

# **Rules And Regulations**



**WBA ASIA BOXING ASSOCIATION**  
(WBA ASIA)



*For Reigniting the Sprit of Boxing and for Reintegrating all the Stakeholder of Boxing in the Eastern Hemisphere, WBA Asia Boxing Association Has Been Born.*

The most urgent and serious issues we are facing today is how to upgrade boxing quality of championship bouts before the fans consequently turn their faces away due to failing to meet the essential requirement as professional contests. It is, needless to say, our responsibility to bring them back into arenas by enhancing quality and professionalism. To improve championship matches, first of all, the relevant regional boxing entity needs to carry out unbiased operations for

qualified contestants and bonafide promoters by providing the integrated contest rules and policy to be equally applied to all involved.

In order to achieve our goals, thus, we have established a newly reformed regional sanctioning organization WBA Asia Boxing Association for the entire boxing community in our Continent.

The bright roads of the future will be clear for all of us when we work together as did in the past.

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## **GENERAL / OBJECTIVES / OFFICERS**

1. The WBA ASIA BOXING ASSOCIATION, herein referred to as “Association”, is established as an regional boxing sanctioning entity existing in the laws of the Republic of Korea.
2. The Association has been formed as non-profit voluntary organization to reinforce quality of professional boxing match in Asia regions by reforming current boxing structures and to conduct uniformity in contest rules and supervision.
3. The Association affiliates to the World Boxing Association(WBA) only as a continental regional organization and shall correspond with WBA for its regional championships, ratings, result of events and the relevant issues to facilitate all activities.
4. The Association shall establish liaison with local boxing commissions to carry out contests for the Association championship promoting for the best interests of all involved.
5. The President of Association shall be chief executive officer and shall preside over meetings and shall be responsible financial matters to operate the Association.
6. The President shall serve a five(5) year term. The President shall appoint Member of Directory Board which shall be consisting of Executive Secretary, Treasurer and Vice presidents and Representatives for the respective jurisdictions.
7. The Executive Secretary shall carry out all the duties of the President in absence of president for the operational and administrative continuity of the Association.

## **CONTEST RULES AND REGULATIONS**

### **Article 1. Weight of Division**

The WBA ASIA establishes the 18 weight divisions as follow;

Heavyweight	over 224 lbs/+101.60 kg
Bridgerweight	up to 224 lbs/ 101.60 kg
Cruiserweight	up to 200 lbs/ 90.71 kg
Light Heavyweight	up to 175 lbs/ 79.38 kg
Super Middleweight	up to 168 lbs/ 76.20 kg
Middleweight	up to 160 lbs/ 72.58 kg
Super Welterweight	up to 154 lbs/ 69.85 kg
Welterweight	up to 147 lbs/ 66.68 kg
Super Lightweight	up to 140 lbs/ 63.50 kg
Lightweight	up to 135 lbs/ 61.23 kg

Super Featherweight	up to 130 lbs/ 58.97 kg
Featherweight	up to 126 lbs/ 57.15 kg
Super Bantamweight	up to 122 lbs/ 55.34 kg
Bantamweight	up to 118 lbs/ 53.42 kg
Super Flyweight	up to 115 lbs/ 52.16 kg
Flyweight	up to 112 lbs/ 50.80 kg
Light Flyweight	up to 108 lbs/ 48.99 kg
Minimumweight	up to 105 lbs/ 47.63 kg

## **Article 2. General Regulations**

2-1. Association champion shall be permitted to hold one title. If a champion wins another weight category, the champion should relinquish one of titles within ten(10) days after obtaining the new title.

2-2. Champion shall defend title within ninety(90) days after winning of the title unless otherwise extended. If champion fails to have a defense match within maximum one hundred fifty(150) days from the date he won the title, his title shall be automatically vacated.

2-3. In order to activate the corresponding division and for most benefit of contenders, the Association shall establish WBA ASIA EAST and WBA ASIA SOUTH title championships as its Sub-Titles.

Sub-Title champion, likewise Interim champion, is entitled first priority to challenge regular championship.

In case of a title vacant the Interim champion and or Sub-title champion of the category is entitled to be declared as new champion by president's sole discretion.

2-4. An Association champion shall not participate in any other bout. If he participates in a bout without having been permitted by the Association, his title shall be declared vacant. The "permit fee" must be paid by the champion unless the fee is previously waived by the president for good cause shown.

2-5. Promoter shall pay the sanction fees thirty(30) days before the date of contest to the Association. If a championship match is not carried out after approval, Association has no responsible to reimburse the fees to promoter.

