

Boxing Australia Inc.



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RULES FOR COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

RULE 1 – Boxing Australia Incorporated Competition Principles

1.1 The following principles will apply to all competitions conducted by Boxing Australia Inc. (BAI) and its Member Associations:

- (i) No boxer will compete in more than one bout per day unless otherwise determined pursuant to Rule 7.6;
- (ii) Boxers will, as far as is possible, be evenly matched in regards to weight, age and competition experience;
- (iii) Female boxers shall not compete against male boxers at public events in any capacity, including, but not limited to, exhibition demonstrations;
- (iv) Officiating referees and judges must be accredited and have their R&J Record Book to hand;
- (v) Coaches must be accredited;
- (vi) Referees, judges, coaches and tournament officials shall not consume alcohol on the day they officiate, or during a tournament in which they officiate, until all their duties have been completed;
- (vii) BAI Risk Management Policy procedures must be implemented;
- (viii) BAI Member Protection Policy must be implemented;
- (ix) All participants shall comply with BAI Anti-Doping Policy;
- (x) All competitions shall be conducted in a fair, transparent and equitable manner; and
- (xi) All competitions conducted by BAI and its Member Associations shall comply with these Rules, however, where these Rules are silent in relation to any matter and BAI has not given a direction then the competition shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules of the International Boxing Association (AIBA).

RULE 2 – National Competitions

2.1 Any competition purporting to be a 'National' competition will be conducted under these Rules, meet the requirements and standards for Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events and be held under the direction and supervision of the BAI Board.

RULE 3 – International Competitions

3.1 Any competition purporting to be an 'International' competition will be conducted under these Rules, meet the requirements and standards for Australian Boxing Championships and be under the direction and supervision of the BAI Board.

RULE 4 – Age Categories

Categories for Australian Boxing Championship and National Selection Events

4.1 A boxer's age shall be determined in accordance with Appendix 2.

4.2 The competition categories at Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events shall be in accordance with the weight categories as detailed in Appendix 3.

State / Territory Championship / Selection Bouts

4.3 Age categories for competitions throughout Australia, excluding Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events, which apply to both female & male boxers and subject to any legislative or government policy restrictions, shall be:

- Under 11: for a boxer aged 10 years;
- Under 13: for a boxer aged 11 or 12 years;
- Under 15: for a boxer aged 13 or 14 years;
- Junior: for a boxer aged 15 or 16 years as defined in Appendix 2;
- Youth: for a boxer aged 17 or 18 years as defined in Appendix 2;
- Elite: for a boxer aged 17 to 34 years as defined in Appendix 2; and
- Masters: for a boxer aged 35 years or more.

All Events

4.4 Boxers (male or female) in Junior or younger age category competition, subject to clause 4.5, shall not be permitted to compete against boxers who are 2 calendar years or more older, unless, it would prevent them participating in a 'pathway' competition for Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, World Championships, Oceania Championships or other important international tournaments recognised by BAI.

4.5 The Member Association Secretary or their nominated representative in consultation with the Senior R&J present, and with the consent of the boxer's coach, may issue an exemption permitting a boxer to compete against a boxer more than two years older if the bout is deemed a suitable match.

4.6 Where a boxer competes against a boxer outside his/her competition category the lower age division rules apply (i.e. counts, duration, weight category) except if the boxers are participating in a 'pathway' competition for Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, World Championships, Oceania Championships or other important international tournaments recognised by BAI.

Note: For Masters Boxing see Rule 21.

RULE 5 – Competition Weight Divisions within Australia

5.1 Appendix 3 specifies the applicable Table of Weight Divisions and Weight Ranges.

Elite and Youth Females

5.2 Females in Youth, Elite or Masters categories shall compete in the following weight categories: 45Kg-48Kg, 51Kg, 54Kg, 57Kg, 60Kg, 64Kg, 69Kg, 75Kg, 81Kg, 91Kg, and 91+Kg. The 91Kg and 91+Kg categories are not recognised for international competition; boxers competing in these categories will be considered as 81+ Kg for any international event selection.

Junior Male and Female – Australian Boxing Championship and National Selection Events

5.3 Male and female boxers in Junior category competition shall compete in: 44Kg-46Kg, 48Kg, 50Kg, 52Kg, 54Kg, 57Kg, 60Kg, 63Kg, 66Kg, 70Kg, 75Kg, 80Kg, & 86 Kg, 92 Kg, and 92+Kg. The 86Kg, 92Kg and 92+Kg categories are not recognised for international competition, as such, those boxers competing in these categories shall be considered as 80+Kg for any international event selection.

Under 15, Under 13 and Under 11 Male and Female

5.4 Under 13 and Under 11 male & female boxers shall be permitted to compete in BAI and Member Association competitions other than Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events, subject only to any legislative, regulatory or government policy restrictions to the contrary.

5.5 Under 15, Under 13 and Under 11 male and female boxers may compete in 22Kg, 24Kg, 26Kg, 28Kg, 30Kg, 32Kg, 34Kg, 36Kg, 38Kg, 40Kg, 42Kg, and 44 Kg weight categories in addition to those listed in Rule 5.3.

Weight Restrictions on Matching Boxers

5.6 In bouts with boxers from different weight categories that are not selections or championships, should, where possible, be matched by the Member Association Secretary or their nominated representative according to the restrictions in this Rule.

5.7 Boxers in Junior and younger age category competition, subject to clause 5.9, shall have no more than 2Kg difference in weight up to and including 54 Kg, thereafter, no more than the equivalent weight category difference up to and including 92+ Kg.

5.8 Boxers in Youth, Elite or Masters category competition, subject to clause 5.9, shall have no more than 3Kg difference in weight up to and including 52Kg, thereafter, no more than the equivalent weight category difference up to and including 91+ Kg.

5.9 The Member Association Secretary or their nominated representative in consultation with the Senior R&J present, and with the consent of the boxer's coach, may issue an exemption permitting a boxer to compete against a heavier boxer than the stipulated weight differences in

this Rule if the bout is deemed a suitable match.

5.10 At Australian Boxing Championships, National Selection Events and State/Territory Championships a boxer shall be permitted to compete up or down one weight category if he/she is unable to make their nominated weight and there is a vacancy in the weight category.

RULE 6 – Medical Control and Examination

Power of the Board of BAI to Ban a Boxer on Medical Advice.

6.1 The Board of BAI shall have the power to ban any Boxer from competitive boxing and sparring conducted under the auspices of BAI or any Member Association for any length of time the Board may deem appropriate if, after having received qualified medical advice, the Board considers that competitive boxing and sparring engaged in by such Boxer might reasonably put:

- (a) such Boxer; and/or
- (b) another Boxer or Boxers competing against, or sparring with, such Boxer; at risk of death or serious harm. Provided that any such ban shall continue for no longer than is reasonably necessary to protect the banned Boxer, or other Boxers against whom that Boxer might otherwise compete or spar, from that risk of death or serious harm.

Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events

6.2 At all Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events one qualified medical practitioner holding current licences to practise medicine and one licensed paramedic or licensed nurse shall be present. The medical practitioner shall conduct medical checks on competing boxers each morning of the competition and be present at ringside throughout all competition sessions.

6.3 On each day a Boxer is required to compete he/she is to be certified as fit to compete by a qualified medical practitioner.

Boxer with allowed Handicap

6.4 Please refer to current A.I.B.A .Medical Handbook for Allowed Handicap.

6.5 Boxers who are deaf, mute, missing a finger (but not a thumb) with less than one toe on a foot (as long as the remaining toe is the big toe) may box. Boxers may also box with a soft knee/elbow brace without steel or hard plastic.

Orthodontic Braces

6.6 Boxers who have orthodontic braces and wish to compete are required to have attached to their Competition Record Book a completed 'Release to Compete with Orthodontic Braces/Appliances' form, in accordance with Appendix 7. This form requires the written approval of the boxer's dentist, parent and/or guardian (if under the age of 18 years) and the wearing of a dentist-moulded gum shield. This Rule covers upper and/or lower dental braces. Boxers competing with orthodontic braces waive the right to dental coverage under any BAI insurance

policy.

