WORLD SERIES OF BOXING (WSB)

COMPETITION RULES

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COMPLIANCE TO THE RULES

These WSB Competition Rules apply to the World Series of Boxing and are the only WSB Competition Rules worldwide for which AIBA National Member Federations, WSB Franchises, boxing members, clubs and boxing family must follow and respect in all their competitions in accordance to activities at all levels. No National Federation may develop its own Competition Rules that are contradictory to these WSB Competition Rules. The AIBA Technical Rules also apply to WSB Competitions.

DEFINITIONS

"AIBA" means the International Boxing Association;

"AIBA Competitions" means any Boxing Match, Competition, Event, League or Tournament which is authorized and approved in accordance with the AIBA Technical Rules and AIBA 3 Programs Competition Rules (AOB, APB and WSB);

"AIBA Official Boxing Equipment Licensee" means the contracted licensee of AIBA who is approved to produce the official equipment for use at all WSB Competitions;

"AOB" means AIBA Open Boxing;

"Bout" means the boxing contest between two Boxers taking place as part of a competition;

"Boxer" means any athlete registered by an AIBA National Member Federation and a member of AIBA;

"Boxer's Agreement" means the standard form of contract issued by WSB for the World Series of Boxing entered into between each Boxer and a Franchise;

"Coach Certification" means the permission to act as a Coach in AIBA Competitions granted by any National Federation, after the person passes examinations and obtains a certificate;

"Competition Official" means any person appointed or certified to act as a Referee, a Judge, a Supervisor, a Ringside Doctor, an International Technical Official or any assigned position in AIBA Competitions;

"Competition Year" means each consecutive annual period from July 1 to June 30;

"Confederation" means each AIBA continental affiliated organization;

"Disciplinary Code" means the code governing disciplinary matters applicable to AIBA, each Confederation, each National Federation and any Official, including Competition Official, or Boxer;

"Exhibition Match" means any boxing competition organized by a Franchise from time to time during the Competition Year involving a Squad and which is not a Regular Season or Play-Off Match but follows the same rules as a Match;

"Field of Play (FOP)" means the competition area which extends to 2 meters from all 4 sides of the ring where only Competition Officials can enter;

"Franchise" means the entity granted the right by WSB to operate a Team in the World Series of Boxing and to compete with a Squad of Boxers in Matches;

"Franchise Bandage/Glove Inspector" means the individual appointed by each Franchise for the purpose of inspecting the bandages of the Boxers of the opponent Team prior to the Bouts;

"Match" means any Bouts between two Teams that takes place consecutively on the same day and in the same location;

"Match Staging Regulations" means the regulations published and/or adopted by WSB from time to time relating to the staging of any Match, and which will be provided to the Franchises prior to the start of each Season;

"Medical Handbook" means the rules published by AIBA in relation to the medical standards required to be observed by a Boxer and by any other Official prior to, during and after any competition;

"National Federation" means a legal entity recognized by AIBA as the governing body for the sport of boxing is its respective country;

"Medical Restriction Period" has the meaning given to it in the Medical Handbook;

"**National Level Competitions**" means the boxing competitions organized and/or sanctioned by a particular National Federation and to which only Boxers registered from that National Federation participate;

"Olympic Year" means the year in which the Summer Olympic Games are held;

"Play-Off Match" means any Play-Off Match between Franchises in the World Series of Boxing which takes place at the conclusion of all Regular Matches to decide the final World Series of Boxing standings at the end of each Season;

"Rules" means the AIBA Technical Rules, AIBA 3 Programs Competition Rules (AOB, APB and WSB), AIBA Code of Ethics, AIBA Disciplinary Code, AIBA Procedural Rules, AIBA Anti-Doping Rules AIBA Medical Handbook and WSB Transfer Rules;

"Season" means the period of time in each Competition Year during which the World Series of Boxing do take place, commencing one month before the first Match of the World Series of Boxing and ending fifteen days after the last Match of the World Series of Boxing;

"Seconds" means the Coaches or Trainers who are certified by AIBA and who are allowed to act in the corner of the ring;

"Squad" means a Squad of Boxers employed from time to time by a Franchise from which the Team is selected;

"Supervisor" means the person who is appointed by WSB to be responsible for all technical and competition related issues in WSB Competitions; A Supervisor in WSB must be certified for all AIBA Competitions;

"Team" means the members of the Squad representing a Franchise in any Match;

"Team Officials" means the Team Managers, Coaches and Doctors entered by a Franchise in any WSB competition but does not include the Boxers;

"Team Roster" means the list of Boxers submitted by a Franchise to compete in any one Match;

"WSB" means the World Series of Boxing as organized and administered by the World Series of Boxing SA which was created and is owned by AIBA.

COMPETITION FORMAT

1. WSB Regular Season

In the Regular Season Franchises will be split into groups as determined by WSB.

The WSB Group Draw will be conducted to define the position of each Franchise within a group.

1.1. Team Ranking

1.1.1. During the Regular Season the following points will be attributed:

- Score, 5-0, 4-1, 4-0, 3-0, 2-0, 1-0: the winning Team will get three (3) points and the losing Team will get zero (0) points;
- Score 3-2, 3-1 or 2-1: the winning Team will get three (3) points and the losing Team will get one (1) point;
- Draw: each Team will get two (2) points;
- Cancellation: the Team that cancels a Match (where such cancellation is due to the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event - as defined in the Franchise's Agreement) will be automatically deemed to have lost by 5-0 and above mentioned allocation of points will apply.

