AIBA PRO BOXING (APB) COMPETITION RULES

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APB Competition Rules - 1

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COMPLIANCE TO THE RULES

These APB Competition Rules apply to the AIBA Pro Boxing and are the only APB Competition Rules worldwide that AIBA National Member Federations, 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 APB Competition Rules. The AIBA Technical Rules also apply to APB 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 APB Competitions;

"AOB" means AIBA Open Boxing;

"APB" means AIBA Pro Boxing;

"APB Competitions" means competitions regulated by these APB Competition Rules;

"APB Boxer License" means the permission to fight in APB Competitions granted by AIBA and/or by any National Federation affiliated with APB;

"APB License Card" means the license card issued to each Boxer who registers for an APB Boxer's License;

"**APB Ranking Commission**" means the commission established by AIBA to regulate and accredit rankings for Boxers;

"**BMA**" means the Boxing Marketing Arm, the exclusive marketing agency for all AIBA commercial properties, managing all properties of AOB, APB and WSB and owned by AIBA and third party investors;

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

"Bout Card" means an Event consisting of several Bouts;

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

"**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;

"Confederation" means each AIBA continental affiliated organization;

"Continental Level Bout" means a Bout with Boxers competing for a position in the Continental Ranking and/or for the Continental Title;

"**Cycle**" means the period of time in each Competition Year during which the APB Events will take place, starting on the day of the first APB Event in such Competition Year and ending on the day of the last APB Event in such Competition Year;



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

"**Event**" means any APB Competition consisting of one or more Bouts organized by APB/BMA or by National Federations from time to time during the Competition Year, the results of which will be considered for APB National, Continental or World Rankings accordingly;

"Exhibition Event" means any APB Competition consisting of one or more Bouts organized or authorized by APB/BMA or by National Federations, the results of which will not be considered for APB National, Continental or World Rankings;

"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;

"Individual Physical Contact Sport" means any of the following sports in any of its forms: Aikido, Cage Fighting, Judo, Ju-jitsu, Karate, Kendo, Kickboxing, K-1, Muaythai, MMA, Sambo, Savate, Sumo, Taekwondo, Wrestling, Wushu and such other sports as may be deemed by AIBA to be an individual physical contact sport;

"**Inspector**" means the person appointed by the APB Supervisor to check the gloves and bandages before any Bout;

"**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;

"**National Level Bout**" means a Bout with Boxers competing for a position in the National Ranking and/or for the National Title;

"**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;

"Official Challenger" means the Boxer who has qualified to fight against the Champion for the Title;

"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 and AIBA Medical Handbook;

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

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

"**Team Officials**" means the Team Managers, Coaches and Doctors entered by a National Federation in APB Competitions but does not include the Boxers;

"World Level Bout" means a Bout between Boxers competing for a position in the World Ranking and/or for the World Title.

"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.



RULES FOR COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

RULE 1. ELIGIBILITY OF BOXERS

- 1.1. Any Boxer must have an APB Boxer License to participate in APB Competitions.
- 1.2. Each Bout Card has to be submitted to the AIBA Headquarters prior to the Event as follows:
 - 1.2.1. For National Level Events, at the latest seven (7) days prior to the Event;
 - 1.2.2. For Continental and World Level Events, at the latest thirty (30) days prior to the Event.
- 1.3. APB Boxers are permitted to complete in, but not limited to, the Olympic Games and any competition which is a pre-requisite to the Boxer's qualification for a participation in the Olympic Games such as:
 - 1.3.1. 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;
 - 1.3.2. World Boxing Championships provided that such World Boxing Championships are recognized as an official Olympic Qualifying Competition by AIBA;
 - 1.3.3. Continental Olympic Qualifying Competition(s).
- 1.4. Any Boxer participating in any APB Bout must have competed in at least one National Federation Competition such as Sanctioned National Championships and/or National Qualifying Events, or AIBA Competition prior to such participation, unless AIBA otherwise consents.
- 1.5. Eligibility Required for Current Professional Boxers
 - 1.5.1. Any Boxer who competes in any Bout or Event organized or promoted by <u>any non-AIBA</u> <u>professional boxing organization</u> will not be eligible to compete in APB.
- 1.6. APB Boxers have the right to participate in the following AOB Competitions:
 - 1.6.1. The boxing tournaments that form part of the Continental Multi-Sports Games
 - 1.6.2. Any boxing tournament which is a pre-requisite to the Boxer's qualification for a participation in Continental Multi-Sports Games.
- 1.7. APB Boxers with less than 8 APB Bouts and with no APB Title Record who no longer want to compete in APB Competitions will have one opportunity to return to AOB Competitions with the approval of APB. This will only apply to the APB Boxers who transferred from AOB and/or WSB.
- 1.8. Boxers or National Federations must inform APB about such participation 90 days prior to the start of the permitted AOB Competition.

