every correct blow.

11.2. Non-Valid Scoring Point

11.2.1. No extra point shall be awarded for a Knock-Down.

## **RULE 12. FOULS**

12.1. Type of Fouls

12.1.1. Hits below the belt, hitting, tripping, kicking, pulling & hitting and butting with foot or knee.

12.1.2. Hits or blows with head, shoulder, forearm, elbow, throttling of the opponent and pressing with arm or elbow in the opponent's face, pressing the head of the opponent back over the ropes.

12.1.3. Hits with an open glove, the inside of the glove, wrist or side of the hand.

12.1.4. Hits landing on the back of the opponent, especially any blow on the back of the neck or head and kidney punch.

- 12.1.5. Pivot blows.
  - 12.1.6. Attack whilst holding the ropes or making any unfair use of the ropes.
  - 12.1.7. Lying on, wrestling and throwing in the clinch.
  - 12.1.8. An attack on the opponent who is “down” or who is in the act of rising.
  - 12.1.9. Holding or locking of the opponent’s arm or head, or pushing an arm underneath the arm of an opponent.
  - 12.1.10. Ducking below the belt of the opponent in a manner dangerous to the opponent.
  - 12.1.11. Completely double passive defense and intentionally falling, running, or turning the back to avoid a blow.
  - 12.1.12. Inappropriate, aggressive, or offensive utterances during the round.
  - 12.1.13. Not stepping back when ordered to break.
  - 12.1.14. Attempting to strike the opponent immediately after the Referee has ordered “break” and before taking a step back.
  - 12.1.15. Assaulting or behaving in an aggressive manner towards a Referee at any time.
  - 12.1.16. Spitting out gumshield (teeth protector).
  - 12.1.17. Keeping the advanced hand straight in order to obstruct the opponent’s vision.
- 12.2. Cautions, Warnings, Disqualifications
- 12.2.1. The Boxer who does not obey the instructions of the Referee, acts against the Rules of boxing, boxes in any unsportsmanlike manner, or commits fouls, can, at the discretion of the Referee, be cautioned, warned or disqualified. If a Referee intends to warn a Boxer, he shall stop the contest, and demonstrate the infringement. The Referee will then point to the Boxer and to each of the five Judges. A Referee having once administered a warning for a particular foul, i.e. holding, cannot issue a caution for the same type of offence. A third caution for the same type of foul will mandatorily require a warning to be issued. Only three warnings may be given to the same Boxer in one contest. The third warning brings automatic disqualification.
- 12.3. When a Boxer receives a warning by the Referee which the majority number of Judges concurs was warranted, then the warned Boxer’s opponent will have two (2) points added to the score by the Judges pressing the appropriate button on the pad of the AIBA Scoring System.
- 12.4. If the Referee has any reason to believe that a foul has been committed which the Referee has not seen, the Referee may consult the Judges.
- 12.5. Boxers shall shake hands before the beginning and after a bout. Any further shaking of hands during the bout is prohibited.
- 12.6. If a Boxer’s gumshield falls down for the first time, a caution will be given by the Referee. Thereafter, every time the gumshield falls down, a warning will be issued. In the case where the gumshield is out of the Boxer’s mouth, the Referee shall take the Boxer to the Boxer’s corner, have the gumshield washed and returned to its proper position. While this is being done, the Second is not allowed to talk to the Boxer.
- 12.7. If the Boxer intentionally spits out his/her gumshield, an immediate warning shall be issued.



## **RULE 13. BOXER DOWN**

### **13.1. Definition of “Down”**

- 13.1.1. If the Boxer touches the floor with any part of the body other than the Boxer’s feet as the result of a blow or series of blows.
- 13.1.2. If the Boxer hangs helplessly on the ropes as the result of a blow or series of blows.
- 13.1.3. If the Boxer is outside or partly outside the ropes as the result of a blow or series of blows.
- 13.1.4. If following a hard punch the Boxer has not fallen and is not lying on the ropes, but is in a semi-conscious state and cannot, in the opinion of the Referee, continue the bout.

### **13.2. Counts during “Down”**

- 13.2.1. In the case of a Knock-Down, the Referee shall immediately begin to count the seconds. When a Boxer is “down”, the Referee shall count from one to eight if the Boxer is ready and count from one to ten if the Boxer is continuously down with intervals of a second between the numbers, and shall indicate each second with the fingers in such a manner that the Boxer who has been knocked down may be aware of the count.

Before the number “one” is counted, an interval of one second must have elapsed from the time when the Boxer is knocked down.

If the opponent should not go to the neutral corner on the command of the Referee, the Referee shall stop counting until the opponent has done so. The counting shall then be continued from where it had been interrupted.

### **13.3. Opponent’s Responsibilities**

- 13.3.1. If a Boxer is “down”, the Boxer’s opponent must at once go to the neutral corner as designated by the Referee.

### **13.4. Mandatory Eight Count**

- 13.4.1. When a Boxer is “down” as the result of a blow, the bout shall not be continued until the Referee has reached the count of eight, even if the Boxer is ready to continue before then.

### **13.5. The Knock-Out**

- 13.5.1. After the Referee has said “ten” and the word “out”, the bout ends and shall be decided as a Knock-Out.

### **13.6. Boxer “Down” at the End of Round**

- 13.6.1. In the event of a Boxer being “down” at the end of any round, the Referee shall continue to count. Should the Referee count up to ten, such Boxer shall be deemed to have lost the bout by a Knock-Out.

### **13.7. Second Time Boxer “Down” without a Fresh Blow**

- 13.7.1. If a Boxer is “down” as the result of a blow and the bout is continued after the count of eight has been reached, but the Boxer falls again without having received a fresh blow, the Referee shall continue the counting from the count of eight before the Referee stopped.

### **13.8. Both Boxers “Down”**

- 13.8.1. If both Boxers go “down” at the same time, counting will be continued as long as one of them is still “down”. If both Boxers remain “down” until ten, the bout will be stopped and both Boxers will lose by Knock-Out.
- 13.8.2. If this occurs in the Semi-Finals or Finals, the Boxer with the higher score at the time of the “down” will be the winner.



### 13.9. Compulsory Count Limits

- 13.9.1. At the Elite level, when a Boxer has three (3) compulsory counts in the same round or four (4) for the whole bout, the Referee shall stop the contest (RSC or RSCH).
- 13.9.2. At all other levels, a bout shall be stopped after two (2) compulsory counts in the same round or three (3) for the whole bout.
- 13.9.3. A “down” or count caused by any foul shall not be included in the compulsory count limit.

## **RULE 14. AIBA COMPETITION APPROVAL**

- 14.1. Conditions for an AIBA Approval can be found in the AIBA Approved Event Guidelines (Appendix C).

## **RULE 15. COMPETITION VENUE**

### 15.1. Field of Play

- 15.1.1. The AIBA official formation of the Field of Play in case of one (1) or two (2) rings can be found in Appendix I.

### 15.2. Required Venue Facilities

In addition to setting up the ring(s), the Organizing Committee should prepare the following venue facilities and rooms:

- 15.2.1. Waiting Lounge for Referees & Judges.
- 15.2.2. Boxers' Locker Rooms.
- 15.2.3. Anti-Doping Rooms.
- 15.2.4. Medical-Check Room (Doctor's Room).
- 15.2.5. Boxers' Warm-Up Room.
- 15.2.6. Storage for Boxing Equipment.
- 15.2.7. Offices for AIBA, Organizing Committee, Technical Delegate
- 15.2.8. Media/Press Room, Interview/Press Conference Room, Mixed Zone in accordance with the AIBA Media/Press Guidelines
- 15.2.9. Meeting Room for ITOs and Referees & Judges
- 15.2.10. VIP Lounge.

### 15.3. Additional Venue Requirements

15.3.1. The organizers of mixed events where both men and women compete shall arrange for separate rooms where the Medical Examinations and Weigh-Ins may be carried out separately for men and women.

15.3.2. Medical Examination of Women Boxers shall be carried out according to the AIBA Medical Handbook.

## **RULE 16. AIBA ANTI-DOPING REGULATIONS**

16.1. All issues related to Anti-Doping are to be found in the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules.

## **RULES FOR COMPETITION OFFICIALS**

### **RULE 1. TECHNICAL DELEGATE (TD)**

#### **1.1. Qualifications**

- 1.1.1. The Technical Delegate must exhibit superior leadership and management skills by having passed the AIBA Technical Delegate examination and obtained the certificate.
- 1.1.2. Active Coaches, Referees, Judges, Team Managers and any person with an over six (6) month suspension record cannot be appointed as Technical Delegate.

#### **1.2. Nomination & Appointment**

- 1.2.1. For all AIBA Approved Events, the AIBA Technical & Rules Commission nominates the candidates and the AIBA President approves, appoints and dismisses the Technical Delegate who must be from a different country than the one where the event takes place.
- 1.2.2. For all Continental Championships, the Confederation Competition Commission nominates the candidates and the Confederation President approves, appoints and dismisses the Technical Delegate who must be from a different country than the one where the event takes place.

#### **1.3. Duties of Technical Delegate**

- 1.3.1. The detailed duties are listed in Appendix A.

### **RULE 2. DEPUTY TECHNICAL DELEGATE**

#### **2.1. Appointment**

- 2.1.1. For all AIBA events where the number of entered Boxers exceeds 500, after the final entry deadline is closed, and for the Olympic Games, AIBA may appoint a Deputy Technical Delegate.

#### **2.2. Qualifications**

- 2.2.1. The Deputy Technical Delegate must exhibit superior leadership and management skills by having passed the AIBA Technical Delegate examination and obtained the certificate. The Deputy Technical Delegate can replace the Technical Delegate if he/she is absent.
- 2.2.2. Active Coaches, Referees, Judges, Team Managers and any person with an over six (6) month suspension record cannot be appointed as Deputy Technical Delegate.
- 2.2.3. The Deputy Technical Delegate must be from a different country than the one where the event takes place.

#### **2.3. Duties of the Deputy Technical Delegate**

- 2.3.1. The Deputy Technical Delegate shall conduct all duties that are based on the instructions and guidance of the Technical Delegate.

### **RULE 3. COMPETITION MANAGER (CM)**

- 3.1. The Competition Manager must be nominated by the Host National Federation and approved by the Confederation or AIBA depending if it is a Confederation Approved Event or an AIBA Approved Event.
- 3.2. The Competition Manager is responsible for following the instructions and guidance of the Technical Delegate to perform the duties that are attached in Appendix A.
- 3.3. The Competition Manager shall have an excellent level of spoken English.

### **RULE 4. INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL OFFICIAL (ITO)**

#### **4.1. Qualifications**

- 4.1.1 Each ITO must obtain the AIBA ITO certification
- 4.1.2. Active Coaches, Referees, Judges, Team Managers and any person with an over six (6) month suspension record cannot be appointed as ITO.

#### **4.2. Definition**

All Officials working within the Field of Play (FOP) excluding the Technical Delegate(s), the Referees & Judges and the Organizing Committee staff are called ITOs. ITOs consist of the following persons:

- 4.2.1. Competition Jury Members and Judges' Evaluator(s).
- 4.2.2. Draw Commission Members.
- 4.2.3. Medical Jury Members.
- 4.2.4. Equipment Manager.
- 4.2.5. R&J Coordinator.
- 4.2.6. Other assigned positions by the Technical Delegate to work inside the FOP.

#### **4.3. Nomination & Appointment**

- 4.3.1. AIBA Executive Committee members, Chairpersons of AIBA Commissions, Technical & Rules Commission members, Refereeing & Judging Commission members and Medical Commission members are the main candidates for an ITO appointment.
- 4.3.2. For all AIBA Approved Events, the Technical Delegate nominates the candidates and the AIBA President approves, appoints and dismisses the ITOs.
- 4.3.3. For all Continental Championships, the Technical Delegate nominates the candidates and the Confederation President approves, appoints and dismisses the ITOs.
- 4.3.4. ITOs shall not be more than two members from the same nationality in the same event as long as these ITOs from the same nationality are not assigned in the same bout.
- 4.3.5. The Host National Federation shall not send any ITO for its hosting event, except eventually the person(s) who is(are) appointed as Judges' Evaluator(s).

## **RULE 5. COMPETITION JURY & JUDGES EVALUATOR**

### **5.1. Appointment**

- 5.1.1. For the Olympic Games and World Championships, the Competition Jury shall be composed of AIBA Executive Committee and Technical & Rules Commission members who have a record of having been registered on the International List of Referees & Judges in the past together with members of the AIBA Refereeing & Judging Commission.
- 5.1.2. For Continental Championships, the Competition Jury shall be composed of members of the Confederation Executive Committee who have a record of having been registered on the International List of Referees & Judges in the past together with the members of the Confederation Refereeing & Judging Commission.

### **5.2. Composition of Members in Competition**

- 5.2.1. For each boxing session (other than the Finals), the Competition Jury shall consist of 3 persons according to Rule 4.2.1 of which one is the Chairperson.

### **5.3. Position and Rotation of Members in Competition**

- 5.3.1. No one other than members of the Competition Jury shall sit at the Jury's table during sessions. The rotation of the Competition Jury members for each session shall be arranged prior to the start of the competition by the Technical Delegate. Members wishing to change places on the rotation must first obtain the consent of the Technical Delegate.

### **5.4. Procedure of making Decisions**

- 5.4.1. The Chairperson of the Competition Jury shall announce all decisions on behalf of all Jury members.

### **5.5. Duties**

- 5.5.1. The Chairperson of the Competition Jury shall make the announcer aware of the name of the Boxer shown as the winner on the computer monitor after the bout is over.
- 5.5.2. The Competition Jury members should watch the scores and performances of the Referees & Judges and immediately suspend any wrongdoing Referee & Judge for the rest of the competition day. Then, once the competition is completed, the Technical Delegate and three (3) Competition Jury members shall discuss any further recommendations to the Disciplinary Commission regarding sanctioning the Referee & Judge.
- 5.5.3. If an Official appointed for a contest is absent, the Chairperson of the Competition Jury may appoint a suitable member from the roll of approved Officials to replace the absent member, reporting this change to the Technical Delegate immediately.
- 5.5.4. If circumstances should arise which would militate against the holding of a contest under proper conditions and if the Referee does not take efficient action concerning the situation, the Chairperson of the Competition Jury may order boxing to cease until it may be satisfactorily resumed.
- 5.5.5. The Chairperson of the Competition Jury may also take any immediate action as may deemed necessary to deal with circumstances that would militate against the proper conduct of boxing at any session.
- 5.5.6. Should the Boxer be guilty of a serious and deliberate offence that is contrary to the spirit of sportsmanship, the Chairperson of the Competition Jury, the Referee, the Competition Jury members, the Technical Delegate and ITOs have the right to recommend to the Executive Committee Bureau to put the case to the Disciplinary Commission for possible sanctions.