1.1.2. The overall ranking of the Teams will be decided by the highest number of points won during the Regular Season. In case of equal points, it will be decided by (in descending order):

1. Least number of Walkovers
2. Superior number of Matches won among the Teams in question (on a head to head basis)
3. Superior number of Bouts won among the Teams in question (on a head to head basis)
4. Superior number of Matches won
5. Superior number of Bouts won
6. Superior number of accumulated individual points during contested bouts (for clarification purposes the following decisions are awarded 150 points for the bout: KO, ABD, RSC, RSC-I, DKO)
7. Highest number of Knockouts
8. Coin toss

1.1.3. The Host Team, with the approval of the Supervisor, may change the Bout order of a Match prior to the Technical Meeting.

1.1.4. Where the cancellation of a Match is for a reason other than the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, the Franchise responsible for the cancellation will, in addition to the consequences of article 1.1.1of the Competition Format have 3 points deducted from its Team ranking. In addition to this sanction, the infringing Franchise will have to pay a financial penalty of fifty thousand (50,000) US Dollars. The relevant Franchise will also be subject to a sanction to be determined by the AIBA Disciplinary Commission in accordance with the WSB Disciplinary Rules.

1.1.5. For each Walkover given by a Franchise during the Regular Season, one (1) point will be deducted from its Team ranking. In addition to this sanction, the infringing

Franchise will have to pay a financial penalty of ten (10,000) US Dollars per Walkover during the Regular Season and Play-Offs. Where more than one (1) Walkover is given by a Franchise during the same Match, the relevant Franchise will be subject to a sanction to be determined by the AIBA Disciplinary Commission in accordance with the WSB Disciplinary Rules.
If the reason for the Walkover is an injury that has occurred onsite and the neutral Ringside Doctor certifies the injury, this article will not apply.

1.2. Play-Offs & Finals

1.2.1. In accordance with the WSB Competition Schedule for the relevant season the qualified Franchises of the Regular Season will contest the Play-offs and the Finals under the Knockout system. The winner is determined by the number of Bouts won. If the two Teams are equal on points after the ten Bouts, the winner is determined by an eleventh Bout: the Tie-Breaker Bout. The Weight Category of the Tie-Breaker Bout for the Play-offs and Finals will be determined by the WSB Draw before the start of the Regular Season.

1.2.2. The Play-Off pairings shall be determined in accordance with the below graphic. The higher ranked Team of each pairing will contest the first Match at home and the return Match away..

1.2.3. If the Boxer notified as being the Tie-Breaker Bout Boxer does not attend the Weigh-In of the Play-Off Match, such non-attendance will be counted as a Walkover and the Team will be sanctioned accordingly (regardless of whether a Tie-Breaker Bout is required or not to decide the Play-Off Match).

1.2.4. No Boxer may compete twice during the same Play-off or Final stage.

1.2.5. WSB reserves the right to change the playoff format depending on the number of teams competing in the regular season.

1.3. Finals

The Finals will be held at a Venue designated by WSB. The two (2) qualified Franchises of the Play-Off Semi-Finals contest the Finals in two (2) consecutive evenings. The WSB reserves the right to change the finals format.

2. WSB Individual Ranking

2.1. During the Regular Season, an individual ranking will be established per Weight Category.

2.2. The ranking will be decided by the highest number of points obtained by a Boxer during the Regular Season.

2.3. In case of an equal amount of points, the ranking will be decided by number of Bouts won by each decision type, in descending order, as per the table below, with the smaller order number will prevail over the higher order number:

Order	Decision	Points to Winning Boxer	Points to Losing Boxer
1	Knockout (KO)	5	0
2	Abandon (ABD)	5	0
3	Referee Stops Contest (RSC)	5	0
4	Win by Points (WP), by unanimous decision	5	0
5	Win by Points (WP), by split decision or "preferential" decision	4	1
6	Referee Stops Contest-Injury (RSC-I)	5	0
7	Disqualification (DSQ, BDSQ or DQB)	5	-1
8	Walkover (WO) by Injury	5	0
9	Walkover (WO) by Force Majeure	5	0
10	Walkover (WO) by Overweight	5	-1
11	No Contest by Rule 4.11.1.1 of AIBA Technical Rules	2	2
12	No Contest by Rule 4.11.1.2 of AIBA Technical Rules	-1	-1
13	Technical Draw (TD)	1	1
14	Double Knockout (DKO)	0	0

2.4. In case of equal ranking after following the above rule, it will be decided by (in descending order):

- Head to Head
- Number of Bouts competed in, less is prevailing
- Highest number of Bouts won in away Matches during the Regular Season
- Least number of warnings during the Regular Season
- Coin toss

3. World Championships and Olympic Games Qualification:

RULES FOR COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

RULE 1. ELIGIBILITY OF BOXERS

1.1. It is mandatory that each Franchise has a minimum of two (2) Boxers per Weight Category. There is no upper limit on the number of Boxers that a Franchise may have in its Squad.

1.2. There is no limit on the number of international Boxers per Squad. Each Team shall have at least three (3) national boxers from the country of the franchise participating in each Match. In case of doubt: teams can only use 2 foreign boxers per match.

