



Competition Rules

Compliance with Boxing Australia Competition Rules

These regulations are established to uphold fairness, equality, and safety in boxing events. They are applicable to all Boxing Australia's Competitions and those organised and sanctioned by Boxing Australia State Associations. Boxing Australia state associations cannot create rules that conflict with these rules. However, Boxing Australia state associations may adjust these regulations for local events in their jurisdiction to align with their state laws, provided these changes do not compromise Boxing Australia's rules, particularly regarding medical and safety standards.

The Competition Rules are to be read in conjunction with the Boxing Australia Medical Rules.

Amendment of Boxing Australia Competition Rules

Boxing Australia's Board evaluates and processes all proposals, subsequently presenting a final version of amended Competition rules to the Rules Committee for consideration and approval. Please note that Boxing Australia retains the right to amend this document as required in response to immediate situational changes. This document is subject to revisions as needed serves as a continuously evolving resource.

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1. Rule 1: Competitions

1.1. Competition

- 1.1.1. The following principles will apply to all competitions conducted by Boxing Australia Limited (BAL) and its State/Territory Associations:
- 1.1.1.1. All competitions conducted by BAL and its State/Territory Associations shall comply with these regulations. However, where these regulations are silent in relation to any matter and BAL has not given direction then the competition shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of World Boxing.
 - 1.1.1.2. Boxers will as far as is possible, be evenly matched in regard to weight, age, and competition experience in accordance with the Rules.
 - 1.1.1.3. Female boxers shall not compete against male boxers at public competitions in any capacity, including, but not limited to, exhibition demonstrations.
 - 1.1.1.4. Officiating referees and judges (R&Js) must be accredited in accordance with these rules and have their R&J record books in hand.
 - 1.1.1.5. Coaches must be accredited in accordance with these rules and under the Boxing Australia coach's accreditation scheme.
 - 1.1.1.6. Referees, judges, coaches, and competition officials shall not consume alcohol on the day they participate during a competition, until all their duties have been completed.
 - 1.1.1.7. A Competition usually covers multiple days.
 - 1.1.1.8. All participants are subject to and comply by all Boxing Australia's relevant policies and regulations found on Boxing Australia's website (i.e. Code of Conduct, Member Protection Policy, Anti-Doping, Competition Manipulation and betting etc).
 - 1.1.1.9. No boxer will compete in more than one (1) bout per day unless otherwise determine, and then only with the authority of the Technical Delegate. In these circumstances, the boxers concerned will compete against each other before the same Technical Delegate and officiating R&J unless the Technical Delegate determines otherwise.

1.2. International Competitions

- 1.2.1. Refer to the World Boxing Competition Rules.

1.3. Australian Competitions

- 1.3.1. Australian competitions are boxing competitions either owned or sanctioned by Boxing Australia.
- 1.3.2. Competitions owned by Boxing Australia:
 - Australian Boxing Championships (Elite)
 - Australian Schools Championships
- 1.3.3. Boxing Australia will host and run all its events unless specified otherwise.
- 1.3.4. An Australian competition is defined as any competition conducted in which boxers from three (3) or more states and or territories compete for their State Associations.
- 1.3.5. No State and Territory shall use the name 'National' or 'Australia/n' as their event title. These naming rights are reserved for Boxing Australia run event. Prior approval through Boxing Australia's CEO and Board is required.
- 1.3.6. All Boxing Australia's Competition will be listed on the official website of Boxing Australia, under Events Calendar.

- 1.3.7. For all Australian Competition run by Boxing Australia, BAL will appoint a Technical Delegate and Competition manager in order to ensure the effective operations of the event in accordance with the Boxing Australia Rules and World Boxing Rules.
- 1.3.8. For any National Selection event, all boxers must at the time of entry provide their passports to ensure they are eligible to compete.

1.4. State/Territory Associations Competitions

- 1.4.1. State/Territory Association competitions are boxing competition organised and sanctioned by States or Territories affiliated to Boxing Australia and without any involvement of Boxing Australia.
- 1.4.2. State/Territory Association shall not hold their State titles or selection event within 30 days from the commencement of any Boxing Australia Championship or Selection event.