President shall establish amount of sanction fee, official and supervisor fees and champion belt cost.

2-6. Promoter shall be responsible to pay all insurance requiring by local commission and the relevant medical expenses if boxer injured and or needed medication and or hospitalization.

2-7. Purse Bidding Offer shall be called when it is required to open for a mandatory title match. Purse bid procedure is annexed herewith.

### **Article 3. Contest Rules**

#### **3-1. OFFICIALS**

3-1.1 Supervisor, referee and three judges appointed by the president shall officiate championship match.

##### **3-1.2 REFEREE**

Referee shall exercise authority to determine stop the fight, deduct point, accidental and or intentional blow, head butt and injury.

##### **3-1.3 SUPERVISOR**

Supervisor has been authorized to take steps which may requiring urgent decision on behalf of Association for the benefit of all parties involved.

#### **3-2. BOUT DURATION**

Every championship match shall be twelve (12) round unless otherwise permitted ten (10) round by the Association under special circumstances. Each round shall be three (3) minutes duration with a one (1) minute rest between rounds.

#### **3-3. WEIGH-IN**

3-3.1 Official weigh-in shall be taking place one day before of the contest at time and place designated by local boxing authorities.

3-3.2 If the champion who made the weight, lose the bout to his challenger who failed to make the weight, the champion shall retain the championship title.

3-3.3 If the champion fails to make the required weight, he shall lose the title by the scale. If the challenger made the prescribed weight and wins the bout, he shall be new champion. If the champion who failed to make the weight wins the bout, the title shall be declared vacant.

3-3.4 If a contestant or both fails to make weight at the designated official weigh-in time, then additional two (2) hours shall be given to make the prescribed weight.

3-3.5 If both boxers fail to make the weight after additional two (2) hours provided, the title shall be declared vacant.

#### **3-4. SCORING**

3-4.1 Ten (10) Point Must System shall be applied to all championship matches. All bouts will be evaluated and scored by three (3) judges. A score should not be less than ten (10)-seven (7) unless a different scoring system is mandated by law, or the referee has taken away points.

3-4.2 If the bout terminated in the middle of round that has not completed three (3) minutes action, judge should score the incomplete round.

#### **3-5. KNOCKDOWN**

3-5.1 Referee shall take mandatory eight (8) count to knocked-down boxer and if he does not or not able to continue the fight before count of ten (10) he will be declared as loser by K.O.

3-5.2 **Three (3) knockdowns** in the same round constitute an automatic knockout (K.O.)

3-5.3. Standing eight (8) count shall **NOT** be applying and **the bell can not save** the knocked-down boxer.

### 3-6. **OUTSIDE OF THE RING**

A boxer shall receive twenty (20) seconds count if the boxer is knocked out of the ring and onto the floor (given ten (10) seconds if knocked onto the ring apron). The boxer is to be unassisted by his seconds. The referee may rule a knockdown. If assisted by any one, the boxer may lose point or be disqualified by referee's sole discretion.

### 3-7. **BLOW**

3-7.1 In case a blow is rendered to opponent at same time the bell ring, it shall be regarded as legal punch.

3-7.2 In case a boxer has been hit by **Low Blow** he shall be given maximum Five (5) minutes rest and if the boxer does not continue the fight, he will lose the fight by T.K.O (Technical Knocked Out) because the genial protector used by both boxers is considered to be enough protection to withstand any low blows.

3-7.3 If a boxer sustains an injury by a **legal blow** and the injury is severe enough to stop the contest immediately or stop in the subsequent round, the injured boxer shall lose by T.K.O (Technical Knocked Out).

### 3-8. **FOULS**

#### 3-8.1 **INTENTIONAL** Fouls/Blows

In case the championship match has been immediately stopped by referee due to an intentional foul or unfair blow, the offender shall lose by **disqualification**.

If as a result of an intentional illegal blow a boxer causes an injury, the referee will automatically deduct two (2) point to the offender.

However, if the match could continue and in subsequent round the fight is stopped because the same injury becomes worse, then the decision shall be;

- The fight terminated **AFTER** the completion of 4th round
  - : Technical Draw - if the injured boxer is in behind or in draw in score cards
  - : Technical Decision - if the injured boxer is in ahead

#### 3-8.2 **ACCIDENTAL** Fouls/Blows/Cut

If championship match cannot continue due to a boxer is accidentally injured and consequently stopped the match, then the decision shall be;

- The fight terminated **AFTER** the completion of 4th round
  - : Technical Decision - a boxer who is in ahead of score cards shall be winner

3-8.3 The fight terminated **BEFORE** the completion of 4th round (by Intentional or Accidental injury)

- : No Decision

### **3-9. UNEXPECTED MATCH SUSPENDED**

In case the championship match suspended before the completion of the scheduled round because of any unexpected reasons, the boxer who is in ahead of scorecards shall be winner by Technical Decision provided 4th round has been completed. If the contest stopped before completion of 4th round, the decision will be No Decision.