1.3. The maximum number of international Boxers from the same country permitted in any Franchise's Squad is three (3).

1.4. Prior to the start of each Season, each Franchise must notify WSB of the National Federation to which its Boxers are affiliated. A Boxer cannot change his nationality or his affiliation to a National Federation unless he has done so in accordance with the procedure set out in the AOB Competition Rules. Until such time as the change in affiliation of a Boxer is confirmed by (i) the Boxer's original National Federation, (ii) the Boxer's new National Federation and (iii) AIBA, WSB will only have regard to the affiliation originally notified to WSB prior to the start of the relevant Season.

1.5. WSB Boxers are permitted to compete in, but not limited to, the Olympic Games and any competition which is a pre-requisite to the Boxer's qualification for their participation in the Olympic Games such as:

1.5.1. National Championships and Continental Qualifiers prior to the World Boxing Championships provided that such World Boxing Championships are recognized as an official Olympic Qualifying Competition by AIBA;

1.5.2. World Boxing Championships provided that such World Boxing Championships are recognized as an official Olympic Qualifying Competition by AIBA;

1.5.3. Continental Olympic Qualifying Competition(s).

1.6. The Boxer is allowed to participate in other competitions each Season as agreed between the Franchise, the Boxer and the National Federation.

1.7. Any Boxer who is eligible to compete in AOB Competitions shall be eligible to compete in WSB.

1.8. A Team can register as many Boxers as they require for their Squad however the Squad shall be composed of less than 50% of Boxers with professional records. In addition less than 50% of the

Bouts across the Regular Season and less than 50% of the Bouts in each Play-Off stage (incl. the Finals) shall be contested by Boxers with professional records.

RULE 2. REGISTRATION OF BOXERS

2.1. Boxers must be 18 years old (or must be turning 18 in the year of the WSB season) and meet all of the elegibility requirements of the AIBA Technical Rules (Classification, Membership and Eligibility) to register and compete in WSB.

2.2. Each Franchise has to submit its Team Roster of ten (10) Boxers (5 proposed starting Boxers and 5 reserve Boxers) and all mandatory documents (passport, boxer agreement, medicals and anti-doping form) to WSB at the latest **7 days prior** to the start time of the upcoming WSB Match. In the case of the second Leg of the Play-Off Matches (including the Final), the Team roster must give details of 12 Boxers (5 proposed starting Boxers, 5 reserve Boxers, 1 Tie-Breaker Bout Boxer and 1 Tie-Breaker Bout reserve Boxer). For the avoidance of doubt the Team Roster for each Leg must include the three national Boxers as per rule 1.2. and must not exceed the maximum number of Boxers with a professional record as per rule 1.8.

2.3. Each Franchise must be present on site no later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the start time of the upcoming WSB Match. The violation of this rule will be brought to the attention of the AIBA Disciplinary Commission and may lead to disciplinary sanctions.

2.4. A Boxer who represents a Franchise as a competitor during a WSB Season must be registered within any of the two (2) WSB registration periods set out below. However, each Franchise will be allowed five (5) exceptions to the registration periods, but such exception applies only in respect of national Boxers or boxers registered in the Pool of Foreign Boxers. In order to register a Boxer, the Franchise must send the following documents to WSB through the AIBA database:

- Copy of the Boxer's passport;
- Copy of the Boxer's Agreement, duly signed by all parties;
- Copy of the Boxer's Medical Examinations (AIBA Medical Certificate & WSB Medical Appendix), which will be valid for the entire season;
- Copy of the Athlete Consent Form, signed by the boxer
- Copy of the Boxer's Alpha Course Certification (optional)
- 2 Standardized Photos (as per the WSB Photography Guideline)

WSB must formally approve and confirm the registration of a Boxer before that Boxer will be considered as registered for the relevant Season.

2.5. Foreign Boxers must be registered in accordance to the WSB Foreign Boxers Draft Regulations.

2.6. Registration periods are the following:

- **"**1st Registration Period" shall mean the period beginning four (4) calendar months prior to the start date of the Competition and ending one (1) calendar month prior to the start date of the Competition;

- "2nd Registration Period" shall mean the period beginning twenty-four (24) hours after the completion of the last Match of the Regular Season and ending (96) hours prior to the scheduled start time of the first Match of the Play-Offs;

Boxers who are not properly registered with WSB on or before the registration deadline will not be permitted to compete in the relevant Season, except in extraordinary circumstances and with WSB's consent.

2.7. The Franchise must register all coaches and supporting staff (i.e. doctors, physios, etc.) that will form part of any Franchise Team delegation. In order to register a Coach or supporting staff, the Franchise must submit passport details of the coaches and support staff via the AIBA Database at least one (1) month prior to the Match.

2.8. The host Franchise of a Match shall support the visa application process and provide a visa support letter to the traveling Franchise no later than one (1) month prior to the start of the Match.

2.9. Within two (2) days of receipt of the visa support letter, the travelling Franchise shall upload the visa application for the travelling delegation on the AIBA database.

2.10. In the event of cancellation of a Bout or Match due to a refused visa application, the matter may be put to the AIBA Disciplinary Commission for consideration and disciplinary sanction.

2.11. Any transfer of Boxers between two Franchises must be completed in accordance with the WSB Transfer Rules. For more information, please refer to appendix C: Foreign Boxers Draft Regulaiton.