RULE 2. REGISTRATION OF BOXERS

- 2.1. Boxers must comply with Rules 1 and 2 of the AIBA Technical Rules (Classification, Membership and Eligibility) to register for an APB Competition.
- 2.2. Each Boxer must present his passport and APB License Card at the registration for all Bouts. The name, nationality and date of birth of the Boxer must match the Boxer's APB License Card and be checked prior to competition.



- 2.3. Each Boxer who will or may compete during an APB Competition period must be registered. To register, the Boxer must send to the AIBA Headquarters the following documents:
 - Copy of Boxer's passport;
 - Copy of APB License Card"
 - Copy of Boxer's Promotional Agreement, duly signed by all parties;
 - Copy of Boxer's Medical Examination, duly signed and/or stamped by the Doctor(s) who examined the Boxer.
- 2.4. A Boxer who is not properly registered with APB will not be permitted to compete in the relevant APB Competition.
- 2.5. Submission of the Medical Certificate
 - 2.5.1. For each APB Bout;
 - 2.5.2. The Medical Certificate wil be valid for the entire one Cycle.
- 2.6. Rest Period
 - 2.6.1. Boxers must respect a minimum rest period of:
 - 2.6.1.1. Ten (10) days for any Bout which has a duration of six (6) rounds or less;
 - 2.6.1.2. Twenty (20) days for any Bout which has a duration of more than six (6) round to eight (8) rounds;
 - 2.6.1.3. Thirty (30) days for any Bout which has a uration of more than eight (8) rounds.

RULE 3. WEIGH-IN

- 3.1. All Boxers must attend the Official Weigh-In the day before the Match or Exhibition Match. The Weigh-In must be organized no more than thirty six (36) hours before the start of the first Bout of the Match or Exhibition Match. The APB Supervisor reserves the right to relax this condition.
- 3.2. The Weigh-In must be conducted by the APB Supervisor and Competition Officials authorized by APB. A representative of the Boxer may be present at the Weigh-In; however, the representative is not allowed to interfere in the process of the Weigh-In.
- 3.3. The weight of the Boxer is the weight in kilograms as shown on the scale, the body being naked except for the underwear. When necessary, the Boxer may take off his underwear. Electronic scales must be used. The APB Supervisor or authorized APB Representative 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. If failing to comply to this Rule, "Rule 4" will apply.
- 3.5. Test scales will be officially open for two (2) hours before the Official Weigh-In.

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

- 4.1. For Ranking Bouts, the following Rules will apply:
 - 4.1.1. If the Boxer exceeds or is under the weight limit of his Weight Category by 500 grams or less, the Boxer will be permitted to compete in the relevant Bout. The Boxer will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules.