Novice and Intermediate boxers

- 1.4.3. State/Territory Association and local clubs may hold novice and intermediate bouts and championships.
- 1.4.4. State/Territory Association shall conduct novice and intermediate bouts and championships in accordance with these Competitions Rules.
- 1.4.5. Novice and intermediate divisions will not be contested at Australian Boxing Championships. Where a novice or intermediate boxer wins selection to compete at the Australian Boxing Championships or a National Selection Competition they shall compete as a non-novice boxer.
- 1.4.6. Where a novice and intermediate boxer competes in an open state or national championship final, they no longer can compete as a novice or intermediate boxer.
- 1.4.7. Subject to these Competition Rules novice boxers may be matched with non-novice boxers at local competitions.
- 1.4.8. Novice and intermediate boxers 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 and intermediate boxers concerned and with the agreement of the Technical Delegate and/or senior R&J present.
- 1.4.9. Novice and intermediate boxers 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 and intermediate boxers concerned and with the agreement of the Technical Delegate and/or senior R&J present.
- 1.4.10. Novice and intermediate boxers aged 17 and 18 years shall box 3 rounds of 2 minutes duration each. The duration of the rounds may be changed to 1.5 minutes or up to 3 minutes at the request of the coaches of the novice and intermediate boxers concerned with the agreement of the Technical Delegate and/or senior R&J present.
- 1.4.11. Novice and intermediate boxers aged 19-40 years of age shall box 3 rounds of 2 minutes duration each. The duration of the rounds may be changed to 1.5 minutes or up to 3 minutes at the request of both of the coaches of the novice and intermediate boxers concerned and with the agreement of the Technical Delegate and/or senior R&J present.

Non-championships/local competitions

- 1.4.12. These types of competitions are not weight critical, and therefore the weigh-in will be held at least (1) hour before a boxer is due to box and the following weigh-in guidelines shall apply:
 - 1.4.12.1. If separate rooms and scales are unavailable male and female boxers are

- to be weighed-in at different times.
- 1.4.12.2. Weigh-ins are not to be conducted in the open, but in an enclosed room or similar.
 - 1.4.12.3. If a female weigh steward is unavailable to weigh the female boxers a male weigh steward may weigh the female boxers but only while in the presence of the boxer's coach and/or guardian/parent, and the boxer is to wear their competition clothing without boots.
 - 1.4.12.4. At no stage are male and female boxers to be lined up in stages of undress; boxers are only allowed to remove their clothing once in the weigh-in room.
 - 1.4.12.5. At no stage are male and female boxers to be in the same room during the weigh-in.
 - 1.4.12.6. Only the weigh steward(s) and the boxer(s) are to be in the weigh-in room/scales; no other persons are to enter unless invited.
- 1.4.13. 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 and sign as the officer in charge
- 1.4.14. No boxer will compete in more than one (1) bout a day unless it is an Australian Boxing Championship or National Selection Competition and unless sanctioned by the Technical Delegate. In this circumstance, those boxers concerned shall compete against each other before the same Technical Delegate and officiating R&Js unless the Technical Delegate determines otherwise.

5-Round competition

1.4.17. This rule cannot be used when it is a selection event (i.e. State Titles or Australian Championships).

- a) **Duration of Rounds:** Each match will consist of five rounds, with each round lasting two minutes.
- b) **Rest Period:** There will be a one-minute rest period between each round.
- c) **Scoring:** Scoring will follow the established guidelines, with judges using the official Boxing Australia Limited (BAL) 10-9 scoring system.
- d) **Safety Protocols:** All competitors must adhere to safety protocols, including mandatory medical examinations before and after the match.
- e) **Eligibility:** Elite and Youth categories only.
- f) **Rules:** All other rules will remain as per the official Boxing Australia Limited (BAL) Technical & Competition Rules, unless specified above.

1.5. Other Boxing Australia sanctioned competitions

- 1.5.1. Boxing Australia Board may approve, launch or promote new Boxing Competitions. Such new competitions should benefit the needs of the boxers and also not interfere with the development of existing competitions.
- 1.5.2. These events will be run under these rules unless specified otherwise.