2.11.1. Travel costs, accommodation and food

2.11.1.1.1. The National Federation calling for the release of a Boxer will be responsible for the travel costs incurred by this Boxer as a result of the release request and relevant accommodation and food whilst the Boxer is on international duty as arranged by such National Federation;

2.11.1.1.2. A Boxer requesting to be released to participate in an external competition will be responsible for his own travel costs, accommodation and food from the start to the end of the release period.

2.12. A Boxer can only box within the Weight Category that the Boxer was registered in during the registration period. After the registration period, the Boxer can change Weight Category one time, if the Boxer has not boxed yet in the Weight Category he was registered to compete during a WSB Season.

2.12.1. Any foreign Boxer wishing to join a WSB Franchise must be registered to the Pool of Foreign Boxers. A Franchise can select a Foreign Boxer through the WSB Draft system or under rule 2.4. during the season.

2.12.1.1. Franchises can retain the Foreign Boxers in their Squad and must confirm them to WSB no later than two (2) working days prior to the WSB Foreign Boxer's Draft. Retained boxers shall be re-registered in the AIBA database during the registration periods as per rule 2.6.

2.13. Rest Period - Boxers must respect a minimum rest period of ten (10) days between two (2) Bouts.

RULE 3. WEIGH-IN

In all Matches and Exhibition Matches:

3.1. All Boxers must attend the Official Weigh-In the day before the day of the Match or Exhibition Match. The Weigh-In must be organized no more than thirty six (36) hours before or at latest 3pm the day before the start of the first Bout of the Match or Exhibition Match. The Supervisor reserves the right to relax this condition, if unavoidable circumstances occur.

3.2. The Weigh-In must be conducted by the Supervisor and Officials authorized by WSB. A Team Official of the Franchise which the Boxer represents may be in attendance at the Weigh-In; however, and under no circumstance is the Team Official allowed to interfere in the process of the Weigh-In.

3.3. The Boxer's weight is the weight in kilograms as shown on the scale, the body being naked except for a swimming suit or underwear. When necessary, the Boxer may take off his underwear with a proper guidance by the Supervisor. Electronic scales should be used. The Supervisor will certify the official scale.

3.4. At the Weigh-In, the Boxer's weight must not exceed the maximum of the Boxer's Weight Category nor be below the minimum of the Boxer's Weight Category.

3.5. Test scales will be officially open for two (2) hours before the start of the Weigh-In. A violation of this rule by the Franchise hosting the relevant Match will be brought to the attention of the AIBA Disciplinary Commission and may lead to disciplinary sanctions.

3.6. Upon arrival of the away Team at the hotel in the host city, the local Team must provide an electronic scale, which must be of the same manufacture and calibration as the scales used at the Weigh-In. This rule applies as from 72 hours before the start of the Match. A violation of this rule by the Franchise hosting the relevant Match will be brought to the attention of the AIBA Disciplinary Commission and may lead to disciplinary sanctions.

RULE 4. NON COMPLIANCE WITH WEIGHT LIMIT AT OFFICIAL WEIGH-IN

4.1. At the Weigh-In:

4.1.1. If the Boxer exceeds or is under the weight limit of his category by 500 grams or less, the Boxer will be permitted to compete in the relevant Match and points for the Bout will be awarded normally. The Boxer and the relevant Franchise may be subject to a fine determined by the AIBA Disciplinary Commission in accordance with the WSB Disciplinary Rules for violating the AIBA Technical Rules and WSB Competition Rules.

4.1.2. If a Boxer exceeds or is under the weight limit of his category by more than 500 grams, the Boxer will not be permitted to compete in the relevant Match and the Bout will be awarded as a win ("Walkover by Overweight") to the opponent of the Boxer. If both Boxers exceed or are under the weigh limit of their category by more than 500 grams, both Boxers will not be permitted to compete and both Boxers shall be deemed to have lost the Bout ("Walkover by Overweight"). The Boxer and the relevant Franchise may be subject to a disciplinary fine determined by the AIBA Disciplinary Commission in accordance with the WSB Disciplinary Rules for violating the AIBA Technical Rules and WSB Competition Rules.

4.1.3. If both Boxers exceed or are under the official weight limit by 500 grams or less, both Boxers will be permitted to compete in the relevant Match. Both Boxers will be subject to sanctions determined by the AIBA Disciplinary Commission in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules for violating the AIBA Technical Rules and these WSB Competition Rules;