- 4.1.2. If a Boxer exceeds or is under the weight limit of his Weight Category by more than 500 grams, the Boxer will not be permitted to compete in the relevant Bout and the Bout will be awarded as a win by Walkover to the opponent of the Boxer. The Boxer will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules.
- 4.1.3. If both Boxers exceed or are under the official weight limit of their Weight Category by 500 grams or less, both Boxers will be permitted to compete in the relevant Bout. Both Boxers will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules.
- 4.1.4. If both Boxers exceed or are under the official weight limit of their Weight Category by more than 500 grams, then the Bout will be declared as No Contest. The higher ranked Boxer will be positioned in the winner position in the ranking system and the lower ranked Boxer in the loser position. Both Boxers will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules.
- 4.2. In case of Title Bouts, the following Rules will apply:
 - 4.2.1. If the Champion and/or the Official Challenger exceeds or is under the weight limit of his Weight Category by up to 500 grams or less, the Boxer will be permitted to compete in the Title Bout. The Boxer will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules.
 - 4.2.2. If the Champion exceeds or is under the weight limit of his Weight Category by more than 500 grams and less than 1000 grams, the Champion will be permitted to compete in the Title Bout. If the Champion wins the Bout, the Title will become vacant. The Champion will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules. The Champion becomes the Official Challenger and waits for his next opponent to be determined by the ranking.
 - 4.2.3. If the Champion exceeds or is under the weight limit of his Weight Category by more than 1000 gram, the Champion will not be permitted to compete in the Title Bout and the Title will become vacant. The Champion will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules.
 - 4.2.4. If the Official Challenger exceeds or is under the weight limit of his Weight Category by more than 500 grams and less than 1000 grams, the Official Challenger will be permitted to compete in the Title Bout. If the Official Challenger wins the Bout, the Title will be Vacant. The Official Challenger will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules.
 - 4.2.5. If the Official Challenger exceeds or is under the weight limit of his Weight Category by more than 1000 grams, the Official Challenger will not be permitted to compete in the Title Bout and the Title will remain with the Champion. The Official Challenger will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules.
 - 4.2.6. If both Boxers exceed or are under the official weight limit of their Weight Category by more than 500 grams and less than 1000 grams, both Boxers will be permitted to compete in the Title Bout and will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules for violating the APB Competition Rules. The winner will win the Title.
 - 4.2.7. If both Boxers exceed or are under the official weight limit of their Weight Category by more than 1000 grams, then the Bout will be declared as No Contest and the Title will be vacant. Both Boxers will be subject to sanctions to be determined in accordance with the AIBA Disciplinary Rules.

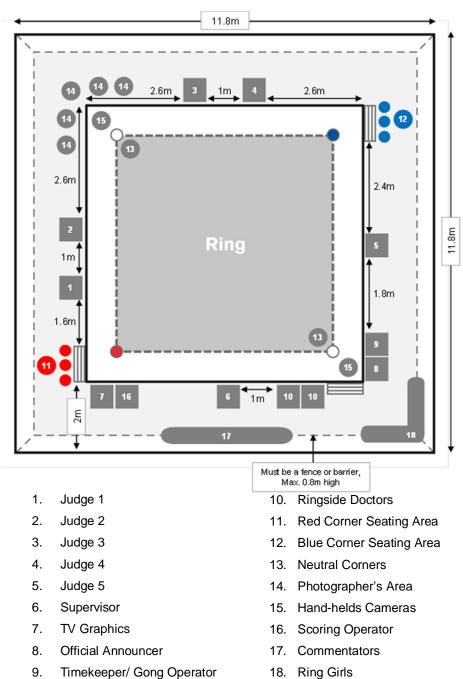


RULE 5. DURATION AND NUMBER OF ROUNDS

- 5.1. All National Regular Ranking Bouts will consist of six (6) rounds of three (3) minutes each.
- 5.2. All National Title Bouts will consist of ten (10) rounds of three (3) minutes each.
- 5.3. All Continental Regular Ranking Bouts will consist of eight (8) rounds of three (3) minutes each.
- 5.4. All Continental Title Bouts will consist of ten (10) rounds of three (3) minutes each.
- 5.5. All World Regular Ranking Bouts will consist of a maximum of eight (8) rounds of three (3) minutes each.
- 5.6. All World Title Bouts will consist of a maximum of twelve (12) rounds of three (3) minutes each.
- 5.7. In all Bouts one (1) minute of rest must be given to the Boxers between rounds.