1.6. Medal ceremony & Perpetual awards

- 1.6.1. To be eligible to win a medal at the Australian Championships, a boxer must have competed in at least one (1) championship bout in those championships. However, where a boxer who was the Australian gold medallist the previous year enters the same weight category and has no opponent, he or she will be considered the Australian Champion and will be awarded the gold medal.

- 1.6.2. A gold medal will be awarded to each winning boxer and a silver medal to the runner up in each contested weight division. No bronze medals will be awarded.
- 1.6.3. At all Australian Championships, four (4) perpetual awards will be presented as follows:

Sir Edgar Tanner Trophy

- 1.6.4. The 'Sir Edgar Tanner Trophy', first presented by the late Sir Edgar Tanner CBE, ED, in 1947, shall be awarded to the State/Territory Association whose representatives win the greatest number of Elite Championship titles at an Australian Elite Boxing Championships.
- 1.6.5. Should the number of the titles win by two (2) or more State/Territory Associations be equal, then the State/Territory with the greatest number of runners-up shall be the winner of the Sir Edgar Tanner Trophy.

Arthur Tunstall Trophy

- 1.6.6. The 'Arthur Tunstall Trophy', first presented by Mr Arthur Tunstall OBE, JP in 1963, shall be awarded, with a replica, at each Australian Elite Boxing Championships to the best Male/or Female Elite boxer of the Championships. The boxer shall be chosen by the BAL Selection Committee.

Jamie Nicholson Trophy

- 1.6.7. The 'Jamie Nicholson Trophy', first presented by Mr Allan Nicolson and Mrs Pat Nicolson in 1994, shall be awarded at the conclusion of each Australian Elite Championships to the boxer who, in the opinion of the BAL Board, is considered to have held the highest international ranking amongst Australian Elite Male/or Female Boxers in the period since the conclusion of the immediately proceeding Australian Elite Boxing Championships, and who:
 - a) Is, at the time of making of the award, a boxer registered as such by a BAL State/Territory Association;
 - b) Is, in the opinion of the BAL Board, of good character.

John Davies Trophy

- 1.6.8. The 'John Davies Trophy' shall be awarded at each Australian Boxing Championships to the R&J official who, in the opinion of the Technical Delegate of the tournament, is considered to be the best official of the Australian Boxing Championships.

2. Rule 2: The Boxers

2.1. Age categories

- 2.1.1. The age of a Boxer is determined by using their calendar year of birth. Refer to Appendix 1: Year of competition/Year of birth matrix.
- 2.1.2. Men and Women Boxers between the ages of 19 to 40 are categorised as Elite Boxers.
- 2.1.3. Men and Women Boxers between the ages of 17 to 18 are categorised as U19 Boxers.
- 2.1.4. Boys and Girls Boxers between the ages of 15 to 16 are categorised as U17 Boxers.
- 2.1.5. Boys and Girls Boxers between the ages of 13 to 14 years of age are categorised as U15 Boxers.
- 2.1.6. Boys and Girls Boxers between the ages of 11 or 12 years of age are categorised as U13 Boxers. This is subject to any legislative or government policy restrictions, shall be followed in the relevant State /or Territory Association.

2.1.7. Boys and Girls Boxers aged 10 years of age are categorised as U11 Boxers. This is subject to any legislative or government policy restrictions, shall be followed in the relevant State /or Territory Association.

2.1.8. Men and Women Boxers over the age of 40 are categorised as Masters Boxers.

Age restriction on matching boxers

2.1.9. Boxers (male or female) in U19, U17 or younger age category competition, subject to rule 2.1.10, shall not be permitted to compete against boxers who are 24 months or more older.

2.1.10. For U19, U17 and younger age category boxers, the State Association Secretary or his or her nominated representative, with the agreement of the senior R&J present, and with the consent of both boxers’ coaches, may issue an exemption permitting a boxer to compete against a boxer more than 24 months older if the bout is deemed a suitable match. Such exemption is to be in writing on the Boxing Australia Age Exemption Form (available under Competition Rules & Form on the Boxing Australia website).

2.1.11. Where a boxer competes against a boxer outside his or her age competition category the lower age division rules apply (i.e. head guards, counts, duration, weight category).