RULE 5. DURATION AND NUMBER OF ROUNDS

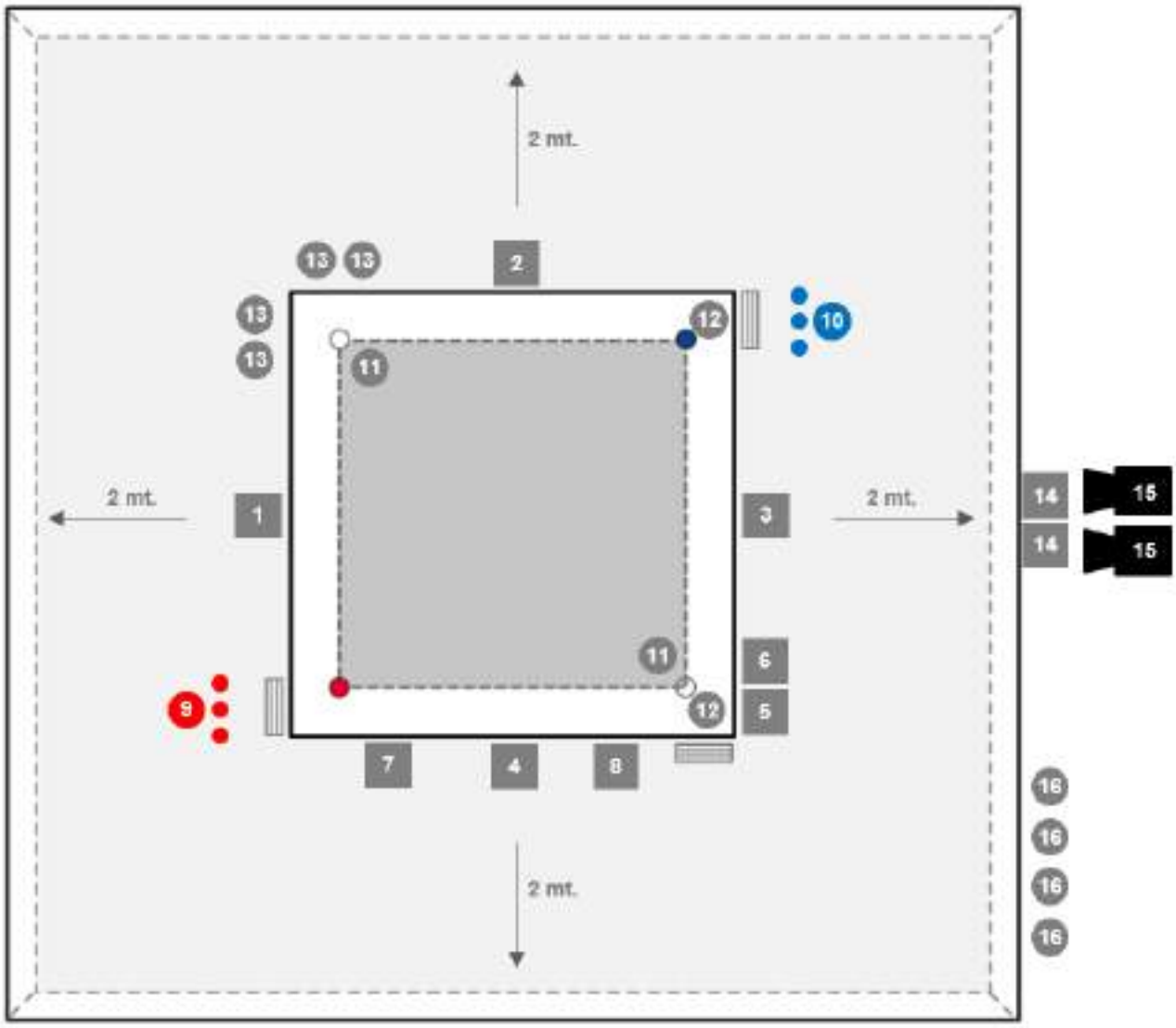
5.1. In all Regular Matches and Play-Off Matches, the Bouts will consist of five (5) rounds of three (3) minutes each.

5.2. Franchises can submit a request to WSB for an exception to Rule 5.1 for an Exhibition Match. Such request must be submitted at least one (1) month prior to the Exhibition Match.

5.3. In all Matches, one (1) minute of rest must be given to the Boxers between rounds.

5.4. WSB allows to show the scoring on TV between the rounds during world feed and/or professional commentator.

RULE 6. FIELD OF PLAY (FOP)



1: Judge 1
2: Judge 2
3: Judge 3
4: Supervisor
5: Official Announcer
6: Timekeeper/Gong Operator
7: Scoring Operator
8: Ringside Doctors
9: Red Corner Seating Area
10: Blue Corner Seating Area
11: Neutral Corner
12: Camera Men
13: Photographers
14: Commentators
15: Main Camera
16: Ring Girls

RULES FOR COMPETITION OFFICIALS

RULE 7. SUPERVISOR

7.1. The Supervisor must be certified as AIBA Supervisor.

7.2. For all Matches, WSB will appoint a Supervisor.

7.3. The Supervisor will give directions to the Franchise to ensure that the Franchise will comply with the Match Staging Regulations and with all Rules.

RULE 8. COMPETITION MANAGER

8.1. The Competition Manager must be appointed by the Franchise and approved by WSB.

8.2. The Competition Manager is responsible for the planning, organization, management and conduct of the competition. The Competition Manager must be competent in English.

RULE 9. RINGSIDE DOCTORS

9.1. Ringside Doctors have the authority and responsibilities given to them under the Medical Handbook.

RULE 10. REFEREES & JUDGES

10.1. Eligibility

10.1.1. For the avoidance of doubt, the AIBA Referee & Judges' qualification criteria (set out in the AIBA Referee & Judges' Management Guidelines) apply to all WSB Referees & Judges.

10.1.2. All candidates must meet the requirements of the Medical Handbook in respect of their physical fitness to officiate.

RULES FOR COMPETITION EQUIPMENT

RULE 11. BOXING GLOVES SPECIFICATIONS

11.1. All Matches must be contested using new gloves that meet the requirements of Appendix A and that are manufactured by one of the WSB Official Boxing Equipment Licensees.