RULE 6. FIELD OF PLAY (FOP)





RULES FOR COMPETITION OFFICIALS

RULE 7. SUPERVISOR

- 7.1. The Supervisor must be certified as AIBA Supervisor.
- 7.2. For all Events, AIBA will appoint the Supervisor.
- 7.3. The Supervisor will ensure that the Event complies with the APB Operational Manual and with all Rules.
- 7.4. For the World and Continental Level Bouts, the APB Supervisor can be from the same country as either Boxer. However, the APB Supervisor must be from a different country than the country in which the Event is being held.
- 7.5. The duties of the APB Supervisor are cited in the AIBA Technical Officials' Management Guidelines.

RULE 8. COMPETITION MANAGER

For all Level Bouts, the Competition Manager must be appointed by the Host National Federation and approved by AIBA.

RULE 9. RINGSIDE DOCTORS

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

RULE 10. REFEREES & JUDGES

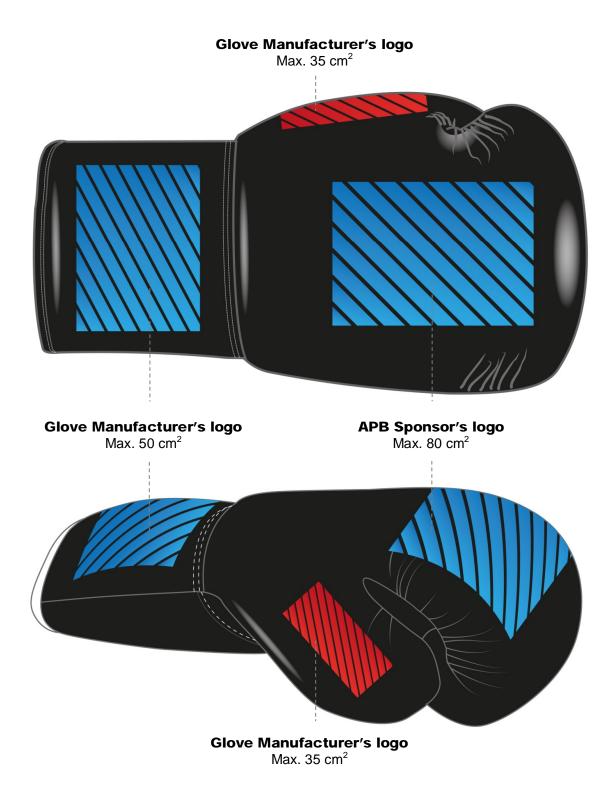
- 10.1. All Referees & Judges must be members of their respective AIBA National Federation and be listed in the AIBA Database. AIBA will nominate R&Js from this list.
- 10.2. All candidates must meet the requirements of the <u>Medical Handbook</u> in respect of their physical fitness to officiate.
- 10.3. APB Referees & Judges are not permitted to officiate in <u>any non-AIBA Competition</u> without AIBA's consent.
- 10.4. An APB Referee & Judge certification is valid for a period of four (4) years; after that period, the Referee & Judge must take part in further examinations.
- 10.5. For World and Continental Level Bouts, the APB Judges must not be from the same country as any of the Boxers competing in such Bouts, unless AIBA otherwise consents.



RULES FOR COMPETITION EQUIPMENT

RULE 11. BOXING GLOVES' SPECIFICATION

- 11.1. All APB Bouts must be contested using new boxing gloves that meet the requirements of Rule 11.6 below and that are manufactured by one of the <u>AIBA</u> Official Boxing Equipment Licensees.
- 11.2. The padding of the gloves must not be displaced or broken.
- 11.3. At Continental and World Level Bouts, APB will be responsible for providing identical pairs of new gloves to the Boxers to use in the Bout. At National Level Bouts, the National Federation will be responsible for providing identical pairs of officially licensed APB gloves to the Boxers for use in the Bout.
- 11.4. Boxers must put on their gloves in the respective locker rooms in the presence of an authorized APB Inspector.
- 11.5. The gloves must be taken off immediately after the Bout is over and before the decision is announced.
- 11.6. Specifications
 - 11.6.1. The gloves must have tolerance of 5% up or downwards of which the skin portion must not weigh more than half of the total weight;
 - 11.6.2. Only APB approved gloves with a lace closure system must be used;
 - 11.6.3. The skin portion of the gloves must be made of high quality leather such as cowhide leather, Grade A leather or other materials of equivalent quality subject to approval by APB.
 - 11.6.4. The thumb of the gloves must be fixed to the main body of the gloves with a maximum gap of 10 mm.
 - 11.6.5. No logos, otherwise than those authorized by APB, must be placed on the gloves.
 - 11.6.6. The logo of the <u>AIBA</u> Official Boxing Equipment Licensee must be displayed in accordance with the <u>AIBA</u> Official Boxing Equipment branding guidelines.