Contact Lenses

6.7 Boxers who have soft contact lenses and wish to compete are required to have attached to their Competition Record Book a completed 'Release to Compete with Soft Contact Lenses form in accordance with Appendix 8. This form requires the written approval of the boxer's optometrist or eye specialist together with the boxer's parent or guardian (if under the age of 18 years). This Rule covers soft contact lenses only, and spectacles or other types of contact lenses may not be worn. Boxers competing with soft contact lenses waive the right to eye coverage under any BAI insurance policy. Where a contact lens is displaced and the boxer is unable to continue, the boxer will lose the bout RSC.

Prohibited Conditions

6.8 The boxers with the following prohibited conditions on the day of competition, as determined by the Medical Practitioner examining the boxer, are excluded from competition within Australia:

- A cut, wound abrasion, laceration or other blood injury which requires a dressing other than a Collodion or a Steri-Strip or similar; or
- A swelling on their scalp or face including the nose and ears.

6.9 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 allowed to be worn during a bout.

6.10 In all Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events no pregnant Boxer shall be allowed to participate and each female boxer must provide a signed declaration of their non-pregnancy and/or present a medical certification before the medical check advising of their non-pregnancy.

Protective Measures

6.11 One Knock-Out or RSCH - A Boxer who has been knocked out with no loss of consciousness 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 defenceless 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.

6.12 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 defenceless or incapable of continuing twice in a period of 90 days shall not be permitted to take part in competitive boxing or sparring for a period of 90 days from the second knock-out or RSCH.

6.13 Three Knock-Outs or three RSCH - A Boxer who has been knocked out as a result of a head blow(s) 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 defenceless 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.

6.14 Each knock-out suffered as a result of a head blow(s) and each RSCH must be recorded by the Medical Practitioner in the Boxer's Competition Record Book.

6.15 All protective measures should also apply if a knock-out and or concussion occurs during training or anywhere else. In this situation the coach shall notify the registrar of the member association to which the boxer belongs of the circumstances of the knock-out or concussion.

6.16 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.

6.17 Injured Boxers may be restricted from boxing at the discretion of the medical practitioner present at the competition.

Medical Certification following probation periods

6.18 Before resuming boxing after any medically recorded non-competition period, a boxer must first be certified by a qualified medical practitioner holding a current licence to practice medicine as being fit to take part in competitive boxing.

6.19 The certification examination shall be conducted by a medical practitioner of the boxer's choice.

6.20 Upon certifying the boxer as fit to take part in competitive boxing the medical practitioner concerned shall record in the boxer's Competition Record Book the words 'Fit to Box' below the relevant non-competition period annotation, sign and date his/her 'Fit to Box' annotation.

RULE 7 – Weigh-In

7.1 The conduct of the weigh-in at tournaments conducted by BAI and its member associations in Australia shall be in accordance with Appendix 4.

Tournaments which are not Australian Boxing Championships or National Selection Events

7.2 In bouts which are not Australian Boxing Championships or National Selection Events the weigh-in will be held at least one hour before a boxer is due to box.

7.3 The weigh-in will be carried out by an R&J official appointed by the designated R&J coordinator for the Member Association.

At all Events

7.4 An appointed weigh-in official shall enter in each boxer's Competition Record Book the date, place and weight shown on the official scale at the weigh-in.

7.5 A boxer shall be clean-shaven before the weigh-in. Beards and moustaches are not allowed. No type of body piercing and body accessories will be worn during a bout.

7.6 No boxer will compete in more than one bout a day unless it is an Australian Boxing Championship or National Selection Event and the jury determines the first bout is a no contest. In this circumstance those boxers shall compete against each other before the same jury and officiating R & J unless the jury determines otherwise.

RULE 8 – Rounds

Tournaments which are not Australian Boxing Championships or National Selection Events - *This includes State/Territory Championships*

8.1 Whenever possible, 5 accredited judges are to officiate; however, where this is not possible a minimum of 3 accredited judges are to officiate.

8.2 The referee, computer operator and timekeeper shall not score a bout.

Computer Scoring System Failure

8.3 If the computer scoring system becomes defective during a bout, the jury shall cease the bout for one minute.

8.4 Scores retained. If during the one minute period the system cannot be repaired and the scores at the time of the stoppage are retained the following scoring procedure shall be adopted:

- The judges shall use hand held scoring devices (includes clicker devices) and record the bout for the duration and record the score onto scoring paper;
- At the end of the contest the jury shall collect the scoring papers from the judges; and
- The jury will add the judges' individual scores from the computer to the scores from the scoring papers and delete the high and low scores from the red and blue corner to arrive at the winner.

8.5 Scores not retained. If during the one minute period the system cannot be repaired and the scores at the time of the stoppage are not retained the following scoring procedure shall be adopted:

- If the failure occurs in the 1st or 2nd round or in the case of a 4 round bout, the 3rd round and there are at least 3 more bouts scheduled in the session the bout shall be rescheduled as the final bout of the session.
- If the failure occurs in the 1st or 2nd round or in the case of a 4 round bout the 3rd round and there are less than 3 more bouts scheduled in the session the bout shall be rescheduled to the start of the next session, however, if there are no further sessions scheduled for the event the judges will be asked to decide the winner.
- If the failure occurs after the end of the 2nd round or in the case of a 4 round bout the 3rd round the judges will be asked to decide the winner.

RULE 9 – Compulsory Count Limits

Tournaments which are championships or selection Events

9.1 In the Elite male and female competition category a contest shall be terminated as a Referee Stopped Contest if there are 3 counts in any one round or 4 counts in the bout.

9.2 In youth and and younger age (male and female) competition categories, a contest shall be terminated as a Referee Stopped Contest if there are 2 counts in any one round or 3 counts in the bout.

At all other Events

9.3 A Youth and/or Elite category male boxer who competes over 3x3 minute rounds and a Youth and/or female category boxer who competes over 4x2 minute rounds a contest shall be terminated as a Referee Stopped Contest if there are 3 counts in any one round or 4 counts in the bout.

9.4 In all other competition categories and bout round durations a contest shall be terminated as a Referee Stopped Contest if there are 2 counts in any one round or 3 counts in the bout.

9.5 A count caused by a foul shall not be included in the count limit.

9.6 The referee shall determine whether the decision is Referee Stopped Contest Head (RSCH) or Referee Stopped Contest Outclassed (RSCO).

RULE 10 – Knock- Out (KO) and Win By Disqualification

10.1 Where a boxer receives a blow to the head illegally and the boxer is counted out the boxer cannot continue to compete at the event even if awarded the bout by disqualification.

RULE 11 – Both Boxers ‘Down’

11.1 If both boxers are counted out simultaneously, they shall both lose by KO; however, in a semi-final or final the boxer with the higher score at the time of the KO shall be declared the winner.

11.2 A boxer who wins a semi-final in the manner referred to in Rule 11.1 nevertheless may not compete in the final by reason of the operation of Rule 6.10 or where one boxer or both boxers are concussed, by reason of the operation of Rule 6.11 or Rule 6.12.

RULE 12 – Shaking Of Hands

Purpose

12.1 Boxers shall shake hands in the proper boxing manner by touching gloves, as a sign of a purely sporting and friendly rivalry and in accordance with boxing protocol.

Authorised Times

12.2 The shaking of hands shall take place under the referee’s direction and **before the commencement of the bout** (not when the boxers come out to box after the ‘bell’ signalling the

commencement of the first or any subsequent round); again **after the announcement of the contest result**. Any further shaking of hands by boxers shall be prohibited.

RULE 13 – Protests

13.1 A designated person may lodge a protest with the jury seeking to have the result of a bout overturned where the referee or the jury has announced or otherwise publicly indicated or authorised to be announced or publicly indicated the result of the bout. When considering such protest, the jury may use video evidence.

13.2 In this Rule, at Australian Boxing Championships or National Selection Events the term “designated person” means the team manager of the relevant team. For other tournaments, the designated person is the coach who cornered the relevant boxer during the bout in question.

13.3 The protest must be lodged with the jury within the appointed time; being within 30 minutes of the announced result of the bout, however, if the bout is a final bout, the protest must be lodged within 5 minutes of the announced result of the bout.

