



AIBA BYLAWS

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CHAPTER 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1 Interpretation

- 1.1 These Bylaws have been approved and accepted in accordance with the AIBA Statutes in particular Art. 1.1 "AIBA Bylaws", Art. 27.4 "Congress Proceedings" and Art. 38 "Powers of the Executive Committee".
- 1.2 In the event of any inconsistency or contradiction between these Bylaws and the AIBA Statutes, the AIBA Statutes shall prevail.
- 1.3 All defined terms shall have the meaning given to them in the AIBA Statutes unless otherwise defined herein.
- 1.4 Unless specified, the Congress refers both to the Ordinary or Extraordinary Congress.
- 1.5 The term "AIBA Technical & Competition Rules" is the generic term given to the set of technical & competition rules that apply to AIBA Olympic Boxing, AIBA Professional Boxing and World Series of Boxing.
- 1.6 The term "AIBA Competition" shall have the meaning given to such term in the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules.

CHAPTER 2 CONGRESS

Article 2 Location

- 2.1 The Ordinary Congress shall be held each time in a different country at the invitation of a National Federation.
- 2.2 If an Extraordinary Congress is called, it may be held in conjunction with the AIBA World Boxing Championships.
- 2.3 The National Federation hosting the Congress must use its best endeavors to ensure that all delegates are able to obtain the visa necessary for entry into the country and ensure that there is suitable accommodation made available for all delegates, including those whose costs are not covered by AIBA.

Article 3 Duration

- 3.1 The Ordinary Congress shall be held over a maximum period of five (5) days.
- 3.2 The Extraordinary Congress shall be held over the necessary period.

Article 4 Expenses

- 4.1 For the Extraordinary Congress, AIBA will not pay any cost for delegates.

Article 5 Delegates

- 5.1 The full names of all delegates, in particular the name of the voting delegate, shall be notified to the AIBA Headquarters no later than ten (10) working days before the opening day of the Congress. After this time, no changes may be made to the identity of the voting delegate, except in extraordinary circumstances.
- 5.2 Prior to the commencement of the Congress, AIBA reserves the right to request delegates to provide proof that they hold office as president, vice president, executive director, secretary general, executive committee member, elected member, honorary president or honorary member of the National Federation having appointed them and proof that they legally represent that National Federation at the Congress.
- 5.3 In the event the Extraordinary Congress is held in conjunction with the AIBA World Boxing Championships, a National Federation is permitted to designate either the Team Leader and/or the Head Coach as its delegate(s).

Article 6 Chair

- 6.1 The President shall chair the Congress.
- 6.2 If the President is unable to attend the Congress, the President shall appoint one Vice President from the five Vice Presidents as the Chair of the Congress.
- 6.3 The President shall ensure that the Congress is conducted in compliance with the AIBA Statutes and these Bylaws. He shall open, conduct and close all the debates. He shall grant delegates permission to speak and allot the time within which they may do so.
- 6.4 The President may propose to prolong the debates; the debates shall be prolonged if such a proposal is accepted by a majority of the votes.
- 6.5 The President may call to order any delegate who:
- (a) deviates from the subject, exceeds the speaking time allotted to him/her or contravenes in any other way the AIBA Statutes, these Bylaws, the Code of Ethics the Disciplinary Code and the Procedural Rules; or
 - (b) disturbs the debates by his/her behavior.
- 6.6 If the call to order is not effective, the President may, depending on the gravity of the delegate's behavior, decide to:
- (a) withdraw his/her speaking time;
 - (b) reprimand him/her;
 - (c) exclude him/her from one or several debates; and/or
 - (d) remove him/her from the Congress.
- 6.7 If the delegate does not comply with the President's decision as per Art. 5.5 and 5.6 above, then the President may initiate disciplinary or other legal action against the relevant delegate.

Article 7 Interpreters

7.1 The Executive Director shall appoint qualified interpreters to translate the debates into the official languages of the Congress.