* The logo might not be visible when the tape is wrapped around the wrist on the gloves.

Figure 1 Boxer's Gloves



RULE 12. BANDAGES

- 12.1. All APB Bouts must be contested using new bandages that are manufactured by one of the <u>AIBA</u> Official Boxing Equipment Licensees and are provided by APB at World and Continental Levels and by National Federation at the National Level.
- 12.2. Use of Bandages (Gauze)
 - 12.2.1. Bandages must be applied in the locker room, in the presence of authorized APB Inspectors. The APB Inspectors will sign off directly on the bandages verifying their compliance as outlined below.
- 12.3. Specifications
 - 12.3.1. In all categories, the bandages for each hand must be made of:
 - 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) centimetres width to cover the knuckles;
 - 12.3.1.2. Surgeon's Tape: a maximum 5 meters length and 2.50 centimeters width.
 - 12.3.1.3. Surgeon's tape of no more than a maximum five (5) millimeters width may be applied between the fingers.
 - 12.3.1.4. A Boxer may apply his bandages on his hands as he likes, provided that the knuckles of his hand are not covered by the surgeon's tape.
 - 12.3.1.5. Gauze padding may be used to cover the knuckles.
 - 12.3.1.6. The use of any substance on the bandages is prohibited.

RULE 13. COMPETITION UNIFORM

- 13.1. Boxers must box in light boots or shoes (without spikes or heels) and socks (not to be worn higher than knee length).
- 13.2. Boxers must have two sets of trunks in different colors which must be approved by APB two months in advance.
- 13.3. The length of the shorts must not be shorter than mid-thigh and cannot cover the knee; and may 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.
- 13.4. Logos and designs of shorts and/or robes must comply with the APB Branding Guidelines and must be approved by APB before being produced.
- 13.5. Referees & Judges must wear only the official APB attire.
- 13.6. Referees & Judges may use white or transparent surgical gloves when officiating.