- 5.5.7. The Competition Jury members may not act as such in bouts involving Boxers from their own countries.
- 5.6. Overruling the Referee
- 5.6.1. A decision of a Referee may be overruled by the Chairperson of the Competition Jury when the Referee has given a decision which is clearly against the presently stated Rules and the AIBA Statutes and Bylaws. When considering such an incident, the Competition Jury may use a video tape recording of the incident.
- 5.7. The Chairperson of the Competition Jury shall conduct the Referees & Judges' pre-session Meeting.
- 5.8. Judges' Evaluator
- 5.8.1 For all AIBA Approved Events, one (1) Judges' Evaluator shall be appointed per number of ring. The Evaluator shall be appointed as an ITO from any country regardless of the location of the events.
- 5.8.2 The Judges' Evaluator shall compare the individual scores and performances of the Judges while watching the bouts in order to evaluate the judging abilities of each appointed Judge.
- Evaluators shall not evaluate Judges from their own countries.

## **RULE 6. RULES FOR BOTH REFEREES & JUDGES**

### **6.1. Designation and Neutrality**

To ensure neutrality, the names of the Referee and of the five Judges for each contest shall be selected by a Computerized Software Program and/or a Draw Commission.

- 6.1.1. Each of such Officials shall be an approved Referee & Judge.
- 6.1.2. Each of such Referee & Judge shall be of a different country and Federation from one another and from each of the Boxers taking part in the contest.
- 6.1.3. Each of such Referee & Judge shall not be a national of or resident in any country which is a dominion, colony or dependency of the country of any of the Boxers taking part in the contest.
- 6.1.4. In the event of a change of nationality, such Referee & Judge shall not officiate in any contest in which a Boxer of the Referee & Judge's former nationality is taking part.
- 6.1.5. In the case the Draw Commission cannot apply the above directives, the difficulty shall be resolved by ensuring as far as it may be possible the neutrality and impartiality of the Officials appointed, and shall report the matter as soon as convenient to the Technical Delegate.
- 6.1.6. In the event it is impossible for the Draw Commission to comply with the above directives, the Technical Delegate will make the final selection.

### **6.2. Conflict of Interest**

- 6.2.1. Referees & Judges in any contest or series of contests shall not at any time during the same contest or series of contests act as Team Manager, Coach or Second to any Boxer or team of Boxers taking part in such contest or series of contests or so act in a contest in which a Boxer of their nationality is taking part.

### **6.3. Disciplinary Action**

- 6.3.1. A decision on suspension related to Referees or Judges' poor performances at the event shall be made by the Technical Delegate with the evaluation of the Competition Jury.
- 6.3.2. A decision on suspension related to Referees or Judges' ethics shall be made by the Disciplinary Commission.
- 6.4. Code of Conduct
  - 6.4.1. All Referees & Judges should respect and sign the AIBA Code of Conduct (Appendix B).

## **RULE 7. REFEREES**

### **7.1. Designation and Participation**

- 7.1.1. In the Olympic Games and all AIBA Approved Events, each contest shall be controlled by an AIBA approved Referee who shall officiate on the ring and shall not score the bout.

### **7.2. Duties**

- 7.2.1. The care of the Boxer should be the primary concern of the Referee.
- 7.2.2. Rules and fair-play should be strictly observed.
- 7.2.3. Control of the contest should be maintained at all its stages.
- 7.2.4. A weak Boxer should be prevented from receiving undue and unnecessary punishment.
- 7.2.5. Three (3) words of command should be used:
  - 7.2.5.1. "Stop" when ordering the Boxers to stop boxing
  - 7.2.5.2. "Box" when ordering the Boxers to continue boxing
  - 7.2.5.3. "Break" to stop a clinch, upon which command each Boxer shall step back before continuing boxing.
- 7.2.6. Indicate to a Boxer by suitable explanatory signs or gestures any infringement of the present Rules.
- 7.2.7. In case of one or both Boxers are deaf, the Referee can use a touch by hand on the shoulder or on the arm to "stop" and to "break" the bout.
- 7.2.8. The Referee shall not indicate the winner by raising a Boxer's hand or otherwise, until the announcement has been made. When the winner of a bout is announced, the Referee shall raise the hand of the winning Boxer.
- 7.2.9. When the Referee has disqualified a Boxer or stopped the bout, the Referee shall first inform the Chairperson of the Competition Jury which Boxer has been disqualified or the reason for which the bout was stopped, to enable the Chairperson of the Competition Jury to instruct the announcer to make the decision correctly known to the public.
- 7.2.10. Obligation - A Referee should be physically fit to perform the duties in the ring after passing a Medical Examination before the competition.

### **7.3. Authorities of the Referee**

- 7.3.1. To terminate a contest at any stage if the Referee considers it to be one-sided.
- 7.3.2. To terminate a contest at any stage if one of the Boxers has received an injury on account of which the Referee decides the Boxer should not continue.

- 7.3.3. To terminate a contest at any stage if the Referee considers the Boxers are not in earnest. In such cases, the Referee may disqualify one or both Boxers.
- 7.3.4. To caution a Boxer or to stop the boxing during a contest and administer a warning to a Boxer against fouls or for any other reason in the interest of fair-play, or to ensure compliance with present Rules.
- 7.3.5. To disqualify a Boxer who fails to comply immediately with the Referee's orders, or behaves towards the Referee in an offensive or aggressive manner at any time.
- 7.3.6. To caution, to remove and to disqualify a Second who has infringed present Rules.
- 7.3.7. With or without previous warning, to disqualify a contestant for committing a serious foul.
- 7.3.8. In the event of a Knock-Down, to suspend a count, if a Boxer deliberately fails to retire to a neutral corner or delays to do so.
- 7.3.9. To interpret present Rules insofar as they are applicable or relevant to the actual contest or to decide and take action on any circumstance of the contest which is not covered by a rule.
- 7.4. Right to check the Boxer
  - 7.4.1. Equipment and Uniform - Once a Boxer enters the ring, a Referee shall disqualify any Boxer who refuse to wear a headguard, a cup protector (only men) and a gumshield; however this situation can be immediately rectified at Referee's discretion within one minute failing which the Boxer will be disqualified. No other objects may be worn during the competition. In the event of a Boxer's gloves, headguard or uniform becoming undone during boxing, the Referee shall stop the contest to have it attended to.
- 7.5. Right to check the Judges
  - 7.5.1. The Referee must check the right positions of the Judges before the bout.

## **RULE 8. JUDGES**

- 8.1. Designation and Participation
  - 8.1.1. In the Olympic Games and all AIBA Approved Events, each contest shall be marked by five AIBA Judges who shall be seated separated from the public and immediately adjacent to the ring.
  - 8.1.2. Two of the Judges shall be seated on the same side of the ring at a sufficient distance from one another, and each of the other three Judges shall be seated at the center of one of the other three sides of the ring.  
  
When the number of Officials available is insufficient, 3 Judges instead of 5 may be used, but this shall not apply to the Olympic Games, World Championships or Continental Championships.
- 8.2. Duties
  - 8.2.1. Each Judge shall independently judge the merits of the two Boxers and shall decide the winner according to the present Rules.
  - 8.2.2. Each Judge shall use the AIBA Scoring System for judging the merits of the Boxers.
  - 8.2.3. Each Judge shall not speak or give any sign to a Boxer or to another Judge or to anyone else during the contest.



8.2.4. Each Judge can, should it be necessary and at the end of a round, bring to the attention of the Referee any incident which the Referee may appear not to have noticed such as the misconduct of a Second, loose ropes, etc.

8.2.5. Judges shall remain in their seated positions until after the verdict has been announced to the public.

## **RULE 9. AIBA REFEREES & JUDGES MANAGEMENT**

9.1. The entire management system for AIBA Referees and Judges is described in Appendix G.

## **RULE 10. COACHES**

### **10.1. Certification**

10.1.1. All current coaches in National Federations must obtain an AIBA official certification to be allowed to second Boxers in the different AIBA Approved Events.

10.1.2. The coach classification shall be divided into three (3) levels and respect the following principles:

10.1.2.1. 1-Star level Coaches and above are allowed to be Second at 1-Star level events

10.1.2.2. 2-Star level Coaches and above are allowed to be Second at 2-Star level events

10.1.2.3. Only 3-Star level Coaches are allowed to be Second at 3-Star level events.

10.2. Before the new Coaches Management System is in place, a grace period shall be opened until the end of December 2012 to allow a lower Star level Coach to perform as Second in any higher level event in case a National Federation does not have any sufficient level certified Coaches.

## **RULE 11. AIBA COACHES MANAGEMENT**

11.1. The entire management system for AIBA Coaches is described in Appendix M.

## **RULE 12. SECONDS**

### **12.1. Number of Seconds**

12.1.1. Each Boxer is entitled to two (2) Seconds who shall be governed by the following rule: Only the two (2) Seconds shall mount the apron of the ring and only one may enter the ring.

### **12.2. Duties**

12.2.1. During the boxing, none of the Seconds shall remain on the platform of the ring. Before a round begins, they shall remove seats, towels, buckets, etc., from the platform of the ring.

12.2.2. The Seconds, while officiating in the corner, shall be in possession of a towel for the Boxer. A Second may indicate retirement for the Boxer by throwing the towel into the ring, when the Second considers the Boxer to be unfit / unable to continue boxing, except when the Referee is in the course of counting.

12.2.3. The Seconds are the Coaches and Trainers who are qualified in their National Federation and must respect and follow the present Rules and each Boxer is also responsible in a same way for Seconds.

### 12.3. Coaches/Seconds in AIBA and WSB Matches

- 12.3.1. Any Coach active in professional boxing shall not be allowed to be a Coach and/or Second in both AIBA and/or WSB competitions at any level unless the Coach resigns from any involvement in professional boxing for a period of at least six (6) months and is certified by AIBA as a registered Coach.

### 12.4. Prohibited Activities

- 12.4.1. Any Second encouraging or inciting spectators by words or signs during the progress of a round shall not be permitted to continue to act as a Second at the competition where the offence is committed.
- 12.4.2. Once a Second is removed from the corner by the Referee, this Second shall leave the Field of Play for the remainder of the day. If, during the competition, this Second is removed for a second time, this Second shall be completely suspended from that competition.
- 12.4.3. Use of any communication devices shall not be permitted onto the Field of Play such as but not limited to mobile telephones, walkie-talkies, smart phones, headsets, shortwave radios, etc.
- 12.4.4. Under any circumstance, no supplemental oxygen shall be administered to the Boxer during a bout.

## **RULE 13. MEDICAL JURY**

### 13.1. Qualification

- 13.1.1. For all AIBA Approved Events, Olympic Games and Olympic Qualifying Events, only AIBA Medical Commission members are permitted to serve as Medical Jury members. For all Confederation Approved Events, only Confederation Medical Commission members are permitted to serve as Medical Jury members.
- 13.1.2. In emergency conditions, the Technical Delegate may appoint local or Team Doctors in case other Medical Jury members are not available.

### 13.2. Attendance in Competition

- 13.2.1. Medical Jury members should be in attendance throughout the competition and should not leave the place where it is held before the end of the last bout and until Medical Jury members has seen the two Boxers who participated in such bout. Medical Jury members may wear surgical gloves during the bout.

### 13.3. Number of Medical Jury Members

- 13.3.1. In the case of one ring, in all AIBA Approved Events including the Olympic Games and World Championships, a minimum of two (2) and maximum of three (3) AIBA Medical Jury members are appointed. However, in any case, there shall not be more than two (2) Medical Jury members at one ringside.
- 13.3.2. In the case of two rings, in all AIBA Approved Events including the Olympic Games and World Championships, a maximum of two (2) AIBA Medical Jury members for each ring is required.

### 13.4. Requirement for Anti-Doping

- 13.4.1. For any AIBA Approved Event, one (1) anti-doping specialist should be present to control the anti-doping process under the supervision of the Medical Jury members.

## 13.5. Main Duties of Medical Jury

### 13.5.1. General Duties

- 13.5.1.1. The Medical Jury members are designated for Medical Examinations to ensure that:
- The Boxers have enough space
  - There is a direct access to the Weigh-In room
  - There exists some heating (if necessary), sufficient light and adequate ventilation
  - There is a sufficient number of chairs and desks.
- 13.5.1.2. At all international competitions, an AIBA Medical Commission member shall be present at the initial Medical Examination and all subsequent pre-bout examinations of Boxers.
- 13.5.1.3. Medical Jury members shall assist medical officers from individual countries.
- 13.5.1.4. Medical Jury members may express their opinion on injuries that Boxers have sustained and this opinion must be given when invited to do so by the Referee. This opinion will be considered as final.
- 13.5.1.5. Medical Jury members shall provide a Physician to oversee doping procedures and inspect the designated doping areas to determine adequacy in location, equipment, provisions and forms.
- 13.5.1.6. Medical Jury members shall provide Medical Examination for Referees & Judges.
- 13.5.1.7. Medical Jury members shall review the emergency plans of the Organizing Committee:
- Check for the presence of oxygen and stretcher, other resuscitation equipment, evacuation equipment, route of evacuation
  - Check that an ambulance is present for competition and hospital designated to care for stricken Boxers.
- 13.5.1.8. Medical Jury members shall check for adequate food and hydration provisions to be provided for the Boxers and recommended to the Technical Delegate for approval.

### 13.5.2. Competition Duties

- 13.5.2.1. At least one member of the Medical Jury must be at ringside for the entire duration of a bout.
- 13.5.2.2. Medical Jury members shall direct the Referee in evaluating injuries.
- 13.5.2.3. Medical Jury members shall inform the Chairperson of the Competition Jury to stop the bout in the case any Boxer appears unable to continue.

### 13.5.3. Procedure after Knock-Out and RSCH

- 13.5.3.1. Unconscious Boxer - If a Boxer is rendered unconscious, then only the Referee and the Doctor summoned should remain in the ring, unless the Doctor needs additional help. In case a Boxer is unconscious for more than one (1) minute, this Boxer should be transported to the nearest hospital (if possible to the neurosurgery department) for further evaluation. Any Boxer with a concussion may be referred to the hospital by the Doctor.

13.5.3.2. Medical Attention - In the case of a Knock-Out without unconsciousness or in the case of RSCH, the Boxer shall be examined by a Doctor immediately afterwards in the locker room to determine the need and nature of further medical observation and/or hospitalization.

13.5.3.3. Medical Jury members may recommend treatment for injured Boxers.

13.5.3.4. Medical Jury members will suspend and restrict injured Boxers as they feel appropriate.

## **RULE 14. TIMEKEEPER**

### **14.1. Duties**

14.1.1. The main duty of the Timekeeper is to regulate the number and duration of the rounds and the intervals between rounds. The intervals between rounds shall be of a full minute duration.

14.1.2. Five seconds before the start of each round, the Timekeeper shall clear the ring by ordering "clear the ring" or "Seconds out".

14.1.3. The Timekeeper shall start and end each round by striking the gong or bell.

14.1.4. The Timekeeper shall announce the number of each round immediately prior to starting it.

14.1.5. The Timekeeper shall stop/resume the clock as instructed by the Referee.

14.1.6. The Timekeeper shall regulate all periods of time and counts by a watch or clock.

14.1.7. At a Knock-Down, the Timekeeper shall give the sound signal to the Referee indicating the elapsing seconds while the latter is counting.