Article 8 Debates

8.1 No delegate shall speak unless the President has granted permission to him/her to do so.

8.2 A delegate may only speak a maximum of twice on the same subject. If the President deems it necessary, he may authorize the delegate to speak again.

Article 9 Votes on a Decision

9.1 Voting shall be carried out either by electronic count or by raising hands. Voting with hands can include raising color panels (green, red and white). The manner in which the voting will be carried out shall be decided by the President prior to the vote. The Executive Director shall conduct and manage the voting process. Counting of votes will be carried out by people designated by the Executive Director.

9.2 Before each vote, the Executive Director shall read the text of the proposal aloud and explain the voting procedure to the Congress.

9.3 No one is permitted to address the Congress during the votes and until after the final results have been announced.

9.4 The President shall announce the results.

9.5 The Congress may then decide whether to carry out an examination of the subject, as a whole or in stages (i.e. article by article).

Article 10 Votes on Elections

10.1 Before each vote, the Executive Director shall explain the voting procedure to the Congress. The Executive Director shall conduct and manage the voting process.

10.2. No one is permitted to address the Congress during the votes and until after all final results have been announced.

10.3 The President shall announce the result of each ballot.

10.4 The Executive Director shall preserve the voting ballots (paper or electronic voting system results) at the AIBA Headquarters for four (4) years from the date of the vote or until the next Congress, whichever is the later.

CHAPTER 3 MAINTENANCE OF MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

Article 11 Membership

11.1 A National Federation can only be responsible for governing the sport of boxing. It is prohibited for a National Federation and/or its President to be responsible for governing any other sporting activity, including mixed martial arts (MMA), UFC, Kickboxing, K-1 and other similar combat sports as may be determined by AIBA.

11.2 A National Federation President and Executive Committee members must be national passport holders of the National Federation country. In the event the President or Executive Committee member holds dual-nationality, he or she must decide upon one country they wish to represent and provide proof that it is their country of residence if requested to do so.

Article 12 Membership Fees

12.1 Each National Federation shall pay an annual fee of US\$ 250.00 to AIBA.

12.2 This fee is due on January 1 of each year.

12.3 For the period this annual fee remains unpaid, the National Federation will not benefit from any of AIBA's development program and will not be allowed to participate in any bidding process for hosting an AIBA Competition.

12.4 If a National Federation does not pay all annual fees due six (6) months before the Ordinary Congress, it will automatically lose its rights in accordance with Art. 17.3 of the AIBA Statutes.

12.5 If a National Federation does not pay all annual fees due two (2) months before the Extraordinary Congress, it will automatically lose its right to participate and vote at the Extraordinary Congress.

Article 13 Leadership within the National Federation

13.1 No National Federation is authorized to remain without an elected president for a period exceeding six (6) months.

13.2 If the president of the National Federation is absent due to any cause, is incapable of carrying out his/her function as president, or has been suspended by AIBA or any other body, AIBA may call upon the National Federation to organize a new presidential election

13.3 The new presidential election must be held within 3 months of notification by AIBA

CHAPTER 4 EXCLUSION OF NATIONAL FEDERATIONS

Article 14 Exclusion

14.1 If a National Federation is excluded by the EC in accordance with Art. 18.2 of the AIBA Statutes, AIBA will no longer recognize that National Federation as responsible for governing the sport of boxing in that country.

14.2 In such circumstances the EC may decide to admit and recognize a new Provisional Member to replace the excluded National Federation until the next Congress.

14.3 If the EC decision to exclude the National Federation is ratified by Congress, the new Provisional Member shall be eligible to have its membership ratified in accordance with Art. 9.2 of the AIBA Statutes.