Figure 2 Boxer's Shorts Front



Figure 3 Boxer's Shorts Back



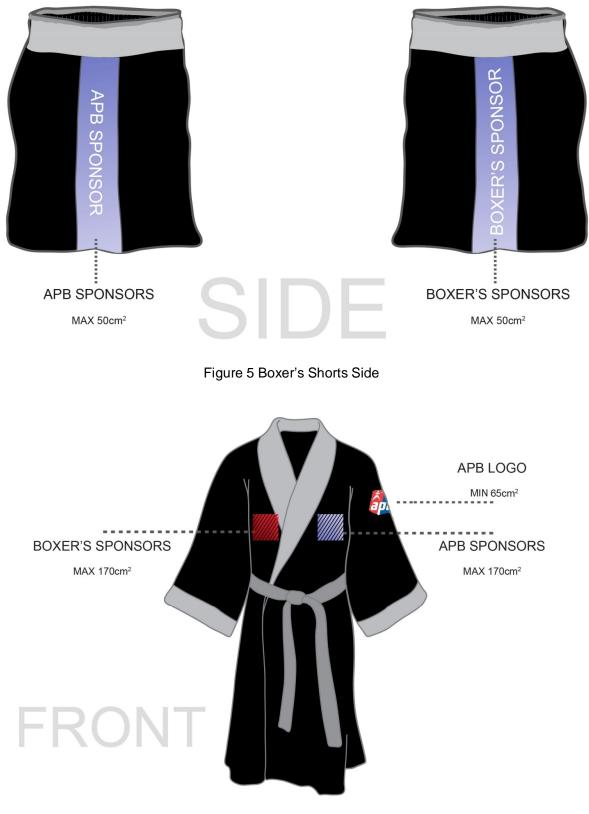


Figure 6 Boxer's Robe Front



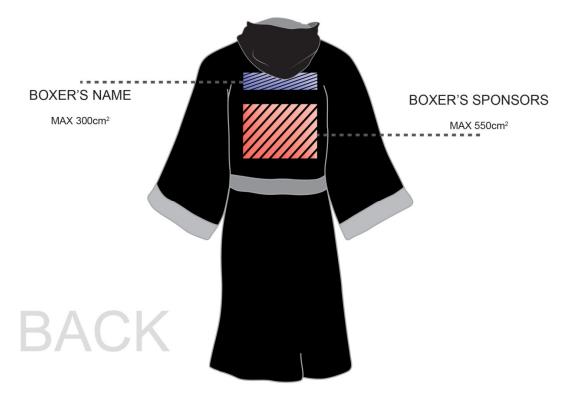


Figure 7 Boxer's Robe Back



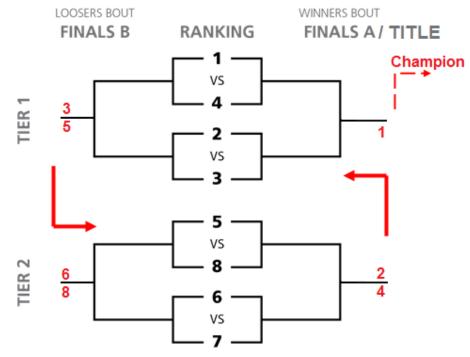
COMPETITION STRUCTURE SPECIFICATIONS

RULE 14. COMPETITION STRUCTURE

- 14.1. APB World Level Regular Cycle
 - 14.1.1. There will be eighty (80) boxers in total for the 2014 Pre-Ranking Competition and 2014 Cycle 1. There will be ninety (90) boxers in total at the World Ranking Level as of the 2015 Cycle 1.
 - 14.1.2. In the regular Cycle Matches, the Boxers will be divided into two (2) Tiers of four (4) Boxers: positions from one (1) to four (4), positions from five (5) to eight (8), plus the Champion who is not part of these groups.
 - 14.1.3. The highest ranked Boxer will fight against the lowest ranked Boxer within the Tier (Initial Bout). The two Boxers ranked in the middle of the Tier will fight against each other. The winners of these two first Bouts will fight against each other (Finals A); as well as the losers of the two first Bouts will fight against each other (Finals B).
 - 14.1.4. For the Tier 1 (ranked 1 to 4), the winner of the Finals A will become the Official Challenger to the Champion.
 - 14.1.5. At the end of each APB Cycle, the record of wins and losses of each Boxer will be considered to establish the next Cycle ranking. The ranking positioning will be defined in the following order.
 - 14.1.5.1. The Winner of the Title Bout will be declared Champion; and the loser of the Title Bout goes to position number one (1);
 - 14.1.5.2. In Tier 1, the Loser of the Finals A of the group of Boxers positioned from one (1) to four (4) will go to position number three (3);
 - 14.1.5.3. In Tier 2, Boxers who have two (2) wins and no loss will go up to position number two (2) of Tier 1;
 - 14.1.5.4. In Tier 3, Boxer who has two (2) wins and no loss will go up to position number five (5) of Tier 2;
 - 14.1.5.5. Boxers who have one (1) win followed by one (1) loss, will take the third position in their initial groups positions seven (7) and twelve (12);
 - 14.1.5.6. In Tier 1, Boxers who have one (1) loss followed by one (1) win will take positions six (6) of Tier 2;
 - 14.1.5.7. In Tier 2, Boxers who have one (1) loss followed by one (1) win will take positions ten (10) of Tier 3;
 - 14.1.5.8. In Tier 3, Boxer who has one (1) loss followed by one (1) win within the last group will go down to Continental Level.
 - 14.1.6. Principle of moving down to Continental Level
 - 14.1.6.1. In Tier 1, Boxers who have two (2) losses will go down to position four (4) at their Continental Level in the next Cycle ranking;
 - 14.1.6.2. In Tier 2, Boxers who have two (2) losses will go down to position eight (8) at their Continental Level in the next Cycle ranking;