14.1.8. If, at the end of a round, a Boxer is "down" and the Referee is in the course of counting, the gong indicating the end of the round will not be sounded. The gong will be sounded only when the Referee gives the command "box" indicating the continuation of the bout. When the Referee is in the course of counting, the time of the round cannot finish, because of the command "stop" given by the Referee.

### **14.2. Position**

14.2.1. The Timekeeper shall be seated directly at the side of the ring.

## **RULE 15. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCER**

### **15.1. Qualification**

15.1.1. For all AIBA Approved Events, the Official Announcer should have the following qualifications:

15.1.1.1. Fluent in multi-languages (English is mandatory)

15.1.1.2. An excellent understanding of the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules

15.1.1.3. Possess a minimum of three (3) year experience in the field of competition announcement in sports events.

### **15.2. Appointment**

15.2.1. The Organizing Committee is responsible to hire a professional announcer for the entire competition.

## **RULES FOR COMPETITION EQUIPMENT**

### **RULE 1. USE OF AIBA LICENSEE EQUIPMENT**

- 1.1. From January 2012, for all AIBA Approved Events, Confederation Approved Events and all National Events, only AIBA Official Licensed Gloves and Headguards manufactured by AIBA Official Licensees must be used.

### **RULE 2. RING AND ACCESSORIES**

- 2.1. All specifications and guidelines on ring and accessories are described in Appendix H.
- 2.2. Approved Label
  - 2.2.1. For all AIBA Approved Events, the Organizing Committee should use the rings manufactured by one of the AIBA Official Licensees.

### **RULE 3. GLOVES**

- 3.1. All AIBA Approved Events must use gloves manufactured by one of the AIBA Official Boxing Equipment Licensees.
- 3.2. Boxers shall wear red or blue gloves, as per the respective Boxer's corner.
- 3.3. At all AIBA Approved Events, the gloves have to be provided by the Organizing Committee and have to be approved by the Technical Delegate. Boxers are not allowed to wear their own gloves.
- 3.4. Boxers shall put on their boxing gloves before entering the ring.
- 3.5. The gloves shall be taken off immediately after the bout is over and before the decision is announced.
- 3.6. The padding of the gloves shall not be displaced or broken.
- 3.7. Only clean and serviceable gloves shall be used.
- 3.8. Specifications
  - 3.8.1. Detailed specifications on boxing gloves can be found in the Glove and Headguards Specifications and Guidelines in Appendix J.

### **RULE 4. HEADGUARDS**

- 4.1. At all AIBA Approved Events, Boxers must use headguards manufactured by one of the AIBA Official Boxing Equipment Licensees.
- 4.2. The use of a headguard is mandatory.
- 4.3. Boxers shall wear red or blue headguards, as per the respective Boxer's corner.

- 4.4. At all AIBA Approved Events, the headguards have to be provided by the Organizing Committee and have to be approved by the Technical Delegate. Boxers are not allowed to wear their own headguard.
- 4.5. Boxers shall put their headguard on only after entering the ring.
- 4.6. Headguards shall be taken off immediately after the bout is over and before the decision is announced.
- 4.7. Specifications
  - 4.7.1. Detailed specifications on headguards can be found in the Equipment Guidelines in Appendix J.

## **RULE 5. BANDAGES**

- 5.1. Use of Bandages
  - 5.1.1. All AIBA Approved Events must use bandages from one of the AIBA Official Boxing Equipment Licensees.
  - 5.1.2. Bandages shall be applied in the dressing room in the presence of a Host National Federation Official. The bandages on each Boxer shall be checked and marked by an Official Equipment Manager at the equipment check table.
- 5.2. Specifications
  - 5.2.1. A bandage must not be longer than 4.5m (14.76 feet), and not shorter than 2.5m (8.2 feet). The bandage should be 5.7cm (2 ¼ inches) wide.

## **RULE 6. GUMSHIELD**

- 6.1. A gumshield must be worn. The gumshield should be form-fitted. The gumshield must be made available by the Organizing Committee for any participant who does not have one, and deducted against payment by the Boxer concerned or the Boxer's National Federation. No red or partially red colored gumshield may be worn.

## **RULE 7. PROTECTORS**

- 7.1. For all Men competitions, a cup protector shall be worn by the Boxers during all bouts and a jock-strap may be worn additionally. The cup protector should not cover any part of the target area.
- 7.2. For all Women competitions, a breast protector and a pubic protector may be worn by the Boxers.
  - 7.2.1. Women's breast protectors shall be constructed to protect the soft tissue of the breast up to the point that the breast protrusion merges with the chest wall. Breast protectors may not shield any other target area of the body except the protrusion of the breast. Right and left breast protectors, if connected, must be connected by thin material that does not protect the breastbone. Normal «bra straps» are permitted to hold the protectors in place. Breast protectors must have no metal parts except at the fastening site at the back of the Boxer.

## **RULE 8. COMPETITION UNIFORM**

### **8.1. Boxers' Uniform**

- 8.1.1. Boxers shall box in light boots or shoes (without spikes or heels), socks, shorts (not to exceed knee length), and a vest covering the chest and back.
- 8.1.2. For all AIBA Approved Events, the Boxers must wear a red or blue vest and shorts as per the Boxers' respective corner allocation, which shall be their own responsibility. The belt line must be clearly indicated by a contrasting color and by using a 6 – 10cm wide elastic waistband (the belt line is an imaginary line from the navel to the top of the hips).

### **8.2. Specifications**

- 8.2.1. Detailed Boxers' Uniform Guidelines can be found in Appendix F.

### **8.3. Attire of the Officials (Referees & Judges)**

- 8.3.1. Referees & Judges shall be dressed in trousers and shirts following AIBA's instructions for each competition.
- 8.3.2. These officials may use surgical gloves when officiating.

## **RULE 9. AIBA SCORING SYSTEM EQUIPMENT**

- 9.1. For all AIBA Approved Events, a complete set of AIBA Scoring System and an AIBA Scoring System operator are mandatory.
- 9.2. Handheld Scoring Clickers
  - 9.2.1. The Judges will also require five (5) handheld scoring clickers in the event of a breakdown of the AIBA Scoring System.

## **APPENDIX A**

### **DUTIES OF TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COMPETITION MANAGER**

#### **1. DUTIES OF TECHNICAL DELEGATE**

- 1.1. To conduct inspection visit (or visits) prior to the event in order to check the preparations of the Organizing Committee regarding all technical areas including the main venue, competition related facilities, competition schedules, location of the Team Delegations' hotel, etc., along with AIBA or Confederation HQs Office staff.
- 1.2. To evaluate the progress of the preparation of the event and report to the AIBA or Confederation HQs Office.
- 1.3. To arrive in good time for the event in order to monitor and assist the Organizing Committee with the final preparations. The Technical Delegate shall intervene in the work of the Organizing Committee only in the event the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules are being infringed or if the Technical Delegate has been requested to offer assistance.
- 1.4. To conduct the Technical Meeting for Team Leaders, Coaches, Doctors, Referees & Judges and ITOs prior to the start of competition.
- 1.5. To supervise / monitor the arrangements for the Official Draw, the General Weigh-In, the Daily Weigh-In and Medical Examination and the daily schedule of contests.
- 1.6. To assign duties to appointed ITOs for the competition.
- 1.7. To supervise / monitor the appointment process for the following Officials / duties: Passport control and Competition Record Book control, Weigh-In scales, Referees & Judges, Draw Commission, updating of Competition Record Books at ringside, Competition Jury, appeal procedures.
- 1.8. To conduct a daily meeting among the Chairpersons of the Competition Jury and of the Draw Commission in order to evaluate the performance of the Referees & Judges and make the final decisions on all matters related to the Referees & Judges based on the outcome of the meeting.
- 1.9. To submit the final evaluation report of the competition to the AIBA or Confederation HQs Office.

#### **2. DUTIES OF COMPETITION MANAGER**

- 2.1. To oversee the running of the competition and to be the focal person for AIBA to contact in relation to competition issues.
- 2.2. To ensure that the competition is organized and conducted in accordance with the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules under the guidance of the Technical Delegate(s).
- 2.3. To liaise with other functional areas to ensure a coordinated delivery of support services such as accreditation, security, transport, medical, media, venue operations, venues, host broadcaster and volunteers.
- 2.4. To liaise regularly with the Technical Delegate(s), the Host National Federation and the Organizing Committee on matters relating to the preparation of the competition.
- 2.5. To report to AIBA and the Technical Delegate on a regular basis on the preparation of the event.
- 2.6. To establish a list of equipment required for the boxing competition.



- 2.7. To provide a specific sport input into venue planning and operations for all competition and training sites.
- 2.8. To recommend an appropriate organizational structure and appropriate staffing levels for the conduct of the competition.
- 2.9. To train and manage staff and volunteers on a day-to-day basis.
- 2.10. To collaborate with the Host National Federation and Organizing Committee regarding the selection and training of the National Technical Officials.
- 2.11. To organize and conduct orientation and briefing sessions for all staff, technical officials, and volunteers prior to the commencement of the competition.
- 2.12. To ensure all assets of the Organizing Committee assigned to an area are properly secured and maintained.
- 2.13. To ensure all policies and procedures of the Organizing Committee are followed, venue emergency procedures are in place and related issues (e.g. discipline, security, working conditions, etc.) are properly enforced, documented and irregularities reported.
- 2.14. To attend such meetings and undertake such liaison as may be necessary as Competition Manager, reporting and taking action as required.

## APPENDIX B

### AIBA CODE OF CONDUCT

The International Boxing Association (AIBA) hereby requests for your agreement of the following “Code of Conduct”, which will apply during the entire period of the [Name Event, Date Event].

- Code 1: I shall not receive any cash and shall not accept any gift that could be considered as a bribe from anyone excluding those to be received from the AIBA HQs Office as official souvenirs.
- Code 2: I shall not be under the influence of alcohol during the entire period of the [Name Event].
- Code 3: I shall not violate any norm of social behavior in my relation with members of the local and visiting countries' citizens.
- Code 4: I shall not use or carry my mobile telephone inside the Competition Venue.
- Code 5: I shall be available to attend all daily arranged Referee & Judge meetings for the entire period of the [Name Event].
- Code 6: I shall be available for fulfilling my duties for the competition as requested by the AIBA Technical Delegate.
- Code 7: I shall not collude or collaborate with any party by violating the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules.
- Code 8: I shall not collude or collaborate with any party by violating my judgment and duties as an AIBA Referee & Judge.
- Code 9: When performing my duties as an AIBA Referee & Judge, I shall not talk to anybody about any competition related issue within the Competition Venue and/or any other location for the entire period of the competition, especially to persons from my own country such as National Federation members, International Technical Officials, Executive Committee members, media and public.
- Code 10: I shall not conduct myself in any manner that is derogatory to AIBA.
- Code 11: I shall not smoke inside of the Competition Venue.
- Code 12: I shall respect and not violate the AIBA Disciplinary Code in any manner.

I accept the fact that any infringement of the above codes will be referred to the AIBA Disciplinary Commission / Executive Committee and could lead to an immediate sanction against me. Therefore, I hereby agree to AIBA's request.

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

NAME

FUNCTION

SIGNATURE

## APPENDIX C

### AIBA APPROVED EVENT GUIDELINES

#### 1. AIBA APPROVED EVENTS

- 1.1. AIBA Approved Events are supported by AIBA through TV rights, sponsorships, Technical Delegate(s), R&Js depending on the defined level of the event as listed in 1.10.
- 1.2. In each year, AIBA will set the maximum number of AIBA Approved Events to be held in any one calendar year at its Executive Committee meeting.
- 1.3. An AIBA Approved Event may not be staged on the same day as another one, unless the two events are in different countries and do not share a common border.
- 1.4. In principle, no more than one (1) AIBA Approved Event may be staged in the same city in any one year.
- 1.5. A maximum of three (3) AIBA Approved Events can be staged in the same country depending on their consistent excellence and their tradition.
- 1.6. AIBA will only consider applications for AIBA Status from those countries that have previously held an International Tournament on a regular basis and which are approved by the National Federation.
- 1.7. Applications for AIBA Status shall be submitted to the AIBA HQs Office by National Federations by September of the year preceding the event.
- 1.8. Any National Federation applying for upgrading an event shall submit the application along with the results of all previous tournaments and reasons for upgrade.
- 1.9. Any National Federation applying for any AIBA Approved Event will need to fulfil AIBA's requirements such as budget, hosting fee, compliance with AIBA Technical & Competition Rules, Anti-Doping Code, TV coverage. The level of requirements will depend on the status of the Approved Event.
- 1.10. AIBA Approved Events are divided into three (3) levels (1-Star, 2-Star and 3-Star Events) depending on the number of Boxers participating from different countries and the level of the Boxers (World Ranked Boxers):
  - 1.10.1. AIBA 3-Star Events – AIBA International Tournaments:
    - 1.10.1.1. All following AIBA Controlled Events are controlled and managed by AIBA, and the rights belong to AIBA:
      - World Boxing Championships (Men and Women)
      - Youth World Boxing Championships (Men and Women)
      - Junior World Boxing Championships (Boys and Girls)
      - World Cup
      - President's Cup
      - All Qualifying Events for the Olympic Games and Youth Olympic Games
      - World Series of Boxing
    - 1.10.1.2. International and Continental Events with a participation of more than 20 countries and over 150 Boxers

- 1.10.2. AIBA 2-Star Events – AIBA Continental Events:
  - 1.10.2.1. International and Continental Events with a participation of between 13 – 19 countries and over 100 Boxers
- 1.10.3. AIBA 1-Star Events – AIBA Regional Events:
  - 1.10.3.1. International and Continental Events with a participation of between 1 – 12 countries.
- 1.11. Rules shall apply as follows:
  - 1.11.1. The AIBA Technical & Competition Rules shall apply to all AIBA Approved Events.
  - 1.11.2. The Anti-Doping Rules shall apply to all AIBA Approved Events, except in circumstances where another international organization recognized by AIBA is obliged to implement its own anti-doping rules, in which case those rules will prevail.

## **2. EVENT PROCEDURE APPROVAL**

- 2.1. National Level Events:
  - 2.1.1. For National Level Events, the following order procedure needs to be respected:
    - 2.1.1.1. National Federation's approval is mandatory
    - 2.1.1.2. Confederation's approval is mandatory
    - 2.1.1.3. AIBA's approval may be requested
  - 2.1.2. All other events may be AIBA Approved Events or not, which is something the Host National Federation has the liberty to choose. However, in the case of Non-Approved Events, the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules must apply.
  - 2.1.3. An approval should be obtained no later than three (3) months before the competition starts.
  - 2.1.4. This procedure may be implemented for any Championships, Dual Matches, Invitations (team or individual) or all other Regional Events.
- 2.2. Continental Events:
  - 2.2.1. For Continental Level Events, approval needs to be given by the Confederation and/or by AIBA.
  - 2.2.2. This can be done for Continental Championships, Continental Events and International Multi-Continental Events.