2.2. Weight categories

2.2.1. Elite Men’s and Women’s weight categories.

Elite Men’s weight categories

#	Over (Min limit)	Under (Max limit)	Category Name
1	47kg	50kg	Flyweight / M50kg
2	50kg	55kg	Bantamweight / M55kg
3	55kg	60kg	Lightweight / M60kg
4	60kg	65kg	Welterweight / M65kg
5	65kg	70kg	Light Middleweight / M70kg
6	70kg	75kg	Middleweight / M75kg
7	75kg	80kg	Light Heavyweight / M80kg
8	80kg	85kg	Cruiserweight / M85kg
9	85kg	90kg	Heavyweight / M90kg
10	90kg	-	Super Heavyweight / M90+kg

Elite Women’s weight categories

#	Over (Min limit)	Under (Max limit)	Category Name
1	45kg	48kg	Light Flyweight / W48kg
2	48kg	51kg	Flyweight / W51kg
3	51kg	54kg	Bantamweight / W54kg
4	54kg	57kg	Featherweight / W57kg
5	57kg	60kg	Lightweight / W60kg
6	60kg	65kg	Welterweight / W65kg
7	65kg	70kg	Light Middleweight / W70kg
8	70kg	75kg	Middleweight / W75kg
9	75kg	80kg	Light Heavyweight / W80kg
10	80kg	-	Heavyweight / W80+kg

2.2.2. U19 Men's & Women's weight categories

U19 Men's weight categories

#	Over (Min limit)	Under (Max limit)	Category Name
1	47kg	50kg	Flyweight / M50kg
2	50kg	55kg	Bantamweight / M55kg
3	55kg	60kg	Lightweight / M60kg
4	60kg	65kg	Welterweight / M65kg
5	65kg	70kg	Light Middleweight / M70kg
6	70kg	75kg	Middleweight / M75kg
7	75kg	80kg	Light Heavyweight / M80kg
8	80kg	85kg	Cruiserweight / M85kg
9	85kg	90kg	Heavyweight / M90kg
10	90kg	-	Super Heavyweight / M90+kg

U19 Women's weight categories

#	Over (Min limit)	Under (Max limit)	Category Name
1	45kg	48kg	Light Flyweight / W48kg
2	48kg	51kg	Flyweight / W51kg
3	51kg	54kg	Bantamweight / W54kg
4	54kg	57kg	Featherweight / W57kg
5	57kg	60kg	Lightweight / W60kg
6	60kg	65kg	Welterweight / W65kg
7	65kg	70kg	Light Middleweight / W70kg
8	70kg	75kg	Middleweight / W75kg
9	75kg	80kg	Light Heavyweight / W80kg
10	80kg	-	Heavyweight / W80+kg

2.2.3. U17 Boys' and Girls' weight categories

#	Over (Min limit)	Under (Max limit)	Category Name
1	44kg	46kg	Pinweight / M46kg / W46kg
2	46kg	48kg	Light Flyweight / M48kg / W48kg
3	48kg	50kg	Flyweight / M50kg / W50kg
4	50kg	52kg	Light Bantamweight / M52kg / W52kg
5	52kg	54kg	Bantamweight / M54kg / W54kg
6	54kg	57kg	Featherweight / M57kg / W57kg
7	57kg	60kg	Lightweight / M60kg / W60kg
8	60kg	63kg	Light Welterweight / M63kg / W63kg
9	63kg	66kg	Welterweight / M66kg / W66kg
10	66kg	70kg	Light Middleweight / M70kg / W70kg
11	70kg	75kg	Middleweight / M75kg / W75kg
12	75kg	80kg	Light Heavyweight / M80kg / W80kg
13	80kg	-	Heavyweight / M80+kg / W80+kg

2.2.4. U15, U13 and younger Boys' and Girls' weight categories

#	Over (Min limit)	Under (Max limit)	#	Over (Min limit)	Under (Max limit)
1	-	22kg	14	46kg	48kg
2	22kg	24kg	15	48kg	50kg
3	24kg	26kg	16	50kg	52kg
4	26kg	28kg	17	52kg	54kg
5	28kg	30kg	18	54kg	57kg
6	30kg	32kg	19	57kg	60kg
7	32kg	34kg	20	60kg	63kg
8	34kg	36kg	21	63kg	66kg
9	36kg	38kg	22	66kg	70kg
10	38kg	40kg	23	70kg	75kg
11	40kg	42kg	24	75kg	80kg
12	42kg	44kg	25	80+kg	-
13	44kg	46kg			