11.2. The Franchises will be responsible for bringing gloves for their Boxers to all Matches.

11.3. During the Technical Meeting, the Franchises will give their competition gloves to the Supervisor who will check them and give them back to the Head Coach of each Team one (1) hour before the start time of the Match.

11.4. Boxers must put on their gloves in the respective locker rooms in the presence of an authorized Franchise Bandage/Glove Inspector.

11.5. The gloves must be taken off immediately after the Bout is over and before the decision is announced.

11.6. The padding of the gloves must not be displaced or broken.

RULE 12. BANDAGES

12.1. All WSB Bouts must be contested using new bandages that are manufactured by one of the AIBA Official Boxing Equipment Licensees and are provided by the local Franchise for both Teams.

12.2. Use of Bandages (Gauze)

Bandages must be applied in the locker room, in the presence of an authorized Franchise Bandage/Glove Inspector. The Franchise Bandage/Glove Inspector will sign off directly on the bandage verifying its compliance as outlined below.

12.3 Specifications

12.3.1 In all Weight Categories, the bandages for each hand must be applied as follows:

12.3.1.1 Gauze: a maximum fifteen (15) meters length and five (5) centimeters width may be used to cover the hand and an additional five (5) meters length and ten (10) centimeters width may be applied as padding to cover the knuckles area;

12.3.1.2 Surgeon's Tape: a maximum of five (5) meters length and 2.50 centimeters width;

12.3.1.3. Surgeon's tape of no more than a maximum of five (5) millimeters width may be applied between fingers.

12.3.1.4. A Boxer may apply his bandages as he likes, however the knuckles of the Boxer's hand should not be covered by the surgeon's tape. The surgeon's tape application must start minimum 1 cm back from the tip of the middle knuckle.

12.3.1.5. The use of any substance on the bandages is prohibited.

RULE 13. HEADGUARDS

13.1 In WSB Competitions, headguards are not allowed.

RULE 14. COMPETITION UNIFORM

14.1. Boxers must box in light boots or shoes (without spikes or heels), socks (not to be worn higher than knee length) and trunks.

14.2. The length of the trunks must not be shorter than mid-thigh and cannot cover the knee; and must not be worn above the belt line. The belt line is an imaginary line from the navel to the top of the hips and must not cover the navel.

14.3. In WSB Competitions, no shirts shall be worn by men.

14.4. Teams must have trunks of two different colors which must be approved by WSB before the start of the Season.

14.5. Teams must wear their Team uniform during the Weigh-In, press conferences, Team presentations during Events and for other WSB marketing and promotional activities.

14.6. Each Franchise is obliged to comply with the WSB Branding Guidelines with regard to the positioning of the Franchise logo on the apparel.

14.7. Referees & Judges must wear only the proper attire as designated by WSB.

14.8. Referees & Judges may use surgical gloves when officiating.

APPENDIX A - EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES (GLOVES)

1. The gloves must weigh ten (10) ounces and twelve (12) ounces, with a tolerance of 5% up or downwards, of which the leather portion must not weigh more than half of the total weight, and the padding portion not less than half of the total weight. The margin of 5% must also apply downwards and upwards, respectively.

2. The size of the gloves must respect the measurements as described in the graphic below.

3. Only boxing gloves with a lace closure system may be used. The glove closure system must be covered by surgical tape (maximum two layers around the lace) on the wrist part of the gloves to avoid any cut or laceration for the opponent.

4. The leather portion of the gloves must be made of high quality leather such as cowhide leather, Grade A leather or other leathers of equivalent quality subject to approval by WSB.

5. The thumb must be fixed to the main body of the gloves with a maximum gap of 10 mm.

APPENDIX B – FOREIGN BOXERS DRAFT REGULATION

INTRODUCTION TO THE WSB FOREIGN BOXERS DRAFT

This document sets out the regulations for the Foreign Boxers selection during the Foreign Boxers Draft, "Draft". The Draft is to allow all Franchises to complete and strengthen their Squads. These regulations have been created to ensure a clear procedure to be followed during this event with the objective of giving fair treatment to all Franchises.

All Franchises are required to send at least one representative to the Draft. If the Franchise requires more individuals to attend in order for them to achieve their strategy for a successful Draft, the Franchise must inform WSB for approval. WSB has the ultimate right to refuse individuals' attendance to the Draft.

RULE 1. BOXER ELIGIBILITY

1.1. The draft will include all Foreign Boxers correctly registered by their National Federations through the AIBA Database by the established deadline. A Boxer shall be eligible for selection in the WSB draft if he has satisfied all the requirements mentioned in Rule 1 referring to Boxers Eligibility of the WSB Competition Rules.

1.2. It shall be a matter for WSB to determine the eligibility status of a Foreign Boxer in accordance with the relevant Rules and regulations including but not limited to the AIBA Technical Rules and the WSB Competition Rules.

1.3. Every Foreign Boxer that participates in the Draft shall make best endeavors not to incur any major injury that would prevent the Foreign Boxer from competing for the respective Franchise from the start of the upcoming WSB Season.

RULE 2. POOL OF FOREIGN BOXERS

2.1 Registered Foreign Boxers can potentially participate in the upcoming WSB Season and will be available for selection by the participating Franchises to complete their Squads during the two official registration periods: Foreign Boxers Draft and 2nd Registration Period as well as during the season as an exception under Rule 2.4. of the WSB Competition Rules.