## APPENDIX D

### WORLD RANKING GUIDELINES

#### 1. WORLD RANKING POINTS ALLOCATION

- 1.1. The World Ranking points for each Boxer are accumulated over a two (2) year “rolling” period.
- 1.2. The World Ranking points will be awarded for each event and maintained in full for four (4) events.
- 1.3. From the 5th event onwards (up to a maximum of 7 events), any World Ranking point awarded will be decreased by 25% per event.
- 1.4. The Official AIBA World Ranking is issued after each event counting into the ranking system.
- 1.5. Every Boxer participating in a 3-Star Event as listed in Appendix C will be ranked within the competition and will gain points depending on final result and position.
- 1.6. World Ranking points will be allocated as follows:

Ranking Events	Ranking points to earn for reaching the following place									
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
<b>World Championships</b>	1200	800	700	650	500	450	400	350	100	90
<b>Olympic Games</b>	1300	900	800	750	600	550	500	450	100	0
<b>Continental Olympic Qualifying event</b>	750	550	450	400	250	200	150	100	0	0
<b>Confederation Championships</b>	800	600	500	450	300	250	200	150	0	0
<b>Youth World Championships</b>	800	600	500	450	300	250	200	150	0	0

*\* No World Ranking points for Women are awarded for Olympic Games*

- 1.7. For the World Championships (the first Olympic Qualifying Event) and the Olympic Qualifying Events on each continent, AIBA will allow the points which are the highest ones among these participations.
- 1.8. A disqualified Boxer on violation of the Disciplinary Code including for Anti-Doping issues shall not be awarded with any ranking point.

#### 2. EXTRA CRITERIAS

- 2.1. Any Boxer who changes Weight Category will be awarded 75% of all granted points in the previous Weight Category.
- 2.2. Two (2) Boxers with the same amount of points will be **FIRSTLY** ranked by the number of competitions in which they participated.
- 2.3. In case two (2) Boxers have the same number of points gained in the same number of competitions, they will be ranked through the best result in the highest ranked competition as follows:
  - 2.3.1. Olympic Games
  - 2.3.2. World Championships (Men and Women)
  - 2.3.3. Youth World Championships

2.3.4. Olympic Qualifying Events

2.3.5. Continental Championships

### 3. RESULTS PROTOCOL

3.1. In order to determine each place in a 3-Star Event, the Boxers ranking shall be classify as follows:

Rank	Place	Result
1	1	Gold
2	2	Silver
3	3	Loser vs Gold in Semi-Final (SF)
3	4	Loser vs Silver in Semi-Final (SF)
5	5	Loser vs Gold in Quarter-Final (QF)
5	6	Loser vs Silver in Quarter-Final (QF)
5	7	Loser in QF vs Loser to Gold in SF
5	8	Loser in QF vs Loser to Silver in SF
9	9	Loser vs Gold in Round of 16
9	10	Loser vs Silver in Round of 16

## APPENDIX E

### SEEDING PROCEDURE FOR THE DRAW CEREMONY

#### 1. THE SEEDING PROCEDURE OF THE DRAW CEREMONY

- 1.1. To ensure even strength throughout the Draw and to avoid best World Ranked Boxers meeting in the early rounds, the draw may be seeded or arranged subject to the restrictions for all AIBA Approved Events (World Championships, Continental Championships) as follows:

1.1.1. No seeds if there are less than 4 entries in the Weight Category

- A maximum of two seeds if there are 4 to 15 entries in the Weight Category;
- A maximum of four seeds if there are more than 15 entries in the Weight Category;
- A maximum of eight seeds if there are more than 31 entries in the Weight Category;
- A maximum of sixteen seeds if there are more than 63 entries in the Weight Category;

1.1.2. The AIBA Seeding Commission will review the performances of the WSB Boxers before each World Championships and Olympic Games

- At the AIBA World Championships, in each Weight Category except in Heavyweight and Super Heavyweight, 4 additional seeding places to the quota described in Rule 1.1.1 will be allocated to the highest ranked WSB Boxers of the previous WSB season.
- At the AIBA World Championships, in Heavyweight and Super Heavyweight categories, 2 additional seeding places to the quota described in Rule 1.1.1 will be allocated to the highest ranked WSB Boxers of the previous WSB season.
- At the Olympic Games, in each Weight Category, 2 additional seeding places to the quota described in Rule 1.1.1 will be allocated to the highest ranked WSB Boxers of the previous WSB season.

1.1.3. Seeding Quota for Host Country:

- Due to the fact that the Host Country for the World Championships will spend a high level of fund, AIBA considers to give some incentives to the Host Country.
- In this regard, giving one seed among allocated 8 seeds in each Weight Category in the World Championships is to be considered.
- Thus, the Host Country will receive the 8th ranking seed in each Weight Category if any Boxer from the Host Country is qualified for any position among 8 allocated seeds.

- 1.2. For the Approved Events listed in Rule 1.1., the seeding of the Draw shall be controlled by AIBA. To accomplish this, all entries shall be forwarded by the Organizing Committee to the AIBA HQs Office.

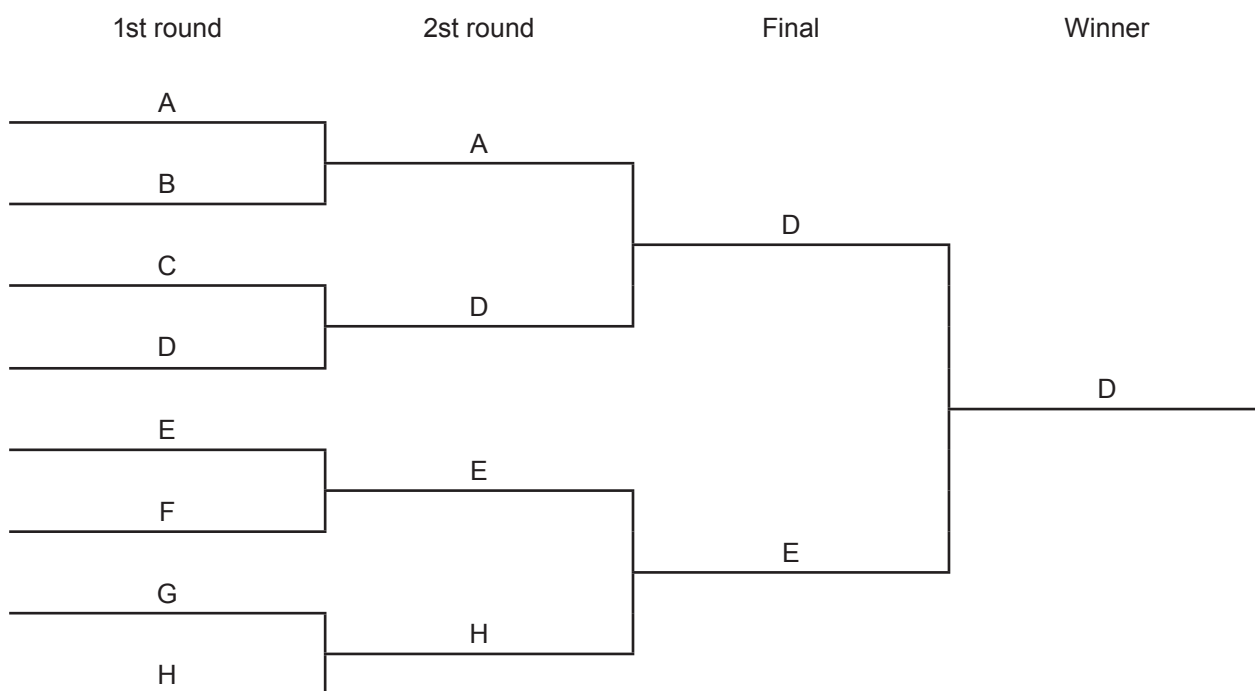
- 1.3. The Draw shall be conducted as follows:

1.3.1. The number of byes should be defined and placed

- 1.3.1.1. When the number of Boxers is 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, or any higher power of 2, they shall meet in pairs in the order drawn, as in Diagram 1, for 8 Boxers.
- 1.3.1.2. When the number of Boxers is not a power of 2, there shall be byes in the first round of bouts. The number of byes shall be equal to the difference between the next higher power of 2 and the number of Boxers (e.g. with 17 Boxers, there are  $32 - 17 = 15$  byes).

- 1.3.1.3. The byes shall be placed as in Diagram 2.
- 1.3.2. The seeded entries shall be selected from the highest AIBA World Ranked Boxers and highest WSB Ranked Boxers in the event.
- 1.3.3. Seeded entries shall be placed as detailed in the example Draw in Diagram 2. Seeded entries in the top half of the Draw are placed at the top and bottom of their sections (e.g. eights or sixteenths), and in the bottom half of the Draw at the bottom and top of their sections.
- 1.3.3.1. Depending on the number of seeds as listed in Rule 1.1., the top 2 and 4 seeded entries shall be dealt with as follows and shown in Diagram 2 and Diagram 3 (eg. 1 seed, 2 seed, 3 seed, 4 seed):
- Number 1 placed at the top of the diagram
  - Number 2 placed at the bottom of the diagram
  - Number 3 placed at the top half of the bottom of the diagram
  - Number 4 placed at the bottom half of the top of the diagram
- 1.3.3.2. The other seeds shall be dealt with taking regard of the requirements of Rule 1.1.
- 1.3.3.3. Numbers 5 to 8 or 9 to 16 are placed as shown in Diagram 2 and Diagram 3 (eg. 5-8 seed or 9-16 seed) and are drawn by lot by an independent panel of observers.
- 1.3.3.4. The remaining places shall be filled with non-seeded Boxers randomly by the Computerized Draw System.

#### **DIAGRAM 1**





## DIAGRAM 2



DIAGRAM 3

Round of 64   Round of 32   Round of 16   Round of 8

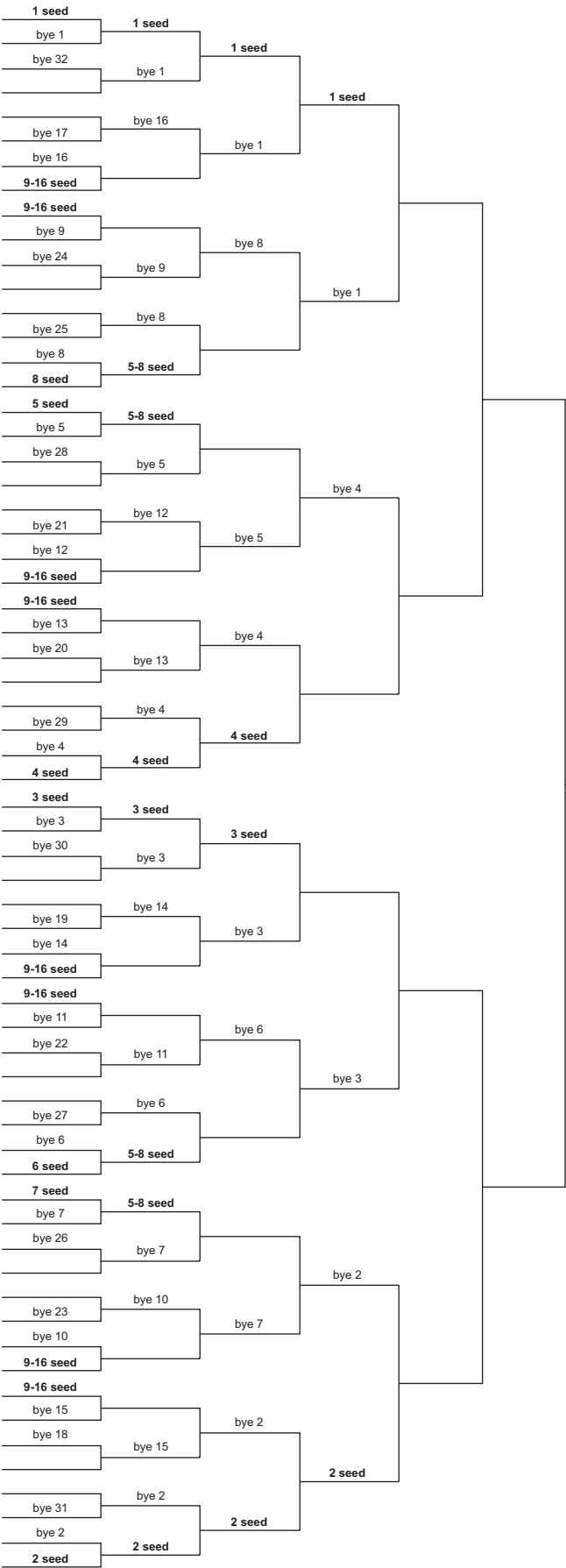


DIAGRAM 3 (zoom A)

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**DIAGRAM 3 (zoom A)**



**DIAGRAM 3 (zoom B)**



## APPENDIX F

### BOXERS' UNIFORM GUIDELINES

#### 1. VEST AND SHORT SPECIFICATIONS

##### 1.1. National Flag

- 1.1.1. The flag of the National Federation may be displayed only once on the vest and once on the shorts.
- 1.1.2. The flag must not contain any manufacturer identification, sponsor advertising, design features or other elements.
- 1.1.3. The flag may be printed, embroidered or sewn on as a badge.
- 1.1.4. There are no restrictions on the shape of the flag, but the following measurements and positioning on the kit item must be observed:
  - 1.1.4.1. Vest: Maximum 50cm<sup>2</sup> (fifty square centimeters) front of the vest, at heart level and side.
  - 1.1.4.2. Shorts: Maximum 50cm<sup>2</sup> (fifty square centimeters) front of left leg.

##### 1.2. Manufacturers Logo

- 1.2.1. The manufacturer identification may be printed, embroidered or sewn on to the vest and must not interfere with the other elements identifying the National Federation (e.g. flag). The following quantities, positioning and measurements must be observed:
  - 1.2.1.1. Vest:
    - The logo identification is permitted to be positioned once on the front of the vest at chest level on the right area
    - Maximum 20cm<sup>2</sup> (twenty square centimeters).
  - 1.2.1.2. Shorts:
    - The logo identification is permitted once to be positioned once at the front of right leg.
    - Maximum 20cm<sup>2</sup> (twenty square centimeters).