Weight restrictions on matching boxers

- 2.2.5. Bouts with boxers from different weight categories that are not selections or championships, should, where possible, be matched by the State/or Territory Association Secretary or his or her nominated representative according to the restrictions in this rules.
- 2.2.6. Boxers in U17 and younger age category competition, subject to rule 2.2.9, shall have no more than 2kg difference in weight up to and including 54kg, thereafter, no more than the equivalent weight category difference up to and including 80+kg.
- 2.2.7. Boxers in U19, Elite or Masters category competition, subject to rule 2.2.9, 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 90+kg.
- 2.2.8. The State/or Territory Association Secretary, or his or her nominated representative, with the agreement of the senior R&J present at a competition, and with the consent of both boxers' coaches, may issue an exemption permitting a boxer to compete against a boxer heavier than the stipulated weight differences in this regulation if the bout is deemed a suitable match. This exemption must be completed in writing using the Boxing Australia Limited Weight Exemption Form (available under Competition Rules & Form on the Boxing Australia website) stating the reasons the bout is deemed suitable. This written exemption is to be retained and filed by the State/or Territory Association Secretary.

Number of bout eligibility criteria

- 2.2.9. The eligibility criteria to compete in the Australian Boxing Championships or any National Selection Competitions is as follows:
- 2.2.9.1. Male and female elite and male U19 boxers' must have competed in a minimum of ten (10) bouts.
- 2.2.9.2. Female U19 boxers' must have competed in a minimum of seven (7) bouts.
- 2.2.9.3. U17 and U15 boxers' must have competed in a minimum of five (5) bouts.
- 2.2.9.4. All other boxers must have competed in a minimum of three (3) bouts.
- 2.2.10. Exhibition bouts and competition sparring are not considered when determining the number of bouts in which a boxer has competed.

Boxer categories

2.2.11. The following sub-categories will determine the number of bouts that define a boxer:

- 2.2.11.1. Novice boxer – 0 to 5 bouts
- 2.2.11.2. Intermediate boxer – 6 to 9 bouts
- 2.2.11.3. Elite boxer – 10+ bouts

2.3. Medical Eligibility

2.3.1. Refer to the Boxing Australia Medical Rules.

3. Rule 3: The Seconds

3.1. Duties and permissions

3.1.1. As per the World Boxing Rules 3.1.

3.2. Prohibited actions

3.2.1. As per the World Boxing Rules 3.2.

3.3. Attire

3.3.1. At Boxing Australia Competitions, seconds should be identified by wearing their respective State/or Territory uniform.

3.3.2. Remainder attire is as per the World Boxing Rules 3.3.2 and 3.3.3.

4. Rule 4: The Team Manager

4.1. Role and duties

4.1.1. Each Team will have a Team Manager designated by the respective State/or Territory to serve as the main point of contact for that Team for the duration of the Event.

4.1.2. Team Managers must attend Boxing Entries Check, Technical Meeting and the Officials Draw.

4.1.3. Team Managers are responsible for the behaviour of their Teams during the Event and are obliged to stay with the Team.

4.1.4. Team Managers will notify Boxing Australia of any changes to the boxer's participation in bouts during the Event.

4.1.5. A Team Manager or their respective State/or Territory Association may appoint a replacement to act as the new Team Manager for the remainder of the Event. However, it must be clearly communicated and confirmed by the Competition Manager and Boxing Australia.

5. Rule 5: Pre-Competition Activities

Entries

5.1. Each State/Territory Association must lodge a list of the names of all proposed competing boxers from the state/territory concerned (together with such other information concerning such boxers as may be required from time to time by the Board of BAL) with the Competition Manager no less than 28 days prior to the commencement of the Australian Championships or Selection Competition.