CHAPTER 5 PERMANENT COMMISSIONS

Article 15 Role of AIBA Commissions

- 15.1 AIBA Commission Members may be proposed by National Federations and appointed by the President. Notwithstanding Art. 46.2 of the AIBA Statutes, the President may appoint a Commission Member based on his/her expertise even where such person is not proposed by his/her respective National Federation.
- 15.2 All Commissions are advisory by nature. Recommendations made by a Commission shall be implemented only if they have been approved by the President or Executive Committee or Executive Committee Bureau. All approved recommendations are implemented by the AIBA Headquarters with the assistance of the relevant Commission.
- 15.3. The total number of the members in each Commission will be decided by the President and the members could be appointed from the same country.
- 15.4 All Commission Members serve at the discretion of the President and the President has the full discretion to remove and/or replace any Commission Member as he sees fit.

Article 16 Athletes & Youth Commission

- 16.1 This Commission ensures representation, protection and promotion of the interests of the Boxers. Its main objective is to help Boxers making the difficult transition from elite sport to a new career.
- 16.2 This Commission also deals with issues related to the practice, development and promotion of boxing amongst the youth.

Article 17 Coaches Commission

- 17.1 This Commission ensures representation, protection and promotion of the interests of the coaches. It is also responsible for the development and implementation of the AIBA Coaching Management System.
- 17.2 This Commission also aims to improve access to new training information technologies and produce tools to comprehensively educate and train coaches over the world (a universal integrated teaching system for coaches).

Article 18 Ethics Commission

- 18.1 This Commission ensures compliance with the AIBA Code of Ethics. This Commission also investigates complaints, alleged breaches of Code of Ethics or other related issues and, if necessary, recommends sanctions or other actions.

Article 19 Medical Commission

- 19.1 This Commission deals with all medical issues relating to boxing and in particular issues relating to the health and safety of Boxers. It also coordinates anti-doping matters.

19.2 It also provides a high level of expertise and knowledge about the care and follow-up treatment of Boxers in different environments, at the ringside and out of competition, including fitness to box, performance and improvement issues.

19.3 This Commission aims to provide the AIBA Headquarters with a sufficient number of ringside physicians for all AIBA Competitions including WSB and APB; to this end, it shall arrange various training programs and provide educational materials leading to a sustainable high quality of ringside physicians. It also contributes to all AIBA projects medical dimension in order to promote the safety of boxing.

Article 20 Refereeing & Judging Commission

20.1 This Commission deals with all issues related to Referees & Judges. It is responsible for the development and implementation of the AIBA R&J Management System that caters for the development, education, certification and maintenance of R&Js.

20.2 It also ensures that Officials appointed to AIBA Competitions are suitably qualified and secures sufficient numbers of appropriately accredited R&Js for, international, regional and national competitions by creating teaching tools, tutorial and career paths that will sustain the quality of R&Js.

20.3 This Commission also identifies and recommends R&Js to support the WSB and APB program.

Article 21 Technical & Rules Commission

21.1 This Commission is responsible for the development of AIBA Technical & Competition Rules applicable to boxing and proposes new rules and/or amendments to existing rules. One of its main tasks is to implement the current AIBA scoring system.

21.2 It also deals with issues concerning boxing equipment and competition uniforms and helps implement the R&J and Coaching Management Systems.

21.3 This Commission is also responsible for the development and amendment to the WSB Technical & Competition Rules.

Article 22 Women's Commission

22.1 This Commission deals with specific issues related to the practice, development and promotion of boxing amongst women.

22.2 It also encourages the grassroots development of women's boxing, as well as of women R&Js, Coaches, ITOs and Officials. This Commission aims to add more weight categories to the women's competition in any International Multi-Sports Events including the Olympic Games.