##### 1.3. Olympic National Abbreviation of the National Federation

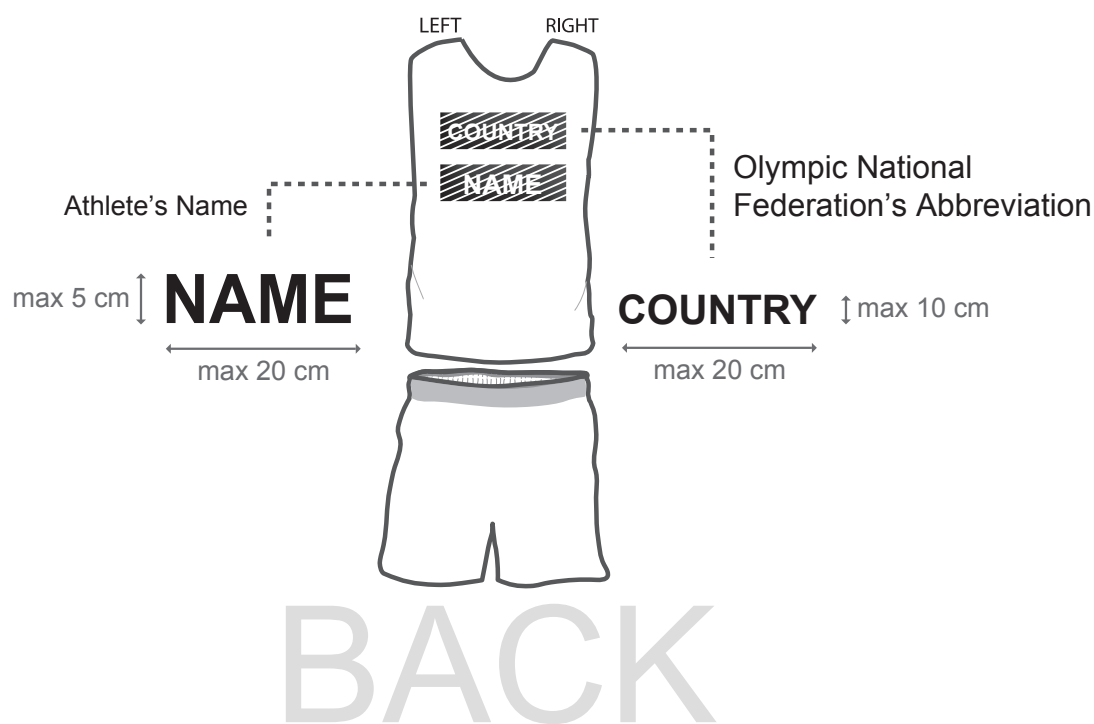
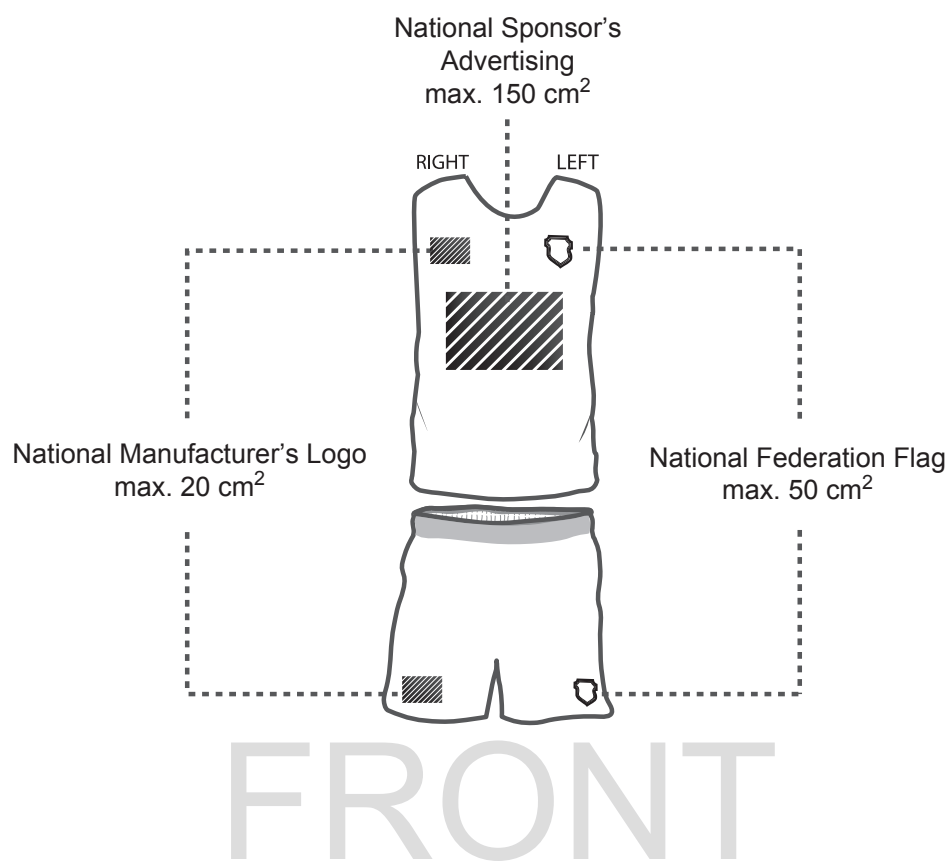
- 1.3.1. The Olympic National Abbreviation of the National Federation may be displayed only once on the back of the vest.
- 1.3.2. The letters used for the Olympic National Abbreviation of the National Federation must not exceed 10cm (ten centimeters) in height.
- 1.3.3. The letters used for the Olympic National Abbreviation of the National Federation must be in a contrasting color to the color(s) of the vest. For better legibility, they may be affixed to a neutral colored patch or surrounded by a border or shadow outline.
- 1.3.4. The Olympic National Abbreviation of the National Federation must not interfere with the other elements of the kit identifying the Boxer (e.g. Boxer's name).

#### 1.4. Boxer's Name:

- 1.4.1. Each Boxer may be identified by means of the surname or popular name on the back of the vest. The name must be identical to that indicated in the passport.
- 1.4.2. The name must be positioned on the upper part of the back of the vest between the shoulder blades area. The letters used for the name must not exceed 5cm (five centimeters) in height and the name width should not exceed 20cm (twenty centimeters).
- 1.4.3. The letters used for the name must be in a contrasting color to the color(s) of the vest. For a better legibility, they may be affixed to a neutral colored patch or surrounded by a border or shadow outline.
- 1.4.4. They may not contain any manufacturer identification, sponsor advertising, design features or other elements.

#### 1.5. National Federation Sponsors Advertising

- 1.5.1. All forms of advertising for sponsors or third parties, of political, religious or personal statements or other prohibited class such as alcohol (exception for beer and wine), tobacco, casino, gambling and betting are prohibited on all kit items inside the Competition Venue.
- 1.5.2. The National Federation sponsor advertising may be printed, embroidered or sewn on to the vest and must not interfere with the other elements identifying the National Federation (e.g. the flag). The following quantities, positioning and measurements must be observed:
  - 1.5.2.1. Vest:
    - The sponsor advertising is permitted once to be positioned on the front of the vest below the chest level area
    - Maximum 150cm<sup>2</sup> (one hundred fifty square centimeters).



## **APPENDIX G**

### **AIBA REFEREES & JUDGES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

#### **1. R&J QUALIFICATION MANAGEMENT**

##### **1.1. Standard criteria to meet AIBA R&J Fundamental Qualifications**

###### **1.1.1. Social Status - The following persons cannot be active R&Js:**

- 1.1.1.1. All elected members who are Executives of National Federations such as Presidents, Executive Committee members, Secretaries General, etc.
- 1.1.1.2. Any paid employee of National Federations.
- 1.1.1.3. Active Team Managers, Coaches, Trainers, etc.
- 1.1.1.4. Refereeing & Judging Commission, Technical & Rules Commission and Women's Commission members.

###### **1.1.2. Sport Status:**

- 1.1.2.1. The R&Js in the World Series of Boxing can be active R&Js in AIBA and vice versa.
- 1.1.2.2. A person cannot be a Referee only but can be a Judge only.
- 1.1.2.3. Persons from a non-boxing background or former Boxers may become R&Js.

###### **1.1.3. Physical Status:**

- 1.1.3.1. All color-blind persons cannot be R&Js.
- 1.1.3.2. A deaf person cannot be a Referee

###### **1.1.4. Ethical Status:**

- 1.1.4.1. Any R&J suspended by AIBA for ethical reasons will no longer be accepted for any activity within boxing.

#### **2. R&J QUALITY ENHANCEMENT MANAGEMENT**

- 2.1. All R&Js at any level should be trained and judge the competitions only by following the AIBA R&J Manual.
- 2.2. AIBA will certify R&J Instructors to provide the educational seminars and training courses at national and regional levels.
- 2.3. Only AIBA certified R&Js are allowed to officiate in any competition and should be registered in the AIBA Database.



### 3. R&J CERTIFICATION / CLASSIFICATION MANAGEMENT

#### 3.1. R&J Tests:

- 3.1.1. New examination criteria to be developed
- 3.1.2. Written examination
- 3.1.3. Oral examination (given a scenario, evaluate language level)
- 3.1.4. Practical live examination
- 3.1.5. Reaction test
- 3.1.6. Physical test, eye sight (color-blindness)
- 3.1.7. Aptitude test
- 3.1.8. Referee & Judge exams separately

#### 3.2. Paths to become an AIBA R&J:

##### 3.2.1. Module 1

- 3.2.1.1. The candidate should be given the introductory booklet two to three weeks before the Induction Examination. This booklet covers the Rules the candidate should know to begin the first stage.
- 3.2.1.2. The Induction Process should commence with a four hour clinic, 2 x 2 hour sessions, covering all the topics in the exam paper and conducted by a National Federation certified R&J Trainer.
- 3.2.1.3. On successful completion of the Induction Period and the examination paper, the candidate will have demonstrated a sufficient knowledge of the Rules to advance to Module 2.
- 3.2.1.4. AIBA Officials Induction Clinic – Judges  
  
The purpose of the session is to prepare the candidates to become qualified National Level Judges and to familiarize them with and have them understand the Rules that will help them providing Boxers with fair and consistent rulings.

##### 3.2.2. Module 2

- 3.2.2.1. The candidate should be assigned to a “mentor” (an already qualified AIBA Official in good standing) who will supervise progress throughout Module 2.
- 3.2.2.2. The first stage is to spend at least ten contests working with a certified Timekeeper; five as the Assistant Timekeeper then five as the Timekeeper under the supervision of the certified Timekeeper.
- 3.2.2.3. This complete module gains practical experience of the three areas required to work in or around the ring thus refereeing, judging and an appreciation of timekeeping.
- 3.2.2.4. The second stage will see the candidate introduced to actual contests as a “Supernumerary Judge” using either the AIBA Scoring System or a handheld scoring machine or clicker device.
- 3.2.2.5. The candidate should score at least 30 contests under the supervision and critique of the candidate’s mentor.
- 3.2.2.6. Having completed the above, the candidate will, with the approval of the candidate’s mentor, advance to the next Module.

### 3.2.3. Module 3

- 3.2.3.1. This stage will necessitate some practice as a Referee in gymnasium sparring sessions.
- 3.2.3.2. This can usually be arranged in a number of ways, such as:
  - In sessions arranged by the National Federation
  - In a facility arranged and approved by the candidate's mentor
  - In a boxing club to which the candidate is registered.
- 3.2.3.3. When the candidate is considered as being ready, the candidate should be introduced as a Referee in junior contests and complete successfully at least 30 bouts, again under the management and critique of the candidate's mentor.
- 3.2.3.4. During this time, the candidate will also undoubtedly have completed numerous bouts as a Judge and, on the recommendation of the candidate's mentor, should then be approved to National Level.

### 3.2.4. Module 4 - National Level

- 3.2.4.1. National level is where the candidate can operate at all levels within the National Federation and should accomplish the following recommended minimum parameters:
  - Judge 50 contests
  - Referee 30 contests
  - Both of the above should include at least one National Elite Championships.
- 3.2.4.2. When all of the above has been completed with an acceptable level of competency, the candidate can be recommended by the National Federation certified R&J Trainer for the AIBA Entrance Examination.

### 3.2.5. Module 5 - National Level

- 3.2.5.1. Candidates for admission to the lists of AIBA Referees & Judges cannot be Executive members or paid employees of the National Federations.
- 3.2.5.2. The AIBA Entrance Examination can be arranged by the candidate's National Federation or the candidate can attend an examination being hosted by another National Federation or quite possibly at the AIBA Boxing Academy.
- 3.2.5.3. The AIBA Entrance Examination will consist of four parts:
  - An extensive questionnaire examination paper covering AIBA Technical & Competition Rules
  - An oral examination to clarify that the candidate understands these Rules
  - Judge at least ten contests in a competition
  - Referee at least five contests in a competition.
- 3.2.5.4. The Candidate must demonstrate total competency in all the segments of the examination to be accredited as an AIBA 1-Star R&J. Should the candidate demonstrate an exceptional talent to the examiners during the examination, the candidate could be invited to attend a course at the AIBA Boxing Academy which, if completed to a very high standard, could fast track the candidate to an AIBA 3-Star R&J status.

3.2.5.5. Eligibility:

- Challenge Matches
- Designated Multi-Nation Tournaments (for a 2-Star Assessment).

3.2.6. Module 6 - AIBA 2-Star R&J

3.2.6.1. Eligibility:

- All Multi-Nation Tournaments
- Designated Multi-Nation Tournament (for a 3-Star Assessment).

3.2.7. Module 7 - AIBA 3-Star R&J

3.2.7.1. As this is the highest grade an AIBA R&J can obtain, it is awarded to only the very best Officials who have continually demonstrated their high standards in judging and refereeing and successfully completed to a high degree of competency the AIBA Boxing Academy's Workshop / Examination.

3.2.7.2. Eligibility:

1. Olympic Games, Youth Olympic Games, Olympic Qualifying Events
2. All AIBA World Championships
3. Commonwealth Games, Asian Games, Pan-American Games, African Games
4. Continental Championships
5. World Cup
6. President's Cup
7. Approved Multi-Sport Games

3.2.7.3. AIBA R&J 2- and 3-Star status is performance maintained and any lowering of standards or questionable performance by the holder may result in a recommended downgrade.

3.2.7.4. It is also possible that an AIBA R&J who is considered incompetent may have his/her AIBA R&J status revoked completely.

3.2.7.5. AIBA R&Js and indeed all members of the AIBA Family are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that will never bring AIBA into disrepute.

3.3. R&J Test Procedure

3.3.1. 1-Star Test

3.3.1.1. When a National Federation determines to test members for admission to the lists of AIBA 1-Star R&Js, it should adopt the following procedure:

- Make an application to the AIBA HQs Office along with give full details of tournament, venue, dates, etc.
- Complete a Test Application Form for each candidate and forward all to the AIBA HQs Office
- Transfer the appropriate test fees (US\$ 100 per applicant) to AIBA's bank account
- The AIBA HQs Office will forward exam request to the AIBA R&J Commission

- Commission will appoint the Exam Commission consisting of two members:
  - o A member of the AIBA R&J Commission from a different continent than the examinees
  - o An AIBA Boxing Academy Instructor
- Exam Commission will inform the AIBA HQs Office of the exam's results
- The AIBA HQs Office will relay results to the AIBA R&J Commission and the National Federation concerned and forward all appropriate certificates, Competition Record Books, badges, etc., to candidates.