13.4 The protest must adhere to the following, otherwise the appeal is invalid:

- Be in writing and must be signed by the designated person;
- Specify the ground or grounds on which the protestor seeks to have action taken;
- Be accompanied by the protest fee of \$AUS 500.00 (GST inclusive); and
- Be lodged within the appointed time.

13.5 At least one member of the jury will remain at the ringside for the times specified in Rule 13.3 after the announcement of the result of each bout to ensure any protest can be delivered. If no protest is received, the jury member shall record the fact, date and time in writing. Furthermore, retain the written record for inclusion in the records of the tournament.

13.6 A protest received by the jury will be immediately annotated to show the date and time it was received and signed, the receiving jury member shall show the annotation to the designated person.

13.7 Any protest received will be examined by the jury to determine whether the protest was validly lodged. If the jury finds the protest was not validly lodged (out of time, not correctly signed, no ground stated or no fee included), then the jury shall record this finding in writing. The finding will be retained for inclusion in the records of the tournament. The designated person responsible for lodging the appeal and the representative of the other boxer will be informed verbally by the chairman of the jury as soon as the decision is made and in writing as soon as is practical, however, no later than the weigh-in and medical examination the following day.

13.8 The protest shall be the only avenue of appeal against the announced result and the decision of the jury is final. Furthermore, it is not appealable. The jury may confirm the original result of the bout, overturn the original result and award the decision to the other boxer or take

any other action it deems appropriate.

13.9 The decision of the jury and the statement of reasons for that decision will be retained in the records of the tournament; a copy will be provided to the designated person concerned as soon as practical.

RULE 14 – Other Jury Decisions

14.1 Where a jury makes a decision that affects or appears to affect the result of a bout, the chairperson of the jury must record both the decision and a statement of reasons for that decision and retain them in the records of the tournament. Both coaches must be informed verbally of the decision and the reasons for that decision within 30 minutes of the end of the session.

RULE 15 – Administrations of Drugs

15.1 All participants in BAI activities, including competition, must comply with the BAI Anti-Doping Policy (ADP) and be subject to it.

15.2 Any boxer, official or other participant in BAI activities not complying with the BAI ADP will be liable to disqualification or suspension by BAI.

15.3 Any boxer who refuses to undergo any medical examination or doping test to ascertain if he/she has committed any breach of the BAI ADP shall be liable to disqualification or suspension by BAI.

15.4 Any official or other participant in BAI activities who encourages a boxer to refuse to undergo any medical examination or doping test to ascertain if the boxer has committed any breach of the BAI ADP shall be liable to disqualification or suspension by BAI.

RULE 16 – Female Boxers

16.1 The following will apply to female boxing bouts in competition conducted by BAI or its Member Associations:

- A female boxer may wear a short-sleeved t-shirt under her singlet. The singlet must be coloured red or blue in accordance with the corner from which she is boxing.
- Female boxers may wear a well-fitting breast protector that protects the breast only, manufactured of materials that are not harmful to an opponent.
- Hairnets, barrettes, head cloths, rubber bands or other banding devices may be used to secure hair beneath the head guard. Hairpins, clips or any devices made of metal, plastic or any other hard materials shall not be permitted.

RULE 17 – Walkovers

17.1 Rule 9.8 of Rules for Competition Management, AIBA Technical and Competition Rules is to be complied with in regard to walkovers at the Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events as well as all State Boxing Championships and State/Territory Selection

Events.

RULE 18 – Novice Boxers

18.1 The purpose of this and succeeding provisions in this Rule 18 is to limit demands on novice boxers; these being inexperienced boxers who normally have not won a title or championship and have competed in a limited number of bouts.

18.2 Member Associations and local clubs may hold novice bouts and novice championships.

18.3 Member Associations shall conduct novice bouts and novice championships in accordance with these Technical and Competition Rules.

18.4 Novice divisions will not be contested at Australian Boxing Championships. Where a novice boxer wins selection to compete at the Australian Boxing Championships or a National Selection Event that boxer shall compete as a non-novice boxer at such tournament.

18.5 Subject to these Technical and Competition Rules novice boxers may be matched with non-novice boxers at local tournaments.

Rounds

18.6 Novice boxers (Male or Female) aged 10-14 years shall box 3 rounds of 1 minute duration each; the duration of each round may be increased to 1.5 minutes at the request of both coaches of the novice boxers concerned and the agreement of the Senior R&J present.

18.7 Novice boxers (Male or Female) aged 15 and 16 years shall box 3 rounds of 1.5 minutes duration each; the duration of each round may be increased to 2 minutes at the request of both coaches of the novice boxers concerned and the agreement of the Senior R&J present.

18.8 Novice boxers (Male or Female) aged 17 and 18 years shall box 3 rounds of 2 minutes duration each.

18.9 Novice boxers (Male or Female) aged 17-34 years of age shall box 3 rounds of 2 minutes duration each.

RULE 19 – Exhibitions

19.1 Boxing contests conducted by BAI and its Member Associations should be contested by boxers of similar weight, age and experience. Where 2 boxers cannot be so matched, they may be able to box one another in an exhibition bout with the approval of their respective coaches. The final authority for the conduct of an exhibition bout lies with the matchmaker; who must carefully weigh the competition experience and other relevant characteristics of each boxer before finally authorising the bout. Exhibition bouts are less intense than competition bouts; punches are lighter and no results are provided. Exhibition bouts provide an opportunity for boxers to demonstrate their abilities and gain useful experience.

19.2 No judges shall officiate in exhibition bouts and the bout shall not be scored.

19.3 Boxers may use heavier gloves in exhibition bouts than specified in Rule 29.2, however, the

gloves used by the boxers must be identical except for colour; the boxers may use full-face or more protective head guards.

19.4 Boxers in exhibition bouts shall 'not touch gloves' except during the approved times.

19.5 The referee shall stop an exhibition bout if either boxer takes advantage of his/her opponent or if a count is applied.

RULE 20 – World Series Boxers in BAI or Member Association Competitions

20.1 Any boxer who competes in professional boxing shall not be allowed to compete in BAI and BAI Member Association competitions, however, all boxers who have competed in World Series Boxing are exempt and shall be allowed to compete in any event designated as a pathway to the Olympic or Commonwealth Games as well as any event designated by the directors of BAI.

RULE 21 – Masters Boxing

21.1 Masters boxing will be open to boxers who have attained the age of 35 years or more.

There is to be no more than a ten year age difference between the matched competitors e.g. 35 to 45 years. Masters boxers may compete against elite boxers provided there is no more than a five year age gap e.g. 30-35 years, the Member Association Secretary or their representative, and the senior RJ present, the boxers and the boxers' coaches agree provided the Masters boxer has not competed as a professional boxer.

21.2 Masters boxing will be conducted under the rules and weight limits that apply to Elite Boxers in these rules except that Masters boxers will box 3x2 minute rounds. Member Associations may hold State Masters Championships and any decision on National Masters Championships will be that of the directors of BAI.

21.3 Boxers who have previously competed as professionals will be allowed to compete in Masters Boxing provided they fulfil the following criteria:

- They have signed an undertaking that they do not intend to compete as a professional in the future; and
- The BAI Member Association, with which they are registered, in its sole and absolute discretion, determines it is appropriate that they be allowed to compete.

RULE 22 – Event Session Times

22.1 At all BAI and Member Association Events , the evening sessions shall ordinarily end no later than 11.00pm (2300h), however, the Technical Delegate or state delegate may, at his/her sole discretion, extend the ending time for an evening session or sessions to a time no later than midnight (2359h).

RULE 23 – Fouls

23.1 Fouls are as detailed in Rule 12 of Rules of Competition Management, AIBA Technical and Competition Rules.

RULES FOR COMPETITION OFFICIALS

RULE 24 – Coaches and Assistant Coaches

24.1 At Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events , no person shall be allowed to officiate in the corner of any boxer as a coach or assistant coach (second or corner man) unless he/she holds a Level One Coaches Accreditation or higher.