Article 23 WSB Commission

23.1 This Commission is responsible for the continuing development of WSB.

- existing as at the date of these Bylaws);
- (b) sponsorship, advertising, merchandising, marketing and other forms of rights of association;
 - (c) ticketing, hospitality and other concession rights; and
 - (d) other rights to commercialize the event (including without limitation any so called "event rights" and any right to authorize the taking of bets on the event).
- 29.2 AIBA or the AIBA Marketing Company, as the case may be, shall be entitled to exploit the Commercial Rights in such manner as it considers appropriate, including granting licenses in respect of the same (or part thereof) to relevant National Federation(s) or other third party(ies) (each an "**Exploiting Body**") from time to time.
- 29.3 Each National Federation shall, and shall ensure that their members, officials, Boxers, coaches, delegates and other affiliates shall:
- (a) comply with any and all rules, regulations and/or guidelines in relation to the exploitation of the Commercial Rights which may be issued from time to time by or on behalf of AIBA or the AIBA Marketing Company, as the case may be;
 - (b) provide any right, facility and service required by AIBA and/or the AIBA Marketing Company and/or the relevant Exploiting Body as the case may be, to fully exploit the Commercial Rights; and
 - (c) shall not infringe or breach any exclusive right granted under Article 29.3(b).
- 29.4 For the avoidance of doubt only AIBA or the AIBA Marketing Company, as the case may be, may enforce Art. 29.3 against a National Federation and no third party shall be entitled to do so.

CHAPTER 9 AIBA PROFESSIONAL BOXING

Article 30 APB

- 30.1 Pursuant to Art. 8.3, 8.4 and 59.3 of the AIBA Statutes, each National Federation must by December 31, 2016 create a separate body to run and administer the APB program in that country (the "**APB Body**"). The APB Body shall fall under the authority and control of the National Federation and the president of the National Federation shall serve as president of the APB Body.

Article 31 APB Executive Board

31.1 Composition

Further to Art. 59.3 of the AIBA Statutes, the APB Executive Board consists of a maximum of 12 (twelve) voting members including the AIBA President who shall act as Chairman of the APB Executive Board (the "**Chairman**").

The AIBA Treasurer and the AIBA Executive Director shall be non-voting members of the APB Executive Board.

31.2 Appointment

The members of the APB Executive Board are appointed by and serve at the discretion of the Chairman. The Chairman has the power to remove and/or replace any member of the APB Executive Board upon the recommendation of the APB Executive Board.

31.3 Eligibility

31.3.1 In order to be eligible to be appointed as an APB Executive Board member, a person must:

- (i) not have been sanctioned for a violation of the Statutes, the AIBA Bylaws, the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules, the Disciplinary Code or the Procedural Rules;
- (ii) not be a paid employee of any National Federation or Confederation; and
- (iii) not, at the time of appointment to the APB Executive Board, hold any position in any “outside” professional boxing/combat sport organizations other than the World Series of Boxing and APB, it being understood that a National Federation which has both Olympic Boxing and professional divisions within its structure shall not be considered as an “outside” professional boxing organization.

31.3.2 The APB Executive Board shall not include more than one member from any jurisdiction in which a National Federation is established.

31.4 Powers of the APB Executive Board, Duties of Members, Oversight of AIBA Executive Committee

31.4.1 The APB Executive Board shall have the power to make decisions (subject to ratification by the AIBA Executive Committee) on all matters relating to the APB program which do not fall within the legal or statutory jurisdiction of the Congress, the AIBA Executive Committee or the Disciplinary Commission.

31.4.2 In particular, the APB Executive Board shall be responsible for overseeing the APB competition management, the development of APB Boxers and officials and for overseeing the relationships between APB and each Confederation and National Federation. The APB Executive Board may propose changes to the AIBA Technical & Rules Commission for onward proposal to the AIBA Executive Committee.

31.4.3 The APB Executive Board members shall attend meetings of the APB Executive Board when requested to do so by the Chairman.

31.4.4 The APB Executive Board members shall act at all times in the best interests of APB and AIBA and shall refrain from any action whatsoever which could be contrary to the interests of AIBA and APB and upon their appointment to the APB Executive Board shall sign a declaration to that effect.