2.2 A Franchise can only recruit Foreign Boxers from the Pool of Foreign Boxers to complete their Squad during any of the Registration Periods in accordance with Rule 2.6 of WSB Competition Rules.

2.3 The Pool of Foreign Boxers will be open for National Federations to register their Boxers through the AIBA Database for the whole Season and will be closed as per Rule 2.6 of the WSB Competition Rules.

2.3.1 A National Federation can only register up to two Boxers per weight category to the Pool of Foreign Boxers.

2.3.2 The Foreign Boxers who are not selected in the Draft will remain in the Pool of Foreign Boxers and will be available for the Franchises during the season and for the 2nd Registration Period between the Regular Season and the Play-Offs, unless the National Federation explicitly indicates to remove any Boxer.

2.3.3 The Pool of Foreign Boxers is only valid for one (1) WSB Season and all Foreign Boxers that were not selected must register again to be considered for the following Season.

RULE 3. OBLIGATIONS

3.1 By registering and participating in the Draft all Stakeholders (National Federations, Franchises and Boxers) are subject to the following conditions:

3.1.1 They confirm by registering and/or participating that they consent to the terms and conditions as set out in the Foreign Boxers Draft regulations;

3.1.2 They acknowledge their obligations to assist and confirm that they shall provide all the required information and documents to those parties involved in the draft procedure as reasonably required;

3.1.3 They acknowledge that failure to comply with the Foreign Boxers Draft regulations and other relevant Rules may result in disciplinary action.

3.2 By registering and participating in the Draft all National Federations and Boxers participating in the Draft are subject to the following conditions:

3.2.1 The National Federation and Foreign Boxer concerned are responsible for ensuring all information entered on registration is correct and shall provide any proof that may be required upon request;

3.2.2 Shall advise WSB immediately regarding any major injuries that could hinder the Boxer's participation for the upcoming Season in the timeframe between the registration and the actual Draft;

3.2.3 Acknowledges that a Boxer registered to the Pool of Foreign Boxers must be available throughout the entire WSB Season except for the Olympic Qualifying Events indicated on registration.

3.3 By registering and participating in the Draft all Franchisees participating in the Draft are subject to the following conditions:

3.3.1 All Franchises shall confirm to WSB their Retained Foreign Boxers for the upcoming Season at least two (2) working days prior to the Draft as under Rule 2.12.1.1. of the WSB Competition Rules. After this date, WSB reserves the right to approach any Boxer not confirmed to register for the Draft;

3.3.2 The Franchisees confirms that all drafted Boxers shall be available for the National Federation during the indicated Olympic Qualifying Events based on their registration specifications;

3.3.3 Agrees to cover any costs relating to an injury that occurs during the WSB Season unless the Boxer has been previously insured by his National Federation.

RULE 4. FORMAT OF THE DRAFT

4.1 Terms of the Draft

4.1.1 All Franchises will be provided with the following information regarding the registered Boxers in the Draft:

4.1.1.1 Weight category
4.1.1.2 Height
4.1.1.3 Stance
4.1.1.4 Age
4.1.1.5 Achievements (if applicable)
4.1.1.6 Video links (if applicable)
4.1.1.7 Availability

4.1.2 It is a matter for each Franchise to ensure they have correctly researched the Boxers of their interest. WSB shall accept no responsibility for any error or omission in the information provided by the National Federation.

4.2 Procedure

4.2.1 Selection

4.2.1.1 Every WSB Franchise will have the right to contact any boxer registered in the pool of foreign boxers as soon as the foreign boxer registration has ended and WSB has provided all Franchisees with the list of eligible Forein boxers.

4.2.3 Selection Criteria

4.2.3.1 A Franchise shall not select more than three (3) Foreign Boxers of the same country.

4.2.3.1.1 Retained Foreign Boxers from previous Seasons are included in this number.

4.2.3.3 A Franchise cannot select a Boxer already contracted by another Franchise.

4.2.3.4 Any boxers from WSB franchises may be transferred or loaned to other franchises (transfer or loan of national or foreign boxers between WSB teams is allowed).

4.2.4 Quotas

4.2.4.1 All National Federations can register Boxers to the Pool of Foreign Boxers

4.2.4.2 For the respective WSB Season a maximum of ten (10) Foreign Boxers from any one nationality may be registered in the competition across all Franchises.

4.2.4.2.1 For the avoidance of doubt, this number shall include Retained Boxers.

4.2.4.2.2 A Franchise can only register one (1) Foreign Boxer from the same nationality and weight category in its Squad.

4.2.4.2.3 Once the maximum number has been reached, no further Boxers of that nationality may be selected by any Franchise.

4.2.4.2.4 If a National Federation registers Boxers to the Pool of Foreign Boxers in a weight category in which the National Federation already has retained Boxers registered with one or more Franchises, the newly added Boxers will be available for the draft as long as the aforementioned clauses will be fulfilled.