24.2 At all other Events one of the two coaches in the corner must hold a Level One or higher accreditation. The other must hold either a full or provisional Level One accreditation or higher.

Age Limitation

24.3 The minimum age for any person to be an accredited coach under the BAI Level One Coaches Accreditation Examination system shall be 18 years.

Member Association Coach Recognition

24.4 BAI and Member Associations shall only recognise accredited coaches registered with the Member Association for the State/Territory in which they live.

24.5 Each boxer in a BAI competition bout is entitled to be accompanied by one coach and one assistant coach.

24.6 Only the coach and assistant coach of a competing boxer can mount the apron of the ring and only one may enter the ring during the break period between rounds of the bout. The coach or assistant coach shall not enter the ring before the start of a contest, however, they may mount the apron of the ring before the start of the contest.

24.7 By throwing a towel into the ring a coach can retire a boxer, except when the referee is in the course of counting, when he/she considers his/her boxer to be in difficulty

24.8 During a bout, the coach and assistant coach shall remain off the platform of the ring and, before a round begins, remove from the platform of the ring any seat, towel, bucket, etc. for which he/she is responsible.

24.9 Any coach or assistant coach or person officiating in the corner of a bout encouraging or inciting spectators by words or signs to advise or encourage a boxer during the progress of a round shall not be permitted to continue to act as a coach, assistant coach at the tournament where the offence is committed.

24.10 If a coach or assistant coach infringes the rules, he/she may be cautioned or removed by the referee. The first time a coach or assistant coach is removed, he/she shall not officiate again in that session; where he/she is removed a second time, he/she shall not officiate again during the tournament. Additionally, a boxer may be cautioned, warned or disqualified by the referee for offences committed by his/her coach and/or assistant coach.

24.11 Both the coach and assistant coach shall wear disposable gloves when officiating in the corner of a boxer and have in their possession cotton or tissue pads to nurse bleedings and to

wipe and remove blood from a boxer or boxing glove. At the completion of the bout, they shall dispose of the gloves and any used pads or tissues in the plastic bag provided in the corner of the ring.

Coach and Assistant Coach Dress Standards

24.12 No person shall be allowed to officiate in the corner of any boxer as a coach or assistant coach if not appropriately dressed. Inappropriate dress is deemed to include bare feet, open-toed sandals or thongs, and any singlet, t-shirt or top displaying offensive language or gestures. Dress should be sport shoes and tracksuit or similar.

24.13 At Australian Boxing Championship and Selection Events, coaches and assistant coaches shall each wear a State/Territory tracksuit or a State/Territory shirt and shorts, disposable gloves and footwear that adequately covers the feet including the toes.. Any changes to this standard shall only be at the discretion of the Technical Delegate.

RULE 25 – Referees and Judges

Accreditation

25.1 To officiate as a referee/judge at a boxing competition conducted by BAI or a Member Association, a person must be in possession of a BAI Referee/Judge Record Book, in accordance with BAI's Constitution not be a Professional, and hold one or more of the following levels of BAI Referee and/or Judge Accreditation:

- Regional and/or State/Territory;
- National; or
- International Boxing Association (AIBA).

25.2 Accreditation is attained and maintained in accordance with the BAI R&J Accreditation Policy.

Referee/Judge Record Book

25.3 Accredited referees/judges shall receive a Referee/Judge Record Book for recording all referee/judge activities. No referee or judge shall officiate unless he/she has in his/her possession an R&J Record Book.

25.4 For Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events the responsibility to ensure each referee/judge has in their possession a R&J Record Book rests with the BAI R&J Committee and for all other tournaments with the R&J Coordinator for the relevant Member Association.

25.5 At Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events the jury chairman shall sign the Record Book; the R&J Coordinator for the relevant Member Association or a senior R&J appointed by the R&J Coordinator for the relevant Member Association shall sign for all other tournaments.

Australian Boxing Championships & National Selection Events & Other Events

25.6 The BAI Board shall determine which referees and judges shall officiate at Australian Boxing Championships and all other Events organised by BAI. Referees and/or judges wishing to officiate at an Australian Boxing Championships or at other Events organised by BAI will nominate to the BAI Board. All referees and/or judges must have an accreditation level of:

- National; or
- International Boxing Association (AIBA).

25.7 All bouts at Australian Boxing Championships and at a National Selection Events will be conducted by a referee and scored by 5 judges; where possible, the judges are to be from Member Associations other than those the boxers competing in the bout are representing. Furthermore, where possible, the 5 judges should come from 5 different member associations.

25.8 Referees will wear disposable gloves when they are officiating in a bout and are to carry cotton or tissue pads to nurse bleedings, wipe and remove blood on a boxer or boxing glove. At the conclusion of the bout, they will dispose of the gloves and any used pads or tissues in either of the plastic bags provided in the neutral corners.

Acting as Coaches

25.9 Qualified AIBA or Australian referees/judges cannot act as a judge or referee at a tournament if acting as a coach, assistant coach or team manager at the same tournament. In Events other than Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events, any variation to this rule must be decided in consultation with the BAI Member Association senior R&J present at such event.

RULE 26 – Timekeeper

26.1 The duties of the time keeper will be in accordance with Rule13 of Rules for Competition Officials, AIBA Technical and Competition Rules. Any variation to this rule will be at the discretion of the competition jury.

RULE 27 – Jury

27.1 At Australian Boxing Championships and other Events organised by BAI, the Board of BAI shall appoint a jury of at least 3 from persons accredited as referees and/or judges at National level or above; at least one of whom shall be a member of the Referees and Judges Committee.

27.2 Each bout conducted by a Member Association shall have a jury of at least one person accredited as a referee or judge at State level or above; which juror or jurors shall be appointed by the R&J Coordinator for that association.

27.3 The jury shall oversee the scoring and decisions of referees and judges and timing of boxing bouts and has the power to:

- Recommend to the R&J Committee the suspension or disqualification of referees and

judges;

- Hear protests regarding the conducting and scoring of a bout;
- Stop or cease a bout; and
- Overturn or change the decision of a referee

Other Jury Decisions

27.4 Where a jury intervenes in a bout *e.g. to stop a bout*, the chairman of the jury shall inform the designated persons of both boxers of the jury's decision and reasons for the decision within 30 minutes of the end of the session.

RULES FOR COMPETITION EQUIPMENT

RULE 28 – The Ring

28.1 In Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events, the Ring and associated equipment shall be in accordance with Appendix “H” of the AIBA Technical and Competition Rules. Any variation to this will be at the sole and absolute discretion of the appointed Technical Delegate.

RULE 29 – Gloves

Authorised Gloves

29.1 Boxers shall wear red or blue gloves in accordance with the respective boxer’s corner colour. The gloves must be approved by AIBA or BAI or a BAI Member Association. Where a Member Association approves non-AIBA approved gloves the Member Association shall provide to the Board of BAI the name(s) of its approved glove manufacturer/manufacturers.

Boxers may only wear the gloves supplied by the competition management. At Australian Boxing Championships and/ National Selection Events, only AIBA and/or BAI approved gloves shall be worn.

Specifications

29.2 The gloves shall weigh 10ozs (284grams) each; of which the leather portion will not weigh more than half of the total weight and the padding not less than half the total weight. The regular hitting surface must be marked on the gloves with a clearly discernable colour. The padding of the gloves must not be displaced or broken. Boxers shall only wear gloves with Velcro fasteners; laced gloves are **not** permitted.

The gloves supplied must be clean and in good condition. Each boxer in a bout must wear exactly the same type of gloves accept for colour.

Gloving Supervision

29.3 All gloves and bandages shall be fitted under the supervision of a knowledgeable official appointed by the tournament manager for the purpose (the gloving supervisor); who will ensure and note that the gloving and bandages Rules have been carefully observed.

29.4 The gloving supervisor may delegate security duties to other officials present to ensure that the gloving Rules are observed until the boxers enter the ring.

RULE 30 – Head Guards

Authorised Head Guards

30.1 In each bout a boxer shall wear a red or blue head guard in accordance with his/her respective corner. The use of head guards is mandatory in all BAI competitions. Only head

guards approved by AIBA, BAI or a BAI Member Association shall be worn. Where a Member Association approves non-AIBA approved head guards, the Member Association shall provide to the Board of BAI the name(s) of its approved head guard manufacturer/manufacturers.

Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events

30.2 At Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events only AIBA approved head guards shall be worn.

Fitting and Removal

30.3 A boxer will place his/her head guard on after entering the ring and shall remove it at the end of the bout. Head guards shall not be worn during the announcement of the decision at the conclusion of the bout.

RULE 31 – Bandages

31.1 In Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events, bandages shall meet the specifications detailed in Rule 4.2.1 of Rules for Competition Equipment, AIBA Technical and Competition Rules; any variation to this will be at the discretion of the appointed Technical Delegate. In all other events, bandages shall be approved by the relevant Member Association.

Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events

31.2 At Australian Boxing Championships and Selection Events, only AIBA approved bandages shall be worn.

RULE 32 – Dress of Boxers

Clothing

32.3.1 The dress of boxers in bouts shall be lightweight boots/shoes (without spikes and without heels), socks, shorts which must reach at least half-way down the thighs, and singlet's that cover his/her chest and back. Each boxer must be in possession of a red and a blue singlet and wear in competition, in accordance with the corner from which he/she has been drawn to box, the appropriate coloured singlet,

32.3.2 Where shorts and singlet's are of the same colour, the belt line shall be clearly indicated by using a white elastic waistband 10cm wide. The belt line is an imaginary line from the navel to the top of the hips.

32.3.3 All boxers shall wear gum shields. The gum shield shall be form fitted, and preferably manufactured by a dentist. Gum shields with any colouring of red shall not be worn in competition.

Prohibited Objects

32.4 The use of grease, vaseline, liniment or products on the face, arms, or any other part of the body where it is likely to be harmful or objectionable to an opponent is forbidden, however, a

minimum amount of pure vaseline rubbed into the forehead and eyebrow to prevent an injury shall be permitted.

Hair

32.5 Hair may be secured underneath a boxer's head guard using a net, cloth or rubber band or similar means, however, pins, clips or other objects made of metal, plastic or other hard material are forbidden. Long hair beyond shoulder length must be tied in a ponytail or similar means and secured under the head-guard to prevent injury.

Dress Infractions

32.6 The referee shall exclude any boxer from competing if he/she is:

- Not wearing a gum shield;
- Not clean-shaven;
- Not properly dressed; or
- Not otherwise comply with the dress code embodied in these Rules.

32.7 In the event that a boxer's apparel or equipment is required to be re-fastened or adjusted during a bout, the referee shall stop the contest temporarily and have the re-fastening or adjustment attended by the boxer's coach; the boxer's coach will not speak whilst this is being done.

APPENDIX 1

Perpetual Trophies

Sir Edgar Tanner Trophy

A Perpetual Challenge Cup known as "The Sir Edgar Tanner Trophy", first presented by the late Sir Edgar Tanner CBE, ED, in 1947, shall be awarded to the Member Association whose representatives win the greatest number of Elite Male Championship titles at Australian Boxing Championships.

Should the number of Australian Boxing Championship title wins by two or more Member Associations be equal, the Member Association with the greatest number of runners-up shall be the winner of the Sir Edgar Tanner Trophy.

Arthur Tunstall Trophy

A perpetual trophy known as "The Arthur Tunstall Trophy", first presented by Mr. Arthur Tunstall OBE, JP in 1963, shall be awarded, with a replica, at each Australian Boxing Championships to the best Male Elite boxer of the Australian Boxing Championships. The boxer shall be chosen by the referees and judges officiating at the Australian Boxing Championships.

Jamie Nicolson Trophy

A perpetual trophy known as the "The Jamie Nicolson Trophy", first presented by Mr. Allan Nicolson Snr. and Mrs. Pat Nicolson in 1994, shall be awarded at each Australian Boxing Championships to the boxer who, in the opinion of the BAI Board, is considered to have held the highest international ranking of Elite Male since the last Australian Boxing Championships.

APPENDIX 2

Year of Competition / Year of Birth Matrix

		YEAR OF COMPETITION											
		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
		BOXER'S YEAR OF BIRTH											
AGE	10	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	11	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	12	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
	13	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	14	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
	15	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
	16	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
	17	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
	18	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
	19	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	20	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
	21	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
	22	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
	23	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	24	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
	25	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
	26	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
	27	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
	28	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992
	29	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
30	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	
31	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	
32	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	
33	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	
34	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1984	1986	

APPENDIX 3**Table of Weight Divisions and Weight Ranges (as of 1 September 2010)**

YOUTH AND ELITE MALE WEIGHT DIVISIONS			
Over kg	To kg	Nat Division	Int'l Division
46	49	Y	Y
49	52	Y	Y
52	56	Y	Y
56	60	Y	Y
60	64	Y	Y
64	69	Y	Y
69	75	Y	Y
75	81	Y	Y
81	91	Y	Y
91+		Y	Y
YOUTH AND ELITE FEMALE WEIGHT DIVISIONS			
Over kg	To kg	Nat Division	Int'l Division
>45	48	Y	Y
>48	51	Y	Y
>51	54	Y	Y
>54	57	Y	Y
>57	60	Y	Y
>60	64	Y	Y
>64	69	Y	Y
>69	75	Y	Y
>75	81	Y	Y
>81	91	Y	Y
>91+		Y	N
JUNIOR AND YOUNGER AGE WEIGHT DIVISIONS			
Over kg	To kg	Nat Division	Int'l Division
	22	Y	N
>22	24	Y	N
>24	26	Y	N
>26	28	Y	N
>28	30	Y	N
>30	32	Y	N
>32	34	Y	N
>34	36	Y	N
>36	38	Y	N
>38	40	Y	N
>40	42	Y	N
>42	44	Y	N
>44	46	Y	Y
>46	48	Y	Y
>48	50	Y	Y
>50	52	Y	Y
>52	54	Y	Y
>54	57	Y	Y
>57	60	Y	Y
>60	63	Y	Y
>63	66	Y	Y
>66	70	Y	Y
>70	75	Y	Y
>75	80	Y	Y
>80	86	Y	Y
>86	92	Y	N
>92	---	Y	N

APPENDIX 4

BAI Weigh-In Policy for Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events

Authority

The BAI Referee and Judges Committee shall direct the weigh-in, appoint checkpoint members, ensure the flow of boxers, and maintain entry/exit of appropriate persons to the weigh-in site.

Scales

Responsibility. The host Member Association shall ensure there is a minimum of one trial scale and one primary scale available at the weigh-in site.

Calibration of Scales. The host Member Association shall ensure both trial and primary scales have been calibrated 7 days prior to the event and present the calibration certificates provided to the Technical Delegate.

Trial Scales. The trial scale or scales shall be located in close proximity of the primary weigh-in scale. The trial scales need not be manned, however, they may be used by boxers wishing to check their weight prior to proceeding onto the primary scale.

Weigh-In Times

Weigh-in times shall be as follows, unless the Technical Delegate determines otherwise:

First Day of Competition – 8.00 am (0800h) to 10.00 am (1000h)

Remaining Days of Competition – 8.00 am (0800h) to 9.00 am (0900h)

Order of Entry

On each day of the event, the host Member Association shall enter the weigh-in area first, followed by the remaining Member Associations in host rotation order; with the previous year host being the final team.

Where a boxer fails at a checkpoint or does not form up with his/her team, that boxer shall enter the weigh-in area at the rear of the last Member Association team.

Checkpoints

During the weigh-in, there shall be a number of checkpoints to regulate boxers and to ensure their orderly flow into and out of the weigh-in area.

First Day of Competition. On the first day of competition, R&J officials shall control the following checkpoints and associated tasks:

- **Weigh-In Area Entry**
 - Regulate the flow of boxers into the weigh-in area;
 - Exclude from entering the weigh-in area other persons (including any Member

Association team manager, coach or other official);

- Ensure each boxer is clean-shaven; and
- Ensure each boxer has his/her Competition Record Book and one other form of identification.