31.5 APB Executive Board Bureau

31.5.1 The Chairman has the power to establish an APB Executive Board Bureau (“**APB EB Bureau**”).

31.5.2 The APB EB Bureau will function in place of the APB Executive Board for all urgent matters that fall under the authority of the APB Executive Board requiring settlement between two meetings of the APB Executive Board.

31.5.3 The APB EB Bureau shall consist of 5 (five) voting members:

(i) the Chairman; and

(ii) 4 (four) voting members of the APB Executive Board appointed to the APB EB Bureau by the Chairman.

The AIBA Executive Director shall be a non-voting member of the APB EB Bureau

31.5.4 The Chairman shall notify the APB Executive Board of the decisions passed by the APB EB Bureau. All decisions taken by the APB EB Bureau shall be ratified by the APB Executive Board at its next meeting.

31.6 Meetings

31.6.1 The APB Executive Board shall meet at least once a year. The Chairman shall convene the meetings of the APB Executive Board and shall draw up the agenda.

31.6.2 As a general rule, no other person other than the APB Executive Board members may attend a meeting of the APB Executive Board. However, the Chairman, when he deems appropriate, may invite third parties to attend. For the avoidance of doubt, such third parties shall not have the right to vote.

31.7 Quorum

31.7.1 The APB Executive Board can convene once 50% (fifty per cent.) plus 1 (one) of the voting members of the APB Executive Board (including the Chairman) are present. Only APB Executive Board members present at the meeting are permitted to vote.

31.7.2 The APB EB Bureau can convene once three (3) members of the APB EB Bureau are present in person or by telephone.

31.8 Voting

31.8.1 Each APB Executive Board member present at an APB Executive Board meeting must either cast a positive or negative vote or abstain.

31.8.2 A simple majority is sufficient for a vote to be valid. Abstentions are disregarded in calculating the majority. The Chairman shall cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

31.8.3 On important matters and at the discretion of the Chairman, the APB Executive Board or APB EB Bureau may be invited to make a decision by an email vote. In such cases, the AIBA Headquarters shall distribute the relevant information to all APB Executive Board or APB EB Bureau members. If, within 5 days of being called upon to vote, an absolute majority of the APB Executive Board or APB EB Bureau members, state in writing that they support the decision, the decision will be passed and will be deemed to be an effective decision of the APB Executive Board or APB EB Bureau.

31.8.4 The APB Executive Board or the APB EB Bureau shall fix the date for a decision to take effect.

31.8.5. All decisions of the APB Executive Board are subject to ratification by the AIBA Executive Committee.

31.8.6 APB Executive Board members must abstain from taking part in deliberations and/or decisions on any matter involving the National Federation with which such APB Executive Board member is associated or on any matter involving a conflict of interest.

Where there is a doubt as to whether an APB Executive Board member is conflicted in relation to a particular issue, the Chairman shall decide on the right of such member to vote.

Article 32 Professional Boxing

32.1 Where the term “professional boxing organization” is used in the AIBA Statutes, Rules, Regulations or these Bylaws, such term shall be interpreted as referring to any organization or entity, including any regulatory, licensing or sanctioning bodies, involved in a professional sports activity where boxing is a component part of such activity and shall include such sports activities as mixed martial arts (MMA), UFC, kickboxing, K-1 and other similar combat sports as may be determined by AIBA.

32.2 Where the term “professional boxing match” is used in the AIBA Statutes, Rules, Regulations or these Bylaws, such term shall be interpreted as referring to any professional sports activity where boxing is a component part of such activity and shall include such sports activities as mixed martial arts (MMA), UFC, kickboxing, K-1 and other similar combat sports as may be determined by AIBA.

CHAPTER 10 NATIONAL FEDERATION STATUTES, BYLAWS, CONSTITUTIONS, ELECTIONS

Article 33 National Federation Statutes and Bylaws

33.1 Pursuant to Art. 6.1 and 13 (D) of the AIBA Statutes, following any amendment of the AIBA Statutes or these Bylaws, each National Federation must update their own statutes, constitution and bylaws and to ensure that such statutes, constitution and bylaws comply fully with the AIBA Statutes and these Bylaws. Each National Federation shall submit their amended statutes, constitution and bylaws to AIBA for approval no later than 6 (six) months after the date on which the AIBA Statutes or these Bylaws were amended.