### **3-10. SECONDS**

Only one second/cornerman is allowed in the ring between rounds. Each boxer shall be allowed no more than four (4) seconds (cornerman).

### **3-11. HYDRATION**

Only pure water is allowing to drink during the match.

### **3-12. MOUTHPIECE**

All boxers are required to wear a mouthpiece during competition. A second mouthpiece must be available. The referee may deduct points if he considers the boxer spits the mouthpiece on purpose.

### **3-13. GENITAL PROTECTOR**

All boxers are required to use genital protector for the fights. The protector should not be used to exceed the navel line. Pants must cover an inch of genital protector.

### **3-14. BANDAGE**

Bandage shall be free but not allow to cover knuckle of boxer's hands by the surgical tape. The surgical tape shall be applied one (1) inch beyond the knuckles of the hands.

3-15. **ANTI DOPING TEST** will be taken after the contest.

3-16. The weight of gloves to be used for the championship match shall be as follow;

- Minimum weight up to Welterweight: eight(8) ounces
- Super Welterweight up to Heavyweight: ten(10) ounces

3-17. The measure of ring shall be no less than 18 feet(5.5 meter) and no more than 24 feet(7.3 meter) long for each side between ropes.

### **3-18. Safety Guidelines**

In order to fight for Association championship title, contestants must submit a medical examination to the local boxing authorities where the match will be taking place.

Medical standard recognized by the World Boxing Association for the safety of boxer shall be observed.

3-19. The World Boxing Association championship contest rules and regulations shall be observed and applied to the Association title match.

#### **Article 4. Amendment**

The amendments and or modifications and or creation of new provisions and Executive Order approved by the President shall have immediate effect except if the respective provision states otherwise.

#### **Article 5. Conflict with Local Laws**

Provision of this championship contest Rules and Regulations shall not prevail over any Laws of States and or Nations in the event that they are contrary to the governing Laws in the respective territory.

In spite of the above, the Rules governing the Association championship contest shall be of obligatory compliance and shall prevail over the local boxing rules and provisions in the said championship contest.

WBA ASIA BOXING ASSOCIATION

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### Purse Bidding Procedure

1. The champion and challenger or contenders nominated by President for their mandatory fight shall have twenty(20) days to reach an agreement.
2. if the parties for the mandatory fight do not come to an agreement in the specified date, then President shall open a Purse Bidding only after receiving a formal request from promoter.
3. A minimum amount of Bid shall be established by President in the bidding announcement along with date, place and the relevant information.
4. Qualified bidders should pay and present the following fees and papers to participate in Bid;
  - 4-1. two thousand(2000) U.S Dollars cash as Bid Service Fee. This service fee is not refundable to the bidders.
  - 4-2. the relevant sanction fee which is not refundable either.
  - 4-3. twenty(20) percent of the total purse offered to the both boxers by U.S Dollars in cash. This amount shall be return to promoter after the fight is held.
  - 4-4. a date of fight and location: Fight date should not be more than 60 days nor less than 45 days from the bid date unless a specified date of period has been indicated in the announcement.
  - 4-5. the purse indicated in the bid for the both boxers shall be distributed as follow;
    - \*mandatory fight- champion 70 %, challenger 30 %
    - \*unification fight- Regular champion 55 %  
Sub-title or Interim champion 45 %
  - 4-6. in the event a winning bidder fails to promote the fight the money paid by the promoter corresponding to 20 % shall be distributed as follow:
    - \*for regular champion 50 %
    - \*challenger or sub-title champion 40 %
    - \*for Association 10 %
5. Both boxers should sign on the contracts to be provided by the winning bidder based on the result of bidding. The signed contracts must be submitted to President within seven(7) working days after the bidding.
  - 5-1. If the champion should refuse to comply with the commitment of the Bid, the title shall be declared vacant. In this case, a leading contender shall be called to fight for the vacant title.
  - 5-2. If the challenger should refuse to comply with, he shall lose his status and champion shall select an opponent for the scheduled fight.
6. If neither promoter should participate in the Bid, the champion then shall be free to fight an eligible contender for his voluntary defense match.

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