- **Medical Record Verification**

- Verify each boxer and ensure the boxer is registered;
- Check the boxer's name against the entry sheet to ensure it is spelt correctly and record the entry on the BAI entry sheet;
- Check the boxer's photograph is current;
- Check the age of the boxer is correct for the age category;
- Ensure the boxer has had a medical examination within the last 12 months and the medical practitioner's examination pages are complete;
- Ensure the boxer has signed below his/her photograph and on the Local Records page of his/her Competition Record Book;
- Ensure the boxer does not have a current medical restriction period preventing competition;
- Enter the date and event name into the boxer's Competition Record Book; and
- Inform the computer operator of any misspelt names.

- **Medical Practitioners**

- Coordinate the flow of boxers to the medical practitioner or practitioners;
- Ensure a medical practitioner signs in the correct area of the boxer's Competition Record Book; and
- Assist the medical practitioner or medical practitioners where necessary.

- **Official Scales** (Two R&J members, each from different Member Associations)

- Record the boxer's entry onto the BAI Entry Sheet;
- Verify the boxer's weight; and
- Enter the boxer's weight division into his/her Competition Record Book, and
- Sign the entry in the OIC area.

- **Weigh-In Area Exit**

- Ensure each boxer correctly vacates the weigh-in area when his/her processing is

completed.

Remaining Days of Competition. On the remaining days of competition the following checkpoints will be manned:

- **Weigh-In Area Entry**
 - Regulate the flow of boxers into the weigh-in area;
 - Exclude from entering the weigh-in area other persons (including any Member Association team manager, coach or other official); and
 - Ensure each boxer is clean-shaven.
- **Boxer's Competition Record Book Verification**
 - Prepare the Competition Record Books for ease of distribution;
 - Coordinate the issue of the Competition Record Books; and
 - Enter the date and competition particulars into the Competition Record Books.
- **Medical Practitioner**
 - Coordinate the flow of boxers to the medical practitioner or practitioners;
 - Ensure a medical practitioner signs in the correct area of the boxer's Competition Record Book; and
 - Assist the medical practitioner or practitioners where necessary.
- **Official Scales** (Two R&J members; each from different Member Associations)
 - Record the boxer's entry onto the BAI Entry Sheet;
 - Verify the boxer's weight; and
 - Enter the boxer's weight division into the boxer's Competition Record Book and sign the entry in the OIC area.
- **Weigh-In Area Exit**
 - Ensure each boxer correctly vacates the weigh-in area when his/her processing is completed.

Entry/Exit Flow Path

The weigh-in area shall be prepared in such a manner as to allow for a coordinated passage of boxers; thereby eliminating possible bottlenecks.

Persons Present in Weigh-In Area

The persons present during each weigh-in shall be those R&J members rostered to work at checkpoints, a representative of BAI, medical practitioner or practitioners and the computer

scoring system operator.

Female Boxers

Tournament organisers shall, where possible, conduct the weigh-in and medical examination of female boxers in a separate area from that of the male boxers; if that is not possible, the weigh-in and medical examinations are to be conducted in the prescribed area at a different time to the weigh-in and medical examination of the male boxers. Furthermore, at least one female weigh-in steward should be present.

Computer Scoring System Operator

A computer scoring system operator, complete with a printer, shall be available during the weigh-in and shall enter boxers' names into the computer (if not already done) and amend weights and spellings if required.

At all Tournaments which are Australian Championships or Selection Events, a boxer shall weigh-in on the first morning of the competition between the hours of 8.00 am (0800h) and 10.00 am (1000h).

The weigh-in time on the following days that a competitor is required to box shall be between the hours of 8.00 am (0800h) and 9.00 am (0900h).

The Technical Delegate may, in exceptional circumstances, vary the weigh-in times above; provided all affected parties are given reasonable notice of the variation.

Referee/Judge (R&J) officials shall carry out the weigh-in. In State/Territory competitions, the designated R&J coordinator for the Member Association or an R&J official delegated by him/her to do so shall appoint the R&Js. At Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events, the BAI R&J Committee shall appoint the R&Js to conduct the weigh-in.

Two metric scales shall be made available at each weigh-in; one being the official scale and the other being a check scale. Both are to have been calibrated within the preceding 7 days and the calibration certificates provided to the Technical Delegate.

A boxer shall be allowed to present at the official scales only once at the weigh-in each day he/she is to box.

The weight registered at the official weigh-in on the first day decides the weight division for each boxer for the tournament.

If a boxer fails to make the weight division for which he/she has nominated and if there is a vacancy in the next highest or lowest weight division, the team manager may nominate the boxer for that weight division. Otherwise, the boxer is ineligible to be included in the draw.

If a boxer who was included in the draw fails a subsequent day's medical examination or fails to make weight, the boxer will lose by walkover.

The boxer's weight shall not exceed the maximum of the boxer's weight division nor be below the minimum of the boxer's weight division. A boxer may only box in the weight division for

which he/she has qualified at the official weigh-in.

The medical examination of a boxer shall normally precede the weighing-in, however, the R&J official in charge may reverse this sequence if it is deemed desirable for health and safety reasons.

APPENDIX 5

BAI Draw Policy for Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events

The draw shall be conducted in accordance with the relevant AIBA Rule. The draw shall provide for the order of bouts and ensure that the first draw for bouts facilitates the number of entered boxers for a weight category is reduced to 2, 4, 8 or 16 boxers as appropriate for the second session of bouts in that weight category.

Authority

The BAI Referee and Judges Committee shall conduct the draw. The Technical Delegate will be present to oversee the process.

Persons Present

The BAI Referees and Judges Committee (or its representatives), the Technical Delegate, the computer scoring system operator and all Member Association team managers are to be invited to attend. Any other person who wishes may attend provided they do not interrupt the proceedings.

All mobile phones are to be turned off during the draw.

Time of Draw

The draw shall be conducted on the first day of competition, following the weigh-in and medical examination. The draw shall commence at 11.00 am (1100h). The Technical Delegate may change the draw time where deemed necessary; however, only if all Member Association team managers are advised within a reasonable time of any such variation.

Sequence of Draw

The sequence of the draw shall commence at the lightest weight division in each category of competition and shall be conducted as follows:

- School girls;
- School boys;
- Junior females;
- Junior males;
- Youth females;
- Youth males;
- Elite females; and
- Elite males.

Prior to each weight division being drawn, the person directing the draw shall verify each entry for that division.

APPENDIX 5 cont'

Labelled balls or marbles, representing, as required, each Member Association, shall be placed into a bucket or a similar container to be drawn. The Technical Delegate and/or the BAI RJ Committee shall draw the balls or balls/marbles individually and from a position where the drawer's view of the entries is obstructed. Bouts shall be drawn first followed by the number of byes.

Computer Scoring System Operator

As each ball or marble is drawn, the computer scoring system operator shall assign a number for that boxer and enter the same against the boxer in the computer. This will allow for 'pairing corrections' to be achieved and will ensure a successful matching of competitors.

At the conclusion of each age division, the computer scoring system operator shall print a 'spider' detailing the draw table. Copies shall be made for each manager; if this is not possible, the 'spider' shall be displayed in a prominent position.

The computer scoring system operator shall promptly organise the plan for the entire event and make copies available to each team manager. He/she shall also print the program for the first session and make a copy available to each team manager.

Australian Ranking Points Allocation System

At Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events a seeding system will be conducted in Elite Male weight categories. Each boxer entry in the Elite Men's categories will be awarded points as determined in the chart forming part of this Appendix 5, and seeded and placed into the draw table as determined by their seed and in accordance with the following provisions:

1. If any boxer or boxers have any 'seeding' points the boxer with the highest number of points will be seeded number 1 and the boxer with the second highest number of points will be seeded number 2 and so on with any remaining boxers with points.
2. There will be a maximum of 2 boxers seeded in any weight category with up to a maximum of 8 accepted boxer entrants. There will be a maximum of 4 seeded boxers in any weight category in which there are 9 or more accepted boxer entrants.
3. In the event any boxers have the same number of points those boxers will have their seed position determined by 'draw by lot'. A boxer with no points will not be seeded.

Each boxer will need to validate their activities to be awarded points and to be considered for a seed position.