### 3.3.2. Graduation to 2-Star

- 3.3.2.1. The AIBA R&J Commission, with the approval of the AIBA Executive Committee, will designate Multi-Nation Tournaments in all continents where 1-Star R&Js can be assessed for promotion to a 2-Star R&J status using the following procedure:
- All National Federations will be informed of the tournaments where the AIBA R&J Commission appointed personnel will be present to assess 1-Star R&Js for graduation to a 2-Star R&J status
  - The R&J Evaluators, in collaboration with the Jury members present at these tournaments, will make and forward their upgrade recommendations to the AIBA HQs Office which will further forward to the AIBA R&J Commission
  - When a 1-Star R&J has had four of the aforementioned recommendations, promotion can be considered for a 2-Star R&J status
  - The AIBA R&J Commission Evaluation Panel will review all recommendations and approve the warranted upgrades on a bi-annual basis.

### 3.3.3. Graduation to 3-Star

- 3.3.3.1. 3-Star is the highest ranking of AIBA R&Js and therefore this status will only be granted to the very best Officials and be limited in numbers
- 3.3.3.2. Once granted, the maintenance of this standard is performance based and any lapse in the standard of the Officials will almost certainly result in demotion
- 3.3.3.3. To ensure that AIBA will always have a sufficient number of 3-Star R&Js, Graduation Workshops will be staged at the AIBA Boxing Academy on a bi-annual basis
- 3.3.3.4. When a 2-Star AIBA R&J has obtained 3 upgrade recommendations from the Evaluators at designated tournaments, then application can be made for a place at the AIBA Boxing Academy's 3 Star Graduation Workshops
- 3.3.3.5. National Federations will be informed of the designated tournaments
- 3.3.3.6. A panel will review all applications for admission to the Graduation Workshops and select from the lists the highest rated candidates to fill the twenty places that will be available on each course
- 3.3.3.7. The Graduation Workshops will be conducted by the AIBA Boxing Academy Instructors and suitably qualified members of the AIBA R&J Commission and will consist of a three-day workshop followed by two days of examination
- 3.3.3.8. Only the very best candidates will qualify and those who fail will remain as 2-Star R&Js and will need to obtain a further 3 upgrade recommendations before then can apply for another Graduation Workshop at the AIBA Boxing Academy.

### 3.4. Validity of Test Period

- 3.4.1. The AIBA R&J certification is valid for a period of four years from its commencement and after that period, the Official or respective National Federation must arrange for a control test.
- 3.4.2. Should an R&J officiate successfully at any major AIBA Event, Olympic Games, etc., then the validity period of the license will be extended to four years from the date of that event.

## 4. R&J APPOINTMENT MANAGEMENT FOR COMPETITIONS

- 4.1. For all AIBA Approved and Controlled Events, the AIBA R&J Commission will prepare a list of suitably qualified Officials and present the names to the AIBA President for his approval.
- 4.2. For all Confederation Events, the Confederation R&J Commission will prepare a list of suitably qualified Officials and present the names to the Confederation President for his approval.
- 4.3. For major events, a Captain of R&Js should be nominated:
  - 4.3.1. To be the leader in the R&J group
  - 4.3.2. To be the spokesperson of the R&J group
  - 4.3.3. To be the chaperon / liaison person for the R&J group
- 4.4. Whenever AIBA is responsible for R&J costs, it should cover the following:
  - 4.4.1. Complete travel costs
  - 4.4.2. Accommodation / meals
  - 4.4.3. Visa fee
  - 4.4.4. Per Diem
  - 4.4.5. Certification diploma and evaluation (but not if suspended or removed).
- 4.5. Approved Events to be covered by AIBA:
  - 4.5.1. Olympic Qualifying Events
  - 4.5.2. World Championships
  - 4.5.3. Continental Championships
  - 4.5.4. World Cup
  - 4.5.5. President's Cup

## 5. R&J PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – R&J EVALUATION

- 5.1. There will be no more computerized evaluation
  - 5.1.1 For AIBA Controlled Events:
    - 5.1.1.1 There will be assigned Judges Evaluators
    - 5.1.1.2 The Competition Jury members will concentrate on an evaluation of Referees only during the competition
    - 5.1.1.3 Both Evaluators and the Competition Jury members will submit their evaluation results to the Technical Delegate to manage the performance and selection of R&Js for the bouts
  - 5.1.2 For other events:
    - 5.1.2.1 The Competition Jury members will evaluate the performance of both Referees and Judges during the competition and to submit the results to the Technical Delegate
    - 5.1.2.2 Time protocol sheets will only be available if requested by the Technical Delegate assigned R&J Evaluators.

## 6. R&J IN-COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

- 6.1. Unification of R&Js must be done before the start of each international event by the organization of a mandatory one full day seminar conducted by a designated AIBA R&J Instructor.
- 6.2. R&J Meeting / Assessments
  - 6.2.1. Each day, the contest sheets of the previous day should be displayed by the Chairperson of the Competition Jury at least 10 minutes before the start of the R&J Meeting and mistakes should be highlighted.
  - 6.2.2. R&Js should not be able to take the contest sheets.
  - 6.2.3. The R&J Meeting should be conducted by the Chairperson of the Competition Jury - for AIBA Approved and Controlled Events, the Chairman or a member of the R&J Commission shall conduct the meeting.
  - 6.2.4. For other events, the R&J Meeting should be conducted by the Technical Delegate.
  - 6.2.5. Under no circumstances will the Technical Delegate endorse an R&J Record Book with an opinion of performance at a tournament – The Technical Delegate shall specify the number of bouts officiated by each R&J.
- 6.3. The R&J Lounge
  - 6.3.1. The R&Js' lounge and meeting room should be comfortable, have proper chairs and tables and should be clean.
  - 6.3.2. The lounge should be checked and approved by the Technical Delegate before the event to satisfy the requirements.
- 6.4. Hotel Accommodation
  - 6.4.1. The R&Js' hotel should be separate from the Team Delegations' hotel but could be the same as the AIBA Family and ITOs.
- 6.5. Accreditation – Access Zone Definition
  - 6.5.1. R&Js should only get access to the Field of Play and R&J Lounge.

## 6.6. Dress Code

6.6.1. All R&Js in AIBA Approved Events shall wear uniforms provided by AIBA.

## 6.7. Code of Conduct

6.7.1. AIBA R&J Code of Conduct should be signed for all events by participating R&Js.

# 7. R&J DATABASE MANAGEMENT

## 7.1. AIBA R&J Database Maintenance

7.1.1. The AIBA HQs Office maintains all records of R&Js on their participation, evaluation and personal information.

7.1.2. Except the performance evaluation, all information shall be available to the public.

## 7.2. AIBA Commission Members

7.2.1. Membership to AIBA and Confederation R&J Commissions is restricted to persons who were active on the AIBA R&J lists with a 3-Star status.

7.2.2. Membership to the AIBA R&J Commission is further restricted to candidates who have served at least two years on their Confederation R&J Commission.

7.2.3. Active AIBA R&Js cannot be members of R&J Commissions at any level.

7.2.4. Confederation R&J Commission Chairpersons should be part of the AIBA R&J Commission.

7.2.5. All applicants must have the support of their respective National Federation.

7.2.6. All applications for membership to the AIBA or Confederation R&J Commissions should be submitted to the AIBA or Confederation HQs Office at least three months before the respective Congress.

# 8. WSB R&J MANAGEMENT

## 8.1. Eligibility

8.1.1. Only AIBA 3-Star R&Js shall be able to apply to be a WSB R&J.

8.1.2. No R&J having officiated as R&J in professional boxing is eligible.

## 8.2. WSB R&J Selection

8.2.1. The AIBA R&J Commission approves the selection and dispatch the R&Js to the WSB R&J Certification Program which is managed by WSB.

## APPENDIX H

### RING SPECIFICATIONS AND GUIDELINES

#### 1. THE RING AND ACCESSORIES

##### 1.1. Canvas Size

- 1.1.1. For AIBA Approved Events, the competition ring shall be 6.10m squared (20 feet) inside the line of the ropes.
- 1.1.2. For other events, the minimum size of the inside of the ropes shall be 4.90m squared (16 feet) and the maximum size – 6.10m squared (20 feet).
- 1.1.3. The size of the apron shall extend for 85cm (33.5 inches) outside the line of the ropes on each side for all AIBA Approved Events and at least 46cm (18 inches) outside the line of the ropes on each side for all other competitions, including additional canvas necessary to tighten and secure it.

##### 1.2. Height of Ring

- 1.2.1. For AIBA Approved Events, the height of the ring should be 100cm (3.3 feet) from the ground.
- 1.2.2. For other events, the competition ring shall not be less than 91cm (3 feet) or more than 1.22m (4 feet) above the ground or base.

##### 1.3. Platform and Corner Pads

- 1.3.1. The platform shall be safely constructed, leveled and free from any obstructing projections.
- 1.3.2. For AIBA Approved Events, the platform shall be 7.80m squared (25.6 feet)
- 1.3.3. For other events, the minimum size of the platform shall be 5.82m squared (19.1 feet) and the maximum size – 7.80m squared (25.6 feet)
- 1.3.4. It shall be fitted with four corner posts which shall be well padded or otherwise constructed so as to prevent injury to the Boxers.
- 1.3.5. The corner pads should be arranged in the following way: In the near left-side corner facing the Chairperson of the Competition Jury – red; in the far left side corner - white; in the far right-side corner - blue; and in the near right-side corner - white.

##### 1.4. Surface of Ring Floor

- 1.4.1. The floor shall be covered with felt, rubber or other suitably approved material having the same quality of elasticity and not less than 1.3cm (half an inch) nor more than 1.9cm (three quarters of an inch) thick over which a canvas shall be stretched and secured in place.
- 1.4.2. The canvas shall cover the entire platform and shall be made of non-slippery material.

##### 1.5. Ropes

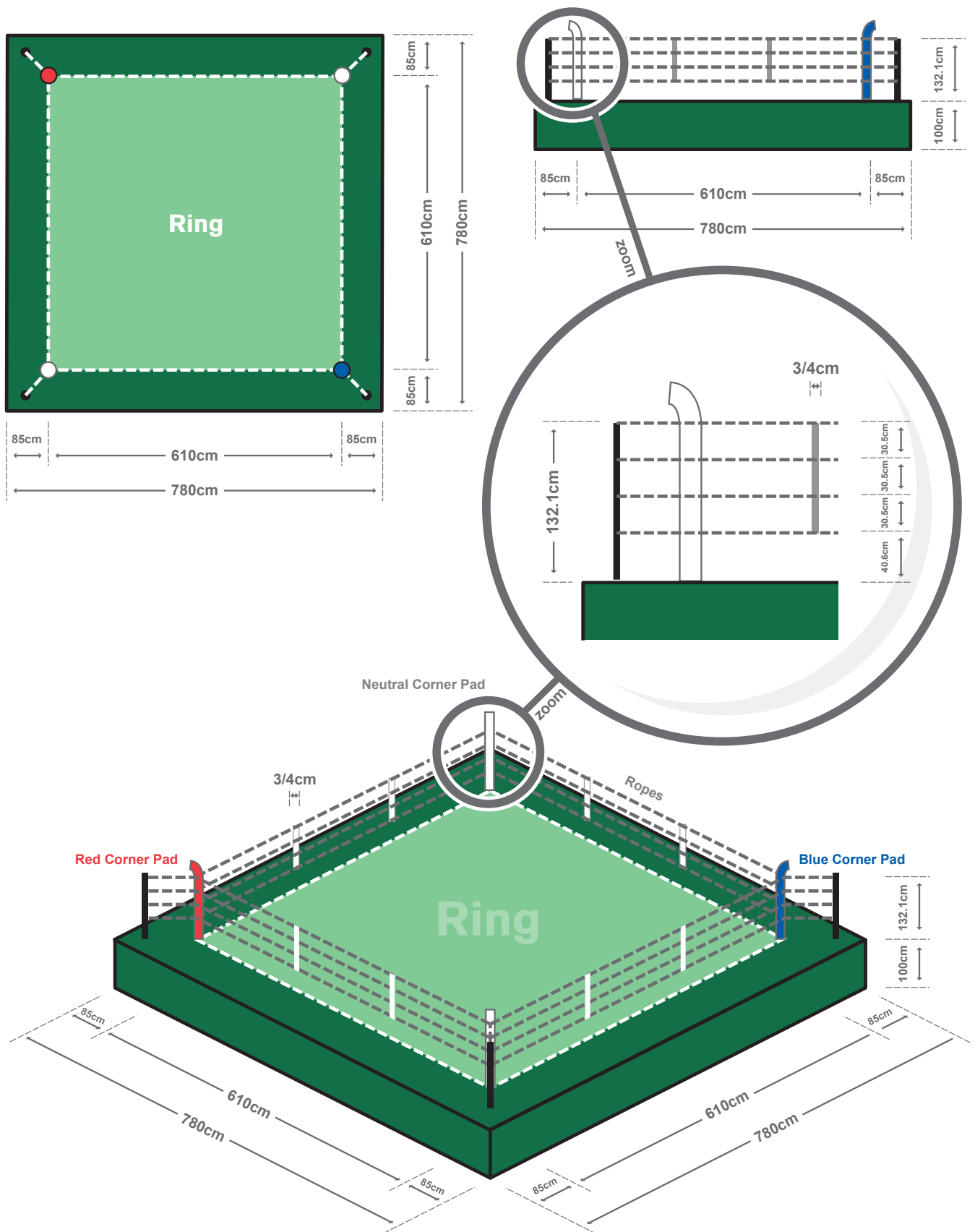
- 1.5.1. All AIBA Approved Events should have 4 separate ropes on each side of the ring. They should be 4cm thick, without considering the cover.
- 1.5.2. The height of the 4 ropes shall be 40.6cm (16 inches), 71.1cm (28 inches), 101.6cm (40 inches) and 132.1cm (52 inches) from the canvas.



- 1.5.3. The 4 ropes shall be joined on each side of the ring, at equal intervals, by two pieces of material (close to the texture of the canvas) 3 to 4cm (1.2-1.6 inches) wide. The two pieces must not slide along the rope.
- 1.5.4. The tension of each section of the rope shall be strong enough to absorb the impact of the Boxer's contact with the rope. However, in any case, the Referee reserves the right to adjust the tension if necessary.
- 1.6. Steps
  - 1.6.1. The ring shall be provided with three sets of steps. Two sets of steps at the opposite corners for the use of the Boxers and Seconds, and one set of steps in the neutral corner for the use of the Referees and Doctors.
- 1.7. Sanitary Bags
  - 1.7.1. In the two neutral corners outside of the ring, a small plastic bag shall be fixed in each corner in which the Medical Jury, Doctors or Referees shall drop the cotton or tissue pads used to nurse bleedings.
- 1.8. Approved Label
  - 1.8.1. For all AIBA Approved Events, the Organizing Committee should use the rings manufactured by one of the AIBA Official Licensees.
  - 1.8.2. All existing rings can be used until 2010. However, after 2010, for all AIBA Approved Events, a new ring with AIBA approved labels must be used.