- 14.1.6.3. In Tier 3, Boxers who have one (1) loss followed by one (1) win will go to position nine (9) at their Continental Level in the next Cycle ranking;
- 14.1.6.4. In Tier 3, Boxers who have two (2) losses will go to position eleven (11) at their Continental Level in the next Cycle ranking.
- 14.1.7. At the end of each Cycle, four positions (numbers 4, 8, 9, 11) will be vacant for the inclusion of four (4) new Continental Champions. For this inclusion, an Intercontinental Championships will be organized to define the position of each Continental Champion in the World Ranking as explained in APB Competition <u>Rule 14.2.5</u>.
- 14.1.8. In order to define transparent ranking and competition structure for the first regular Cycle, three development stages of competition will take place as described in Appendix B.
- 14.1.9. Bouts Location
 - 14.1.9.1. AIBA will only authorize and certify Bouts held in those locations where the Rules are respected;
 - 14.1.9.2. The World and Continental Titles Bouts must be held in a Venue designated by APB with the approval of AIBA.
- 14.1.10. Mechanism for the 2014 Cycle 1 Competition

The table below shows the mechanism for the 2014 Cycle 1 Competition



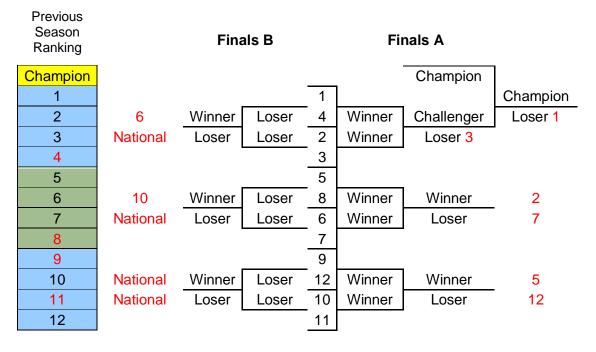
APB WORLD RANKING CYCLE 1 COMPETITION FORMAT

Ranking position after completion of APB World Ranking Cycle 1 Ranking 7 will be reserved for an new Boxer

- 14.2. APB Continental Level
 - 14.2.1. APB Continental Level will be organized with the same format as APB World Individual Ranking Competition.
 - 14.2.2. Principle of moving up to World Level
 - 14.2.2.1. APB rewards boxers who become Continental Champions by elevating them into the world level rankings;
 - 14.2.2.2. An Intercontinental Championship will be organized to define the ranking of the Continental Champions in the following Cycle of the APB World Individual Ranking Competition;
 - 14.2.2.3. All four (4) Continental Champions will be randomly drawn.
 - 14.2.3. Principle of moving down to National Level
 - 14.2.3.1. In Tier 1, Boxers who have two (2) losses will go down to their National Level in the next Cycle ranking;
 - 14.2.3.2. In Tier 2, Boxers who have two (2) losses will go down to their National Level in the next Cycle ranking;
 - 14.2.3.3. In Tier 3, Boxers who have one (1) loss followed by one (1) win will go to their National Level in the next Cycle ranking;
 - 14.2.3.4. In Tier 3, Boxers who have two (2) losses will go to their National Level in the next Cycle ranking.