APPENDIX 5 cont'

Ranking Events	Ranking Points For The Following Places In The Most Recent Listed Championships <i>(Applies To Elite Male Championships Only)</i>									
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
Olympic Games	1100	1000	900	800	700	600	500	400	300	200
World Championships	1000	900	800	700	600	500	400	300	200	100
Commonwealth Games	900	700	600	500	400	300	200	100	50	25
Presidents Cup	400	380	340	300	280	240	200	100	50	25
Oceania Championships	350	300	200	100	50	25	-	-	-	-
Australian Championships	300	200	150	75	-	-	-	-	-	-
M.A Championships	200	100								

Seeding Procedure at the Draw – Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events

The seeding procedure will apply to Elite Male category boxers only.

The No.1 seeded boxer will be placed in one half of the draw, the No. 2 seeded boxer in the other half of the draw; if there are 9 – 16 boxer entrants in the weight category the number 3 seeded boxer and the number 4 seeded boxer are to be placed as closely as practicable in the middle of the draw with the number 4 seeded boxer drawn to potentially meet the number 1 seeded boxer in one half of the draw and the number 3 seeded boxer drawn to potentially meet the number 2 seeded boxer in the other half of the draw.

Where the number of entries for a weight category provides for byes during the draw, the seeded boxer(s) will fill the bye position(s) provided the No.1 seeded boxer fills the first bye and the remaining seeded boxer(s) so positioned whereby, for two seeded boxers the seeded boxers can meet in the final, and for three and four seeded boxers they can appropriately meet in the semi-finals provided they are successful in previous bout(s).

APPENDIX 6**Table of Round Duration for Each Age Category**

Aus Age Div	Male	Female	Titles/Selection
<15 yr Novice*	3x1or 3x1.5	3x1or 3x1.5	N
Schoolboy/girl	3x 1.5	3x 1.5	Y
Junior Novice*	3x1.5 or 3x2	3x1.5 or 3x2	N
Junior	3x2	3x2	Y
Youth Novice*	3x2	3x2	N
Youth	3x3	4x2	Y
Youth & Elite Novice*	3x2	3x2	N
Elite	3x3	4x2	Y
Masters	3x2	3x2	N

* Refer to Rule 18 for Novice Boxers.

APPENDIX 7

Release to Compete with Orthodontic Braces/Appliances

Boxing Australia Incorporated Competition Rule 6.6: Boxers who wish to compete with orthodontic braces or other orthodontic appliances are required to have attached to their Competition Record Books the following completed 'Release to Compete with Orthodontic Braces/Appliances' form. This form requires the written approval of the boxer's dentist/orthodontist and parent/guardian (if under 18 years), and a commitment by the boxer to wear during competition their dentist-moulded gum shield. Boxers competing with orthodontic braces waive the right to dental coverage under any BAI insurance policy.

I understand the above rule and give my permission for (boxer's name):

_____ to compete.

Dentist/Orthodontist Approval:

_____	_____	_____
Print Name	Signature	Date

Parent/Legal Guardian Approval:

_____	_____	_____
Print Name	Signature	Date

Athlete:

_____	_____	_____
Print Name	Signature	Date

APPENDIX 8

Release to Compete with Soft Contact Lenses

Boxing Australia Incorporated Competition Rule 6.7: Boxers who wish to compete with soft contact lenses are required to have attached to their Competition Record Books the following completed 'Release to Compete with Soft Contact Lenses form. This form requires the written approval of the boxer's optometrist or eye specialist and parent/guardian (if under 18 years), and a commitment by the boxer to wear during competition only soft contact lenses. Boxers competing with soft contact lenses waive the right to eye coverage under any BAI insurance policy:

I understand the above rule and give my permission for (boxer's name):

_____ to compete.

Optometrist/Eye Specialist Approval:

_____	_____	_____
Print Name	Signature	Date

Parent/Legal Guardian Approval:

_____	_____	_____
Print Name	Signature	Date

Athlete:

_____	_____	_____
Print Name	Signature	Date

APPENDIX 9

Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events

The Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events shall be conducted under the direction and supervision of the Board of BAI in accordance with these Rules. However, where these Rules are silent in relation to any matter and BAI has not given a direction, then the Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events shall be conducted under the Rules of AIBA.

A BAI Member Association selected by the board of BAI shall host the Australian Boxing Championships from time to time.

The Australian Boxing Championships shall incorporate Championships for Elite male and female boxers, Youth (Under 19 years), Junior (Under 17 years) and school boy/girl male and female boxers.

Elite, Youth and Junior boxers competing in the Australian Boxing Championships or a National Selection Event must be Australian citizens and must possess and produce a current Australian Passport at the first medical examination and weigh-in of the tournament.

The Member Association hosting the Australian Boxing Championships from time to time shall pay a conduct fee set by the Board of BAI. This conduct fee shall be paid by the host Member Association to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of BAI no less than 6 months prior to the commencement of the Australian Boxing Championships concerned.

Specific Conditions

The Australian Boxing Championships shall be conducted on a date and at a venue approved by the Board of BAI.

BAI has the right to alter the date of the Australian Boxing Championships in order to better meet in its sole and absolute discretion the selection requirements associated with the selection of teams representing Australia at the Olympics Games, Commonwealth Games, World Championships, Oceania Championships, Olympic Qualifying tournaments or other important international tournaments.

The Member Association hosting the Australian Boxing Championships shall conduct the Championships at a venue in the capital city of its State/Territory. If the host Member Association conducts the Australian Boxing Championships at a venue more than 20 kilometres outside the G.P.O. of the capital city of its State/Territory, it shall be responsible for any additional travel expenses incurred by any Member Association competing team travelling to the competition venue. The venue selected by the hosting Member Association must have a smoke free policy.

No boxer will compete in more than one bout a day unless the jury determines the first bout to

have been a 'no contest'. In these circumstances, the boxers concerned will compete against each other before the same jury and officiating R & J unless the jury determines otherwise.

The hosting Member Association must advise the CEO of BAI and the Secretary of each Member Association of the price of accommodation and meals at a minimum of 3 hotels/ motels or equivalent accommodation, suitable for those competing in the Australian Boxing Championships.

During Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events, no other organised boxing/combat sports shall be conducted at the same venue unless first approved by the Board of BAI.

Where the Board of BAI resolves a tournament to be a National Selection Event to be used to select a boxer or boxers to represent BAI and/or Australia at a tournament or tournaments, the following special conditions will apply:

- All competing boxers must be Australian citizens;
- Any boxer selected by a Member Association to represent his/her State/Territory in such a tournament shall have won a box-off conducted by his/her Member Association in his/her weight category or have been the only entrant for a box-off in his/her weight category;
- A boxer, who has represented another country at an AIBA competition cannot represent Australia for 3 years from the time of that AIBA competition and, furthermore, in that 3 year period cannot compete in a selection tournament;
- Where only one boxer enters the draw for a weight category or after the time for entries for a weight category has closed and at any time thereafter, for whatever reason, the number of competitors in that weight category is reduced to one boxer, the Board of BAI can resolve upon a different method of selecting a boxer for that weight category to represent BAI and/or Australia;
- Where a boxer(s) in a weight category is/are eliminated by a boxer who is then unable, for whatever reason, to continue participating in the tournament, the Board of BAI in its sole and absolute discretion may resolve upon a different method of selecting or not selecting a boxer for that weight category to represent BAI and/or Australia; and
- Where a boxer wins the weight category he/she has entered and by doing so gains selection to represent BAI and/or Australia, however, subsequently, for whatever reason, is unable to do so, then every boxer the winning boxer defeated at the selection tournament will be given the opportunity to compete at a further selection tournament to win selection to represent BAI and/or Australia if the BAI Board in its sole and absolute discretion considers it practicable.

Submission of Entries

Each Member Association must lodge a list of the names of all proposed competing boxers from the State or Territory concerned (together with such other information concerning such boxers as may be required from time to time by the Board of BAI) with the Secretary of the host Member Association and with the CEO of BAI no less than one month prior to the commencement of the Australian Boxing Championships, unless determined otherwise by the BAI Board, and as determined by the BAI Board in relation to any National Selection Event that is not an Australian Championships.