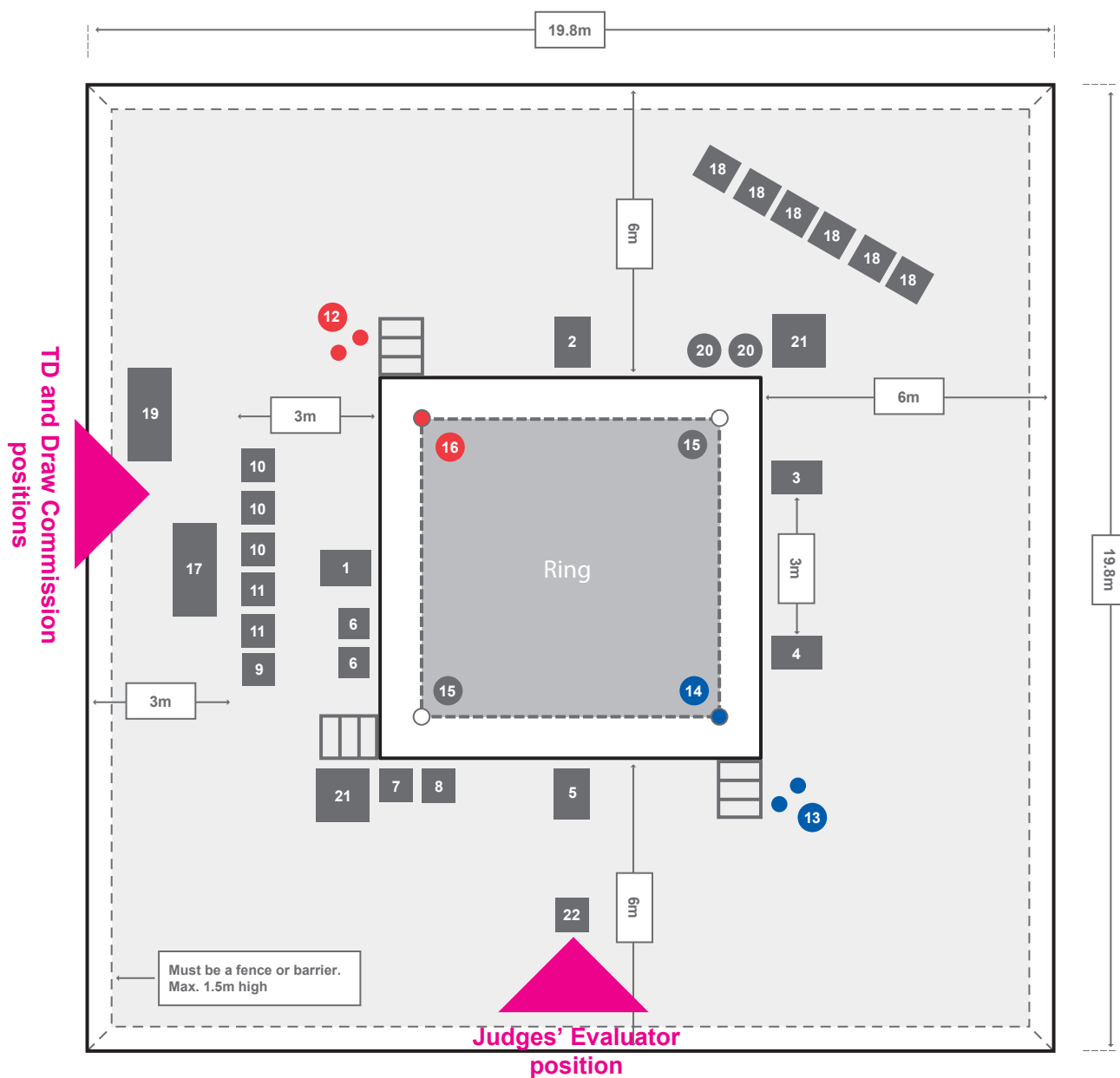
## 2. ACCESSORIES OF THE RINGSIDE

- 2.1. The following are defined as the accessories of the ringside which are required for all AIBA Approved Events:
  - 2.1.1. Gong (with striker) or bell. In the case of two (2) competition rings, one ring is to have a gong and the other ring is to have a bell with two distinctive sounds.
  - 2.1.2. Two seats for Boxers' use during intervals.
  - 2.1.3. Two plastic mugs can to be used for drinking and mouth wash only, and where water is not piped directly to the ringside, two plastic spray bottles and two small plastic bottles for drinking. No other type of water bottle is permitted at ringside for use by the Boxers or seconds.
  - 2.1.4. Tables and chairs for officials.
  - 2.1.5. One (preferably two) stop watches.
  - 2.1.6. One first-aid kit.
  - 2.1.7. One microphone connected to the loudspeaker system.
  - 2.1.8. Two (2) pairs of competition gloves (one in red and one in blue color).
  - 2.1.9. One stretcher.
  - 2.1.10. Two (2) headguards (one in red and one in blue color).



## APPENDIX I FIELD OF PLAY

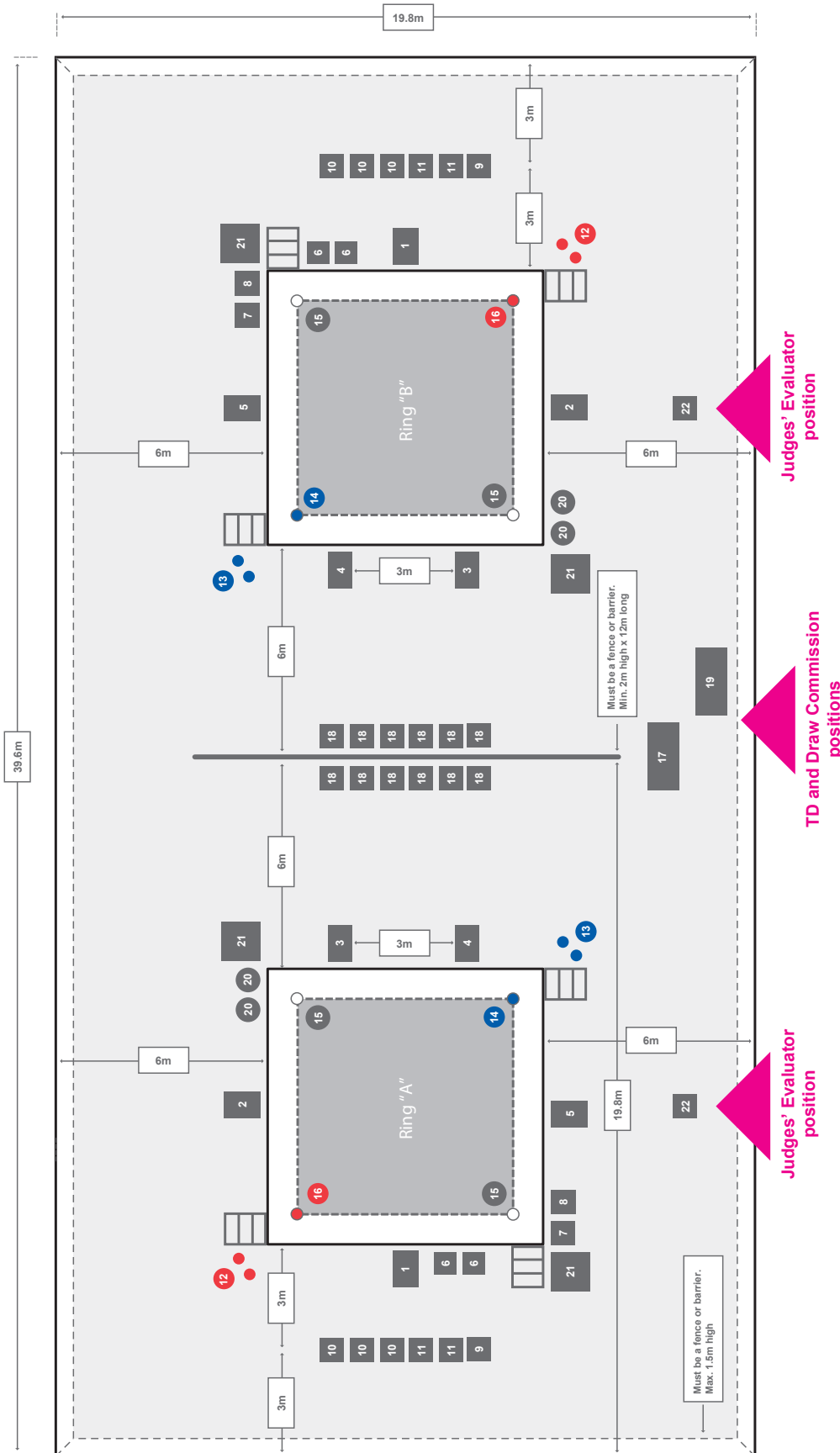
### 1. FOP FORMATION OF ONE RING



1. Judge Position #1
2. Judge Position #2
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4. Judge Position #4
5. Judge Position #5
6. Medical Jury Table
7. Timekeeper
8. Gong Operator
9. Announcer
10. Competition Juries
11. Scoring System Operator

12. Red Corner Seconds
13. Blue Corner Seconds
14. Blue Corner
15. Neutral Corner
16. Red Corner
17. Technical Delegates
18. Standby R&Js
19. Draw Commission
20. Photographers
21. T.V. Camera stand
22. Judges' Evaluator

## 2. FOP FORMATION OF TWO RINGS



1. Judge Position #1
2. Judge Position #2
3. Judge Position #3
4. Judge Position #4
5. Judge Position #5
6. Medical Jury Table
7. Timekeeper
8. Gong Operator
9. Announcer
10. Competition Juries
11. Scoring System Operator

12. Red Corner Seconds
13. Blue Corner Seconds
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15. Neutral Corner
16. Red Corner
17. Technical Delegates
18. Standby R&Js
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## **APPENDIX J**