Article 34 Election of National Federation Officers

34.1 In deciding whether or not to approve and recognize any election of officers of a National Federation and the organizational structure of a National Federation pursuant to Art. 13(E) and Art. 14 of the AIBA Statutes, AIBA shall consider the following, non-exhaustive list of factors:

- (a) the integrity of the election and appointment process;
- (b) the level of external interference in the election and appointment process;
- (c) the affiliation to a professional boxing organization of any elected officer of a National Federation, it being understood that where any such elected officer has held any position within, or has been affiliated to, any professional boxing entity (other than World Series of Boxing and/or APB), including as a Boxer, coach or

trainer, such officer must have resigned from such position no later than one (1) year prior to the relevant election. Such officer shall not be entitled to hold any position within, or be affiliated to, any professional boxing organization (other than World Series of Boxing and/or APB) for so long as such officer is an Official of his/her National Federation. This Art. 34.1(c) shall not apply to Officials of National Federations to which Art. 8.3 of the AIBA Statutes applies; and

- (d) whether the election has taken place in accordance with local laws, AIBA, Confederation and National Federation Statutes and Bylaws.
- (e) observance by the National Federation of the AIBA Code of Ethics in conducting the election.

CHAPTER 11 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER ELIGIBILITY

Article 35 Eligibility

- 35.1 Upon election as an EC Member, each EC Member must continue to fulfill all of the eligibility criteria set out in Art. 35 of the AIBA Statutes.
- 35.2 For the avoidance of doubt, where an EC Member no longer fulfills all of the eligibility criteria set out in Art. 35 of the AIBA Statutes, or, if a National Federation removes their nomination for an EC Member or a National Federation informs AIBA that the EC member is no longer a member of the National Federation, the President shall have the power to remove such EC Member and appoint a replacement in accordance with Art. 37.3 (A) and (B) of the AIBA Statutes.
- 35.3 The replacement EC Member will receive full EC Member status immediately after the EC meeting at which that EC Member's appointment is approved by the EC.
- 35.4 The President has the power to remove any AIBA EC Member should he or she be absent (without any valid reason) from two (2) EC meetings and appoint a replacement in accordance with Art. 37.3 (A) and (B) of the AIBA Statutes

CHAPTER 12 HONORARY POSITIONS AND AWARDS

Article 36 AIBA Order of Merit

- 36.1 An Order of Merit may be awarded to individuals who have made a distinguished contribution to boxing or have otherwise achieved remarkable merit in the sport.
- 36.2 When the occasion is necessary, the AIBA President will send to Officials requests for recommendations for suitable candidates for the AIBA Order of Merit.
- 36.3 When all applications have been received, the President will decide to whom he will award the Order of Merit.
- 36.4 An honorary position may be bestowed upon an individual together with the AIBA Order of Merit.

CHAPTER 13 AIBA OLYMPIC COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

Article 37 Olympic Compliance Committee

37.1 Prior to the commencement of the Olympic Games, the AIBA President may establish an ad hoc committee in order to evaluate and make any recommendation to the AIBA President for his decision during the Olympic Games on the following issues:

- (a) Disciplinary matters or violations;
- (b) Betting, manipulation or corruption matters or violations;
- (c) Ethical matters or violations;
- (d) Crisis management relating to issues raised outside of the Field of Play;
- (d) The media; and
- (e) Any other matter deemed appropriate by the AIBA President.

37.2 The President shall appoint 3 members to the ad hoc committee.

CHAPTER 14 ADOPTION AND COMING INTO FORCE

These Bylaws were adopted by the AIBA Executive Committee on July 8, 2012, who fixed the date for the Bylaws coming into force as July 8, 2012.