- 5.2. Late entry will be within 14 days prior to the commencement of the Australian Championships or Selection Competition, there after no further entries will be accepted. Late entry fee will be charged at \$200 per each late entrant.
- 5.3. For Australian Boxing Championships and Selection Competitions, a State/Territory Association is entitled to submit a max of two (2) boxer entries for each male and female Elite, U19 and U17 weight categories but in U15 and U13 weight categories a State/Territory Association is only permitted to enter max of one (1) boxer entry per weight category.
- 5.4. For each weight category in the Australian Championships and/or Selection Competition, the Board of Boxing Australia may enter boxers in its sole and absolute discretion to compete under BAL Entrant. However, all management of logistical and administration for the boxer will be entered with the State/Territory Association.

Duration and number of rounds

AUS Age Div	Male	Female	Titles/Selection
<15 yr Novice*	3x1 or 3x1.5	3x1 or 3x1.5	No
Under 13 and Under 15	3x 1.5	3x 1.5	Yes
U17 Novice*	3x1.5 or 3x2	3x1.5 or 3x2	No
U17	3x2	3x2	Yes
U19 Novice*	3x2	3x2	No
U19	3x3	3x3	Yes
U19 & Elite Novice*	3x2	3x2	No
Elite	3x3	3x3	Yes
Masters	3x2	3x2	No

5.5. Weigh-ins

- 5.5.1. The weigh-in for bouts which are Australian Championships and/or Selection Competition will be held at least three (3) hours before the start of the first bout of competition on the day of the bout. However, the Technical Delegate may alter this time at his or her sole discretion.

5.6. Competition session times

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

5.7. Protests

- 5.7.1. In all competition the decision of the referee and judges is final and no protest relating to such decisions is permitted. However, where the Technical Delegate believes that the referee has clearly acted outside of these or the World Boxing Rules

he or she may review the bout, at any time, using any resources he or she believes will assist them. After such a review, the original decision may be confirmed or overturned.

6. Rule 6: The Referee and Judges (R&Js)

- 6.1. According to World Boxing Rules, Rule 6 for Australian Competitions, officials must either hold a Three Star rating to officiate at a national competition or be a World Boxing certified referee and judge (R&J).
- 6.2. For State/Territory Association competition a person must have a Referee/Judge Record Book, and hold one or more of the following levels of BAL Referee and/or Judge Accreditation:
 - 6.2.1. One Star (Trainee);
 - 6.2.2. Two Star (State/Territory);
 - 6.2.3. Three Star (National); or
 - 6.2.4. World Boxing Certified
- 6.3. With either computer or manual scoring, the Technical Delegate will appoint a referee and either three (3) or five (5) judges.
- 6.4. All other duties and responsibilities is as per the World Boxing Rule under rule 6.

7. Rule 7: Judging a Bout

- 7.1. As per the World Boxing Rules under rule 7.

Member Association competitions using manual scoring

When we get to appendix 15 of BAL rules to include here.

Appendix 17 is the score card (need updated score card)

8. Rule 8: Refereeing a Bout

- 8.1. As per the World Boxing Rules under rule 8.

9. Rule 9: Bout Decisions

- 9.1. As per the World Boxing Rules under rule 9.

10. Rule 10: The Technical Officials (TOs)

- 10.1. In all State/Territory Association competitions and R&J accredited at a minimum of an Australian two-star referee or three-start judge, or who has passed the BAL State/Territory Technical Delegate Course, will be appointed as the Technical Delegate.
- 10.2. The roles is as per the World Boxing Rules under rule 10.3.

11. Rule 11: R&J Draw Protocol

- 11.1. As per World Boxing Rules under rule 11.

12. Rule 12: Boxing Equipment

- 12.1. As per World Boxing Rules under rule 13.
- 12.2. In addition to the World Boxing Rules, for Boxing Australia events, no athletes shall wear any national team competition uniform.

13. Rule 13: Slogans, Statements, Images and Advertising

- 13.1. As per World Boxing Rules under rule 14.