Each Member Association is entitled to submit two boxer entries for each elite male weight category for the Australian Boxing Championships or National Selection Events. In relation to male elite categories only, for each weight category, the BAI Board may enter up to a maximum of two wildcard entries selected by the BAI Board in its sole and absolute discretion provided the maximum number of boxer entries in any given weight category does not exceed 16 boxers.

The Board of BAI shall be at liberty, in its sole and absolute discretion:

- To bar any or all boxers so proposed by a Member Association from competing in the Australian Boxing Championships
- require the Member Association to pay a fine to BAI of \$100.00 for each late entrant;
- Where a proposed competing boxer is withdrawn by the Member Association from competing in the Australian Boxing Championships within 14 days prior to the commencement of such Championships and this withdrawal leaves only one other boxer entered in a weight division for the Australian Boxing Championships, the Member Association of the withdrawn boxer shall pay all reasonable travel and accommodation expenses incurred by the remaining boxer and/or the remaining boxer's Member Association as determined by the Board of BAI in its sole and absolute discretion; and
- The Member Association must provide the CEO of BAI with a medical certificate justifying any withdrawal of a boxer.

Competition Colours

All boxers must be in possession of a Red and Blue competition singlet and, in accordance with the corner they have drawn for a bout, wear the corresponding coloured singlet on which the emblem of a Member Association may be worn. In addition to this, sponsor advertising may be displayed on competition singlets provided it conforms to the rule specifying advertising area allowed on singlets for international competition specified in Clause 1.5, Appendix "F", AIBA Technical and Competition Rules.

Shorts may depict the Member Association colours as follows:

- New South Wales: Light/Dark Blue;
- Queensland: Maroon;

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- Tasmania: Green with Badge;
- Victoria: Dark Blue;
- South Australia: Red with Blue and Gold;
- Western Australia: Black / Gold with Badge;
- Northern Territory: Black, White and Ochre; and
- Australian Capital Territory: Blue and Gold

Member Association Representation

In Australian Championships and National Selection Events Member Associations shall be entitled to be represented by boxers in weight categories as determined by these Rules.

Unless determined otherwise by the BAI Board, at Australian Boxing Championships each competing Member Association must be represented by at least one referee or referee/judge accredited to National level. Failure of such an officer to attend the Championships without the approval of the BAI Board will result in that Member Association being fined \$1,000.00; to be paid to BAI.

At all Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events each Member Association is entitled to the following number of coaches:

- 1 to 3 boxers – one coach and one manager.
- 4 to 7 boxers – 2 coaches and one manager.
- 8 to 11 boxers – 3 coaches and one manager.
- 12 to 16 boxers – 4 coaches and one manager.
- 17 to 22 boxers – 5 coaches and one manager.
- > 22 boxers – 6 coaches and one manager.

Event Session Times

At all Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events the evening sessions shall ordinarily end no later than 11.00 pm (2300h), however, the Technical Delegate, at his/her sole discretion, may extend the ending time for an evening session or sessions to a time no later than midnight (2359h).

Medal Ceremony

A Gold Medal will be awarded to each winning boxer at the Australian Boxing Championships and a Silver Medal to the runner up in each contested weight division. No Bronze Medals will be awarded.

All medals will be suitably inscribed with a weight division and will be presented with a suitable ribbon.

Perpetual Awards

At all Australian Boxing Championships, 3 perpetual awards will be presented in accordance with Appendix 1.

Demonstrations

The following should be adhered to:

- The need to demonstrate respect for others (particularly those competing and those officiating);
- Considerations of public order and safety: and
- Proper standards of behaviour.

No boxer, coach, referee, judge, tournament official or Member Association shall demonstrate during Australian Boxing Championships or National Selection Events for whatever reason. If a demonstration occurs, the boxer, coach or Member Association concerned shall be excluded by the Technical Delegate from competing in the event and/or from remaining in the venue from the time of the demonstration and any further administration action or penalty determined by the Board of Boxing Australia in its sole and absolute discretion.

Australian Boxing Championships Officials

The following officials will conduct Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events:

Technical Delegate

The Board of Directors of BAI shall appoint a Technical Delegate to ensure the competition venue and competition planning is appropriate for Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events.

The Technical Delegate will ensure the Australian Boxing Championship or National Selection Event is conducted according to the Rules of BAI.

The duties of the Technical Delegate include:

- The validation of entries;
- Overseeing the conduct of the draw by the R&J Committee;
- The conducting of technical meetings;
- The appointment of two timekeepers (appropriately accredited R&J officials);
- The appointment of a computer scoring operator,
- The appointment of weighing stewards (appropriately accredited R&J officials);
- Liaising with BAI Referees and Judges Committee; and
- Overseeing the conduct of the Championships.

Host Member Association Responsibility

The host Member Association organising and promoting the Australian Boxing Championships under the direction of the BAI Board is responsible for the appointment of other officials necessary to conduct the Championships. These officials include a competition manager directly responsible to the Technical Delegate. Officials to be appointed by the host Member Association shall include:

- Competition manager;
- Whips/escorts;
- Dressing room stewards;
- Dress stewards;
- Gloving stewards;
- Announcer;
- Two ring attendants; and
- One medical practitioner and one paramedic or nurse.

The officials appointed by the host Member Association shall undertake responsibilities to include:

- Competition co-ordination;
- Field of play marshalling;
- Results system management;
- Equipment supervision;
- Presentation management;
- Sport information;
- Team liaison;
- Medical supervision; and
- Technical official's services supervision.

If deemed necessary, the host Member Association shall be responsible for the provision of assistants for the above officials.

Duties of Officials

To ensure the conduct of an Australian Boxing Championships or National Selection Event is consistent with the Rules of BAI, specific duties and responsibilities of officials shall include the following:

Competition Manager

The competition manager shall be responsible for the presentation of the Australian Boxing Championships or National Selection Event; and is responsible to the Technical Delegate.

Dressing Room Stewards

There shall be two or more dressing room stewards to generally supervise the dressing rooms; in particular, to ensure competitors are ready to enter the ring on time in accordance with the program and the official announcements.

Whips/Escorts

There will be two or more whips/escorts to escort competitors to the ring on time in accordance with the program and the official announcements.

Dress Stewards

The dress stewards shall ensure the competitors are dressed in accordance with the Rules.

Announcer

The announcer shall, prior to the commencement of each bout, announce the names of the competitors, their corners and the State/Territory each represents. Furthermore, shall receive from the chairman of the jury, and announce between rounds, the official score (if scoring display screens for the public are not available); also, at the conclusion of each bout, the official result of each contest.

Weigh-In Stewards

The weigh-in stewards shall weigh the contestants, in accordance with the Rules, register the boxer's entry on the entry sheet under the weight division in which he/she is entered and make an appropriate entry in the boxer's Competition Record Book. The decision of the weigh-in steward as to the weight of each entrant shall be final and beyond appeal.

Computer Scoring Operator

The computer scoring operator shall be an accredited BAI official who is appointed by the Technical Delegate to maintain and operate the Boxing Scoring System for the recording of the judges' scoring and decision in each contest.

Gloving Stewards

Official gloving stewards shall be appointed to inspect bandages and to supervise the gloving of the contestants.

Ring Attendants

Two ring attendants shall be appointed to attend to the corners. Their duties shall include the good maintenance of the ring and the cleanliness of the ring canvas.

Medical Practitioners

One medical practitioner and one paramedic or nurse shall be in attendance during the Australian Boxing Championships.

A medical practitioner will attend the weigh-in and examine each boxer on the day in which the

boxer is to compete and make the appropriate entry/entries in the boxer's Competition Record Book.

A medical practitioner is to be seated at ringside throughout a bout. If considered necessary, the medical practitioner on duty will examine a boxer following a contest and make the appropriate entry/entries in the boxer's Competition Record Book.

Time Keepers

There shall be two time keepers at Australian Boxing Championships and National Selection Events. These officials shall be accredited by BAI and appointed by the Technical Delegate to undertake the duties set out in Rule 13 of Rules for Competition Officials, AIBA Technical and Competition Rules.