4.3 Based on the interest of National Federations to place Boxers in WSB Franchises, the National Federation of origin of the Boxer and the Franchise will share the costs related to the Boxers' participation in the competition as in the structure below:

	Relocating Boxer	Non-relocating Boxer
Bonus	Franchise	
Medical Check for WSB	Franchise	
Visa for WSB Matches	Franchise	
Flights for WSB Matches	Franchise	
Personal/NF Coach expenses	National Federation	
Medical Treatment	Franchise	National Federation
Training	Franchise	National Federation
Accommodation	Franchise	National Federation

4.4 The maximum bonus payments for drafted Boxers executed by the respective Franchise is as follows:

Decision Type	Bonus Payment
Win	$ 2,500
Loss	$ 500
Draw	$ 500
Walkover*	$ 0
Disqualification*	$ 0

* Walkovers and Disqualifications of Boxers will be reviewed by the Disciplinary Commission. Perpetrators may be subject to sanctions and fines – rule 1.1.5. applies in this case.

RULE 5. DRAFTED BOXERS

5.1 Signing of the contract

5.1.1 After receiving the eligible foreign boxer list from the WSB, all Franchises can contact the any listed Foreign Boxers and in case of contractual agreement shall send WSB a copy of all the signed Boxer agreements, signed by the Franchise and his National Federation.

5.2 Participation in other competitions

5.2.1 Boxers will not be able to participate in other AIBA events during the Season, except for AOB Olympic Qualifiers, unless the Franchise which picks the Boxer consents and informs the Boxer, his National Federation and WSB in writing before the start of the Season.

APPENDIX C - TRANSFER & LOAN RULES

INTRODUCTION

These Rules lay down the binding rules concerning the status of Foreign Boxers and their transfer between Franchises to participate in the World Series of Boxing.

These Rules are intended to protect contractual stability and pay due respect to mandatory national law and collective bargaining agreements, while upholding the integrity of the Competition of the World Series of Boxing.

RULE 1. REGISTRATION OF BOXERS

1.1. A transferred Foreign Boxer or a Foreign Boxer on loan needs to be registered with the Transferee like any other Boxer as well.

1.2. The procedure to register any Boxer and the thereby associated requirements are outlined in Rule 2. of the WSB Competition Rules.

1.3. Only Foreign Boxers may be transferred or loaned.

RULE 2. TRANSFER OF FOREIGN BOXERS

2.1 The transfer of a registration of a Foreign Boxer may only take place in the event that the Foreign Boxer in question still has a valid Boxer Services Agreement with a Franchise participating in WSB.

2.2 In case the Boxer Services Agreement of a Foreign Boxer has expired he must be re-registered through the Pool of Foreign Boxers by his National Federation in order to join another WSB Franchise.

2.3 The transfer of the registration of a Foreign Boxer from a Transferor to a Transferee may take place during any of the two (2) Registration Periods in accordance with rule 2.6 of WSB Competition Rules provided that:

2.3.1 the Transferor and the Transferee enter into a written contract (the **Transfer Contract**) setting out the terms and conditions of the transfer including the fee to be paid to the Transferor if any (the "**Transfer Fee**");

2.3.2 the Transfer Contract is conditional upon the Foreign Boxer consenting to the transfer and entering into a new Boxer Services Agreement with the Transferee; and

2.3.3 the Transfer Contract is subject to compliance by the Transferee with all employment laws applicable to the employment or engagement of the Foreign Boxer by the Transferee.

2.3.4 WSB has reviewed all the relevant Transfer documents and confirms the transfer of the registration

2.4 No Franchisee may enter into negotiations with any Foreign Boxer contracted to another Franchise with respect to any transfer of the registration of that Foreign Boxer without the prior written consent of the other Franchise.

RULE 3. LOAN OF FOREIGN BOXERS

3.1 A Foreign Boxer may be loaned to another Franchisee on the basis of a written agreement between him and each of the Franchisees concerned. Any such loan shall be

subject to the same rules as apply to the transfer of Foreign Boxers.

3.2 All Loan Agreements are subject to the approval of WSB and to any restrictions on registration as set out in the WSB Competition Rules.

3.3 The minimum loan period shall be the time between two Registration Periods.

3.4 The Franchise that has accepted a Foreign Boxer on a loan basis is not entitled to transfer him to a third Franchisee unless the transfer of the Foreign Boxer has been completed.

3.5 Both Franchises can agree to share the payment of the salary of the Foreign Boxer established in the Loan Agreement during the Loan Term. The receiving Franchise will be responsible for discharging all obligations in accordance with the Loan Agreement.

3.6 Any change in the terms and conditions of the Boxer Services Agreement must have consent of the Foreign Boxer.

RULE 4. ENFORCEMENT OF DISCIPLINARY SUSPENSIONS

Any disciplinary suspension imposed on a Foreign Boxer prior to a transfer must be enforced or applied by the Transferee at which the Foreign Boxer is registered. The Transferor is obliged to notify the Transferee of any outstanding sanction in writing prior to the completion of the Loan Contract.

RULE 5. COMPETENCE OF WSB DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION

Without prejudice to the right of any Foreign Boxer or Franchise to seek redress before a civil court for employment-related disputes, the WSB Disciplinary Commission is competent to hear:

5.1 disputes between Franchises and Foreign Boxers in relation to the maintenance of contractual stability, in particular regarding the issue of sporting sanctions or compensation for breach of contract;

5.2 employment-related disputes between a Franchise and a Foreign Boxer of an international dimension; and

5.3 disputes between Franchises in relation to any alleged breaches of these Rules.

RULE 6. MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

Matters not provided for in these Rules and cases of force majeure shall be decided by the WSB Disciplinary Commission, whose decision is final.