### **GLOVE AND HEADGUARD SPECIFICATIONS AND GUIDELINES**

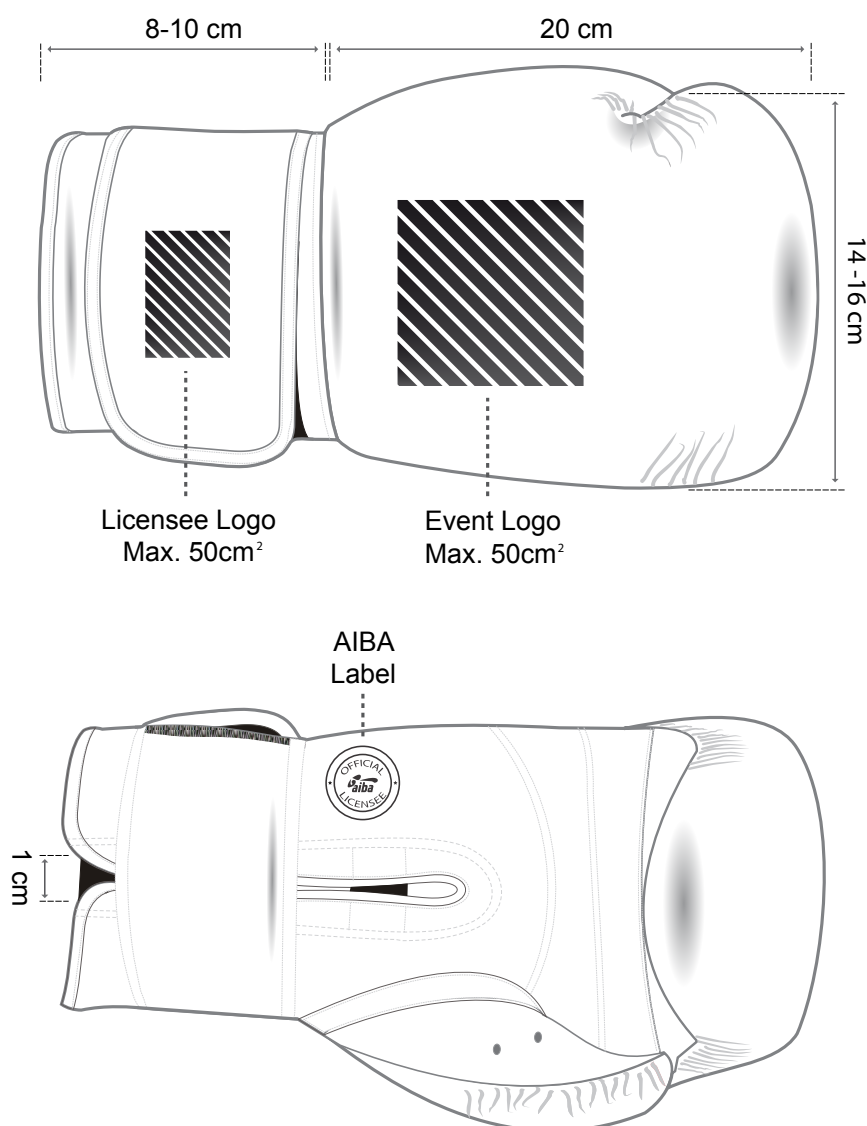
#### **1. GLOVES**

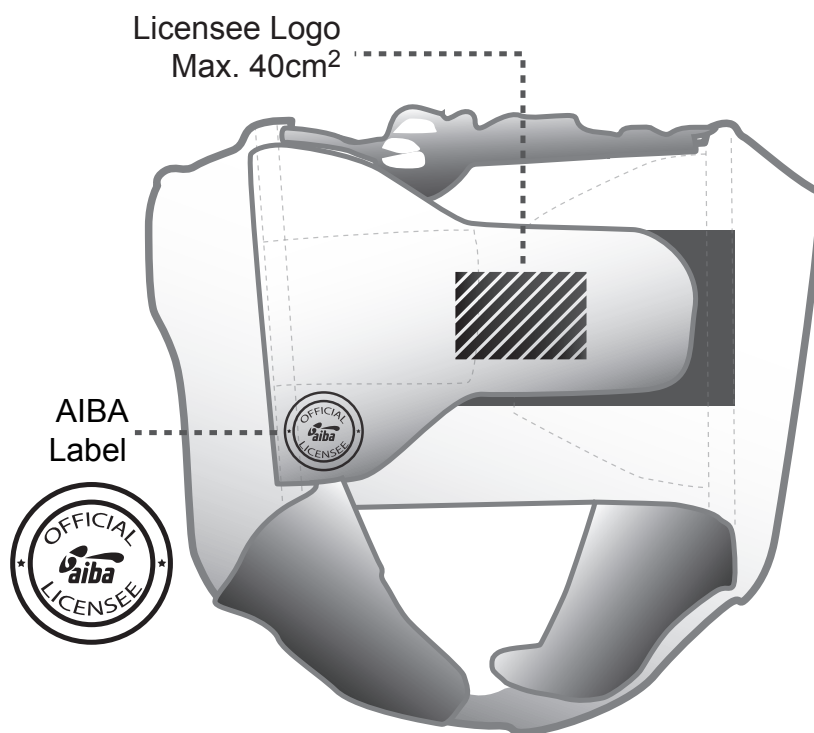
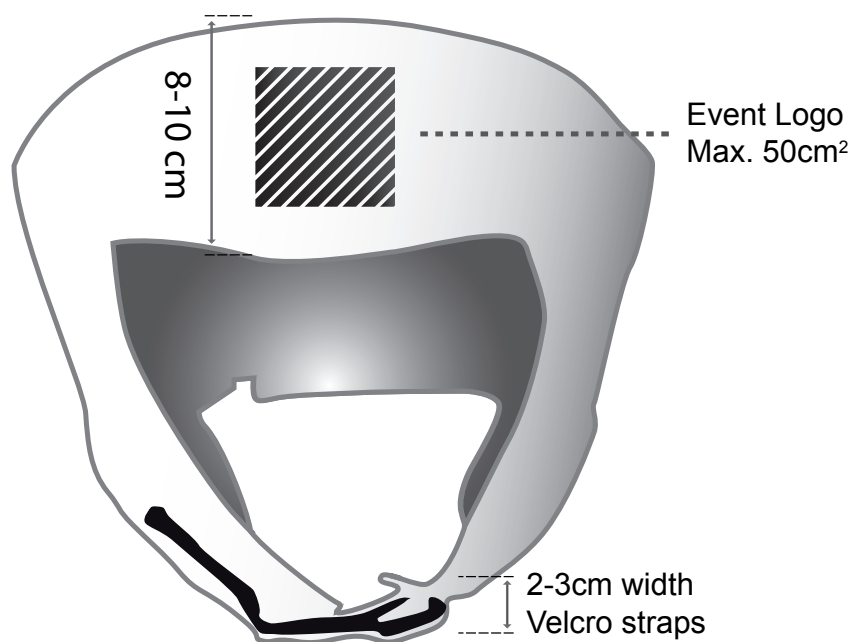
- 1.1. Boxing gloves shall weigh 284 grams (approx. 10 oz), with a tolerance of 5% up or downwards, of which the leather portion shall not weigh more than half of the total weight, and the padding portion shall not weigh less than half of the total weight. The margin of 5% would also apply downwards and upwards, respectively.
- 1.2. The size of the boxing gloves shall respect the measurements as described in the graphic below.
- 1.3. Only boxing gloves with Velcro closing systems shall be approved for all AIBA Approved Events.
- 1.4. The leather portion of the boxing gloves shall be made of high quality leather such as
  - 1.4.1. Cowhide leather.
  - 1.4.2. Grade A leather.
  - 1.4.3. Others of equivalent quality subject to AIBA's approval.
- 1.5. The thumb should be fixed to the main body of the boxing gloves by the top part and with a maximum gap of 10 millimeters.
- 1.6. The event identification may be printed and may be displayed at the following positioning and measurements:
  - 1.6.1. Maximum 50cm<sup>2</sup> (fifty square centimeters) on the front top part of each glove.
- 1.7. The official supplier's logo may be printed and may be displayed at the following positioning and measurements:
  - 1.7.1. Maximum 50cm<sup>2</sup> (fifty square centimeters) on the wrist of each glove.
- 1.8. Any other form of advertising shall be prohibited such as and non limited to figurative logo, design mark, script and manufacturer name, etc.
- 1.9. The AIBA label should be placed on the internal part of the gloves.

#### **2. HEADGUARDS**

- 2.1. Headguards shall weigh a maximum of 450 grams (approx. 16 oz).
- 2.2. Headguards shall be allowed in competition in 3 mandatory sizes (S=Small, M=Medium, L=Large).
- 2.3. Only headguards with Velcro closing systems shall be approved for all AIBA Approved Events.
- 2.4. The measurements of the headguards shall respect the dimension as described in the graphic below.
- 2.5. The padding of the headguards shall respect a minimum thickness of 2cm to 3,5cm

- 2.6. The leather portion of the headguards shall be made of high quality leather such as:
- 2.6.1. Cowhide leather.
  - 2.6.2. Grade A leather.
  - 2.6.3. Others of equivalent quality subject to AIBA's approval.
- 2.7. The event identification may be printed and may be displayed at the following positioning and measurements:
- 2.7.1. Maximum 50cm<sup>2</sup> (fifty square centimeters) on the front part of the headguards.
- 2.8. The official supplier's logo may be printed and may be displayed at the following positioning and measurements:
- 2.8.1. Maximum 40cm<sup>2</sup> (forty square cm) on the back part of the headguards.
- 2.9. Any other form of advertising shall be prohibited such as and non limited to figurative logo, design mark, script, manufacturer name, etc.
- 2.10 The AIBA label should be placed on the internal part of the headguards.





## APPENDIX K

### TERMINOLOGY FOR WEIGHT CATEGORIES AND WEIGHT RANGE

Elite Men and Youth Boy Boxers 10 Weight Categories (from September 1, 2010)		
Weight Category	over kg	to Kg
Light Fly	46	49
Fly	49	52
Bantam	52	56
Light	56	60
Light Welter	60	64
Welter	64	69
Middle	69	75
Light Heavy	75	81
Heavy	81	91
Super Heavy	91	-

Elite Women and Youth Girls Boxers 10 Weight Categories (from September 1, 2010)		
Weight Category	over kg	to Kg
Light Fly	45	48
Fly	48	51
Bantam	51	54
Feather	54	57
Light	57	60
Light Welter	60	64
Welter	64	69
Middle	69	75
Light Heavy	75	81
Heavy	81	-

Olympic Games Elite Women and Youth Girls Boxers 3 Weight Categories		
Weight Category	over kg	to Kg
Fly	48	51
Light	57	60
Middle	69	75

Junior Boys and Junior Girls Boxers 13 Weight Categories		
Weight Category	over kg	to Kg
Pin	44	46
Light Fly	46	48
Fly	48	50
Light Bantam	50	52
Bantam	52	54
Feather	54	57
Light	57	60
Light Welter	60	63
Welter	63	66
Light Middle	66	70
Middle	70	75
Light Heavy	75	80
Heavy	80	-



## **APPENDIX L**

### **AIBA SCORING SYSTEM**

#### **1. KEY FEATURES OF SCORING SYSTEM**

- 1.1. The scoring system is based on the Individual Score.
- 1.2. There is no “one second window” for three Judges to score at the same time.
- 1.3. No running score during the bout, only running time.
- 1.4. Individual Scores of each Judge are displayed during the break.
- 1.5. No computerized Judges’ evaluation.

#### **2. SCORING METHOD**

- 2.1. Per round, each Individual Score is counted.
- 2.2. The scores in each round are the average of three Judges’ score combination which are the closest together called as Similar Scores.
- 2.3. For each round, the results of the Individual Scores are calculated separately for the red Boxer and the blue Boxer.
- 2.4. If at the end of a round more than one Similar Score appears, the Trimmed Mean calculation will apply. The Trimmed Mean is when the highest and lowest Individual Scores are taken out and the average of the remaining three Individual Scores is counted.

#### **3. WARNING**

- 3.1 Warnings are not linked to the Individual Scores but considered with 2 points awarded to the opponent in the Total Score.

#### **4. DECISIONS**

- 4.1 The Winner is the Boxer with the highest Total Score.
- 4.2 In case of a tie in the Final Scores:
  - 4.2.1 First, the Boxer with most points from the total of all Individual Scores.
  - 4.2.2 Second, if the total of all Individual Scores is equal, the Boxer without warning or fewer warnings shall be the winner.
  - 4.2.3 Third, in case of a tie after the above process, the Judges shall be asked to press the button once for the Boxer who has won. The decision is made by the majority of the panel of five (5) Judges.

## 5. DISPLAY OF THE SCORING SYSTEM

5.1 The following display will be shown during the first round

Ring A		48kg	Bout: 1	
NOC code		R1	NOC code	
Name Boxer		0:02	Name Boxer	
Warnings				
1				
Round: R1		R2	R3	
Score:				

5.2 The following display will be shown during the first break after the first round

Ring A		48kg	Bout: 1	
NOC 2		B1	8 NOC	
		0:02		
J1	J2	J3	J4	J5
2	5	5	2	2
Warnings	Round: R1	R2	R3	
1				
Score:	2	8		

5.3 The following display will be shown during the second round

Ring A		48kg	Bout: 1	
NOC		R2	NOC	
Name Boxer		0:02	Name Boxer	
Warnings				
Round: R1		R2	R3	
1	1	2	8	
Score:				

5.4 The following display will be shown during the second break after the second round

Ring A		48kg		Bout: 1	
NOC 11		B2		15 NOC	
		0:02			
J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	
9	12	12	9	8	8
9	10	10	9		
Warnings		Round: R1		R2	
1	1	Score: 2 8		9 7	
				R3	

5.5 The following display will be shown during the third round

Ring A		48kg		Bout: 1	
NOC		R3		NOC	
Name Boxer		0:02		Name Boxer	
Warnings					
Round: R1		R2		R3	
2	1	2	8	9	7
Score:					

5.6 The following display will be shown immediately after the Referee declares the winner

Ring A		Winner		Bout: 1	
NOC 17		Blue		23 NOC	
		Pts			
J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	
15	18	19	14	14	14
14	16	16	14		
Warnings		Round: R1		R2	
2	1	Score: 2 8		9 7	
				R3	

## **APPENDIX M**

### **AIBA COACHES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

#### **1. AIBA COACHES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

- 1.1. The objectives of the new system are to develop long lasting qualified Coaches at all levels (national, continental and international). The comprehensive system for the AIBA Coaches Management System should be controlled centralized and therefore the quality and performance of Coaches at all levels will constantly improve. The new AIBA Coaches Management System is also to prevent that any unqualified Coach has an influence on the image and quality of the sport of boxing.

##### **1.1.1. Coaches Qualifications Policy**

- All AIBA Coaches must be certified by both their National Federation and AIBA
- AIBA Coaches can become WSB Coaches after having followed the WSB coaching program
- WSB Coaches may be AIBA Coaches without any restriction
- AIBA Coaches are also allowed to take positions in National Federations as elected members
- All Coaches active in WSB shall be allowed to participate in Olympic Games and Olympic Qualifying Events at all levels as well as to designated important competitions.

##### **1.1.2. Coaches Performance Management - Coaches Evaluation**

In order to become an AIBA classified Coach, a data form must be submitted to AIBA which will be evaluated by the AIBA Coaches Commission. Only data that is submitted by the National Federation will be taken into account. All Coaches data submitted by the National Federation will receive an official AIBA status. The evaluation will be according to the following criteria:

###### **1.1.2.1. 3-Star Coach (who meets 3 out of 4 qualifications)**

1.1.2.1.1. Current National Head Coach

1.1.2.1.2. Former National Head Coach (within 10 years)

1.1.2.1.3. A Coach who possess the highest national coaching school certificate

1.1.2.1.4. A Coach who has over 20 years coaching experience without any interruption

###### **1.1.2.2. 2-Star Coach (who meets 2 out of 4 qualifications)**

1.1.2.2.1. Current National Head Coach

1.1.2.2.2. Former National Head Coach (within 10 years)

1.1.2.2.3. A Coach who possess the highest or the second highest national coaching school certificate

1.1.2.2.4. A Coach who has over 20 years coaching experience without any interruption

Or, 2-Star Coach (who has the following qualifications)

1.1.2.2.5. Current National Assistant Coach

1.1.2.2.6. A Coach who possess the national coaching school certificate

1.1.2.2.7. A Coach who has over 10 years coaching experience without any interruption

1.1.2.3. 1-Star Coach (who meets 2 out of 3 qualifications)

1.1.2.3.1 Current National Trainer

1.1.2.3.2. A Coach who has over 5 years coaching experience without any interruption

1.1.2.3.3. A Coach who possess the national coaching school certificate.

#### 1.1.3. Coaches In-Competition Management

1.1.3.1. For all AIBA 3-Star Events, each participating National Federation must have at least one 3-Star level Coach because only 3-Star Coaches are allowed in the position of Seconds. Each National Federation must have one mandatory 3-Star Coach along with another level Coach.

1.1.3.2. In the registration of the Team Delegation form, a copy of the 3-Star Coaches certification must be submit and Coaches will need to bring a valid AIBA ID card.

Also all registrations of 3-Star Events will be checked through the AIBA Database to make sure that the subscription is valid.

1.1.3.3 Until the new Coaches Management System is in place, a two years grace period is active until the end of December 2012 for all Coaches.

1.1.3.4. 1-Star level Coach:

1.1.3.4.1. All Coaches who are qualified up to national level and are active in National and AIBA 1-Star Events only

1.1.3.5. 2-Star level Coach:

1.1.3.5.1. All Coaches who are qualified up to national and international levels and are active in continental and AIBA 2-Star Events only

1.1.3.6. 3-Star level Coach:

1.1.3.6.1. All Coaches who are qualified as National Coaches and active in AIBA 3-Star Events.

#### 1.1.4. Coaches Control Test

1.1.4.1. To ensure that Coaches remain active and updated to the AIBA Coaching Requirements, they have to be active at AIBA Approved Events which correspond to their Star status according to the frequency given below. If not, the Coaches will lose their Star status and an AIBA Coaches Control Test needs to be conducted.

1.1.4.1.1. 1-Star Coach: every 4 years

1.1.4.1.2. 2-Star Coach: every 3 years

1.1.4.1.3. 3-Star Coach: every 2 years

The validity period of the license will be extended for 2 to 4 years (depending on Star status) from the year of the tournament.

#### 1.1.5. Coaches Database

- 1.1.5.1. All Coaches data forms submitted by National Federations will be registered in the AIBA Coaches Database. The National Federations are responsible to send the filled AIBA Coaches data forms to the AIBA HQ Office. All registered Coaches will receive an AIBA certification when being evaluated.

#### 1.1.6. Coaches Academy Management

- 1.1.6.1. The AIBA Coaches Commission will not only evaluate the current level of the Coaches, it will also develop the training courses and examinations at all levels. This will allow all Coaches to follow the process of obtaining the right level of certification.
- 1.1.6.2. For graduation from a 2-Star Coach to a 3-Star Coach status, all courses and examinations will be organized by the AIBA Coaches Commission and will only take place at the AIBA Boxing Academy.
- 1.1.6.3. For graduation from a 1-Star Coach to a 2-Star Coach status, examinations will take place in each different region and will be done by the Academy Instructors and AIBA designated Examiners.
- 1.1.6.4. To obtain the 2-Star Coaches Certification, the Coaches data form must be submitted to the AIBA HQs Office and an evaluation by the AIBA Coaches Commission will determine the level following the criteria given.

#### 1.1.7. World Series of Boxing Coaches Management

- 1.1.7.1. With the launch of the World Series of Boxing in 2010, further development and guidelines are set towards for the Coaches involved in this new and exciting program. The following issues are applicable for WSB Coaches:
  - 1.1.7.1.1. All WSB Coaches should be existing AIBA Coaches
  - 1.1.7.1.2. WSB Coaches should be developed from 3-Star Coaches
  - 1.1.7.1.3. AIBA should also allow WSB Coaches to come back to AIBA without any restriction.