14.2.4. Mechanism for the Continental Level

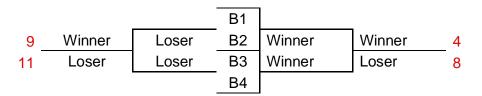
The table below shows the mechanism for the Continental Level



14.2.5. Mechanism for the Intercontinental Championships

The table below shows the mechanism for Intercontinental Championships

Random draw from 4 Continental Champions



Red colored number : Position in the New World Individual Ranking Competition

- 14.3. APB National Level
 - 14.3.1. APB National Level will be organized with the alliance of APB World and Continental Level format.
 - 14.3.1.1. Minimum five (5) boxers per Weight Category must compete to establish National Rankings for the next Continental Level Cycle;
 - 14.3.1.2. National Federations can decide whether to keep the previous ranking to the following Cycle or to draw randomly for the next Cycle.
 - 14.3.2. Principle of moving up to Continental Level
 - 14.3.2.1. Each Boxer takes position by his records according to the APB Scoring System after National Level Cycle;
 - 14.3.2.2. Each Continental Level has minimum one and maximum five positions available after previous Cycle
 - 14.3.2.2.1. Maximum positions: Continental ranking four (4), eight (8), nine (9), eleven (11) and twelve (12);

14.3.2.2.2. Minimum position: Continental ranking twelve (12).

RULE 15. ELEVATION OF BOXERS (REPLACEMENT IN THE COMPETITION)

- 15.1. In case the following occurs in respect to the World Level Boxers, Boxers will be lowered to National Level:
 - 15.1.1. Withdrawing from the competition for more than one (1) year (two (2) Cycles) due to medical reasons;
 - 15.1.2. Voluntarily retiring from the competition for more than one (1) year (two (2) Cycles);
 - 15.1.3. Suspension for disciplinary issue or doping positive test for more than one (1) year (two (2) Cycles).
- 15.2. In respect of the Rule 15.1., Boxers will be automatically elevated by one position and the last position will be declared as vacant and will be filled by a Reserve Boxer.



15.3. In the case of a full retirement or indefinite retirement of a World Ranking Level Boxer (except the Champion), lower ranked Boxers will be automatically elevated by one position and the last position of the ranking will be declared as vacant. At the discretion of the APB Ranking Commission, a Wild Card will be proposed to a Reserve Boxer.

RULE 16. BOUT POSTPONEMENT

- 16.1. For Regular Ranking Bouts and for 2014 Cycle 1 Title Bouts, no postponement by a Boxer will be allowed.
- 16.2. For Title Bouts:
 - 16.2.1. A Title Bout may be postponed by a Boxer by providing a minimum of 30 days' notice in accordance with the <u>Medical Handbook;</u>
 - 16.2.2. Either the Champion or the Official Challenger will be allowed to ask for the postponement of a Title Bout. However, it will only be allowed only one (1) time.
 - 16.2.3. After tis 30-day period and one (1) postponement:
 - 16.2.3.1. In the case of the Champion being unable to take part in the rescheduled Title Bout, the Official Challenger will compete against the Final A loser of Tier 1. The ex-Champion will go to position number one (1) in the future ranking and the loser of the Title Bout will be replaced at number two (2) in the future ranking.
 - 16.2.3.2. In the case of the Official Challenger being unable to take part in the rescheduled Title Bout, the loser of the Final A of the top ranked group will be declared as the new Official Challenger and will fight for the Title Bout.
 - 16.2.3.3. The APB Ranking Commission will rule on all issues of ranking not specifically addressed in Rules 14, 15 and 16 above.

RULE 17. PURSES

- 17.1. For each Ranking Bout, the purse will be divided as follows: 60 percent to the winner and 40 percent to the loser.
- 17.2. For Title Bouts, the purse will be divided as follows: 70 percent to the Champion and 30 percent to the Official Challenger regardless of the Bout's result.
- 17.3. In case of 16.2.3.1., the purse will be divided as follows: 60 percent to the winner and 40 percent to the loser.

RULE 18 NATIONAL FEDERATION OFFICIALS' HIRING

- 18.1. The National Federations are responsible for hiring an Official Announcer for all National Level Bouts.
- 18.2. The Official Announcer for all Continental Level Bouts and World Level Bouts will be hired by APB.
- 18.3. The Timekeeper for all National Level Bouts will be appointed by the National Federations.
- 18.4. The Timekeeper for all Continental Level and World Level Bouts will be appointed by AIBA.