14. Rules 14: Exhibitions

- 14.1. Boxing contests conducted by BAL and its State/Territory Associations should be contested by boxers of similar weight, age, and experience. Where two (2) boxers cannot be so matched, they may be able to box one another in an exhibition bout provided their coaches, the State/Territory Association Secretary or their nominated representative and the Technical Delegate and/or senior R&J present all agree. In these circumstances, the State/Territory Association Secretary or their nominated representative must issue an exemption permitting a boxer to compete against a boxer in exhibition competitions. Exhibition bouts are less intense than competition bouts; punches are to be lighter, and no results will be provided. Exhibition bouts provide an opportunity for boxers to demonstrate their abilities and gain useful experience.
- 14.2. No judges shall officiate in exhibition bouts and the bout shall not be scored.
- 14.3. Boxers may use heavier gloves in exhibition bouts than specified in rule 12, however, the gloves used by the boxers must be identical except for colour; the boxers may use full-face or more protective head guards.
- 14.4. Boxers in exhibition bouts shall 'not touch gloves' except during the approved times.
- 14.5. The referee shall stop an exhibition bout if either boxer takes advantage of his or her opponent or if a count is applied.

15. Rule 15: Masters Boxing

- 15.1. Masters Boxing will be open to boxers in normal competition who have attained the age of 41 years or more. For championship or similar competitions, a Master boxer's age will be determined using his or her year of birth. There is to be no more than a ten (10) year age difference between the matched competitors e.g. 41 to 51 years. Masters' boxers may compete against elite boxers provided there is no more than a ten (10) year age gap e.g. 32–42 years, provided the State/Territory Association Secretary or their representative, and the Technical Delegate and/or senior R&J present, the boxers and the boxers' coaches agree.
- 15.2. Masters Boxing will be conducted under these regulations and Elite Boxing weight limits will apply. In addition, the following will apply to all Masters Boxing in Australia:
- 15.2.1. There will be three (3) rounds for males and females;
- 15.2.2. The rounds will have a duration of not more than two (2) minutes;
- 15.2.3. A bout will be stopped if an individual boxer receives
- 15.2.3.1. three (3) eight counts in one (1) round, or

- 15.2.3.2. four (4) eight counts in the bout
- 15.1.3. Gloves are to be no smaller than 12 oz. However, Member Associations or in the case of National Competition, the Board of BAL, have an absolute discretion to increase the size of the gloves to be used should they wish to do so;
 - 15.1.3.1. Head guards are mandatory for all Masters Boxing bouts.
- 15.2. Any decisions regarding the time, date and location of a National Masters Championship will be that of the Board of BAL.
- 15.3. Boxers who have previously competed as professionals will be allowed to compete in Masters Boxing.

16. Rule 16: Professional Boxing Australia Tournaments

- 16.1. BAL and its State/Territory Associations, as a condition of membership of BAL as an affiliate of World Boxing are not permitted to be associated with non-World Boxing professional boxing competitions. State/Territory Associations are not permitted to conduct boxing bouts in conjunction with non-World Boxing professional boxing bouts.
- 16.2. If bouts conducted by State/Territory Associations are to be conducted in the same venue on the same day as non-World Boxing professional bouts the following action must be taken:
 - 16.2.3. No BAL accredited R&J nor any other person officiating at the State/Territory Association bouts must officiate in the non-World Boxing professional bouts.
 - 16.2.4. The officiating BAL officials must leave the venue's FOP before the non-World Boxing professional bouts are conducted.
 - 16.2.5. Any advertising and any other 'promotion' (including publicity/news releases etc.) of the State/Territory Association bouts must not be associated with any promotion of the non- World Boxing professional bouts.
 - 16.2.6. There should be a clear and distinct interval of time, preferably at least an hour, between the conducting of the State/Territory Association bouts and the non- World Boxing professional bouts.
 - 16.2.7. If it is a state/territory legal requirement for a permit to be issued to a 'promoter' or such person for boxing bouts/boxing tournaments the person who is the 'promoter' for the State/Territory Association conducted bouts/tournament is to be a different person to the 'promoter' of the non-World Boxing professional boxing bouts/tournament.
 - 16.2.8. If a fee is to be charged for admission by the public to attend the State/Territory Association conducted bouts such fee must be distinctly separate to any fee charged for admission by the public to attend the non-World Boxing professional boxing bouts.

Appendix 1: Year of competition / Year of birth matrix

			Year of competition									
			2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
			Boxer's year of birth									
AGE	10	Under 11	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	11	Under 13	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
	12		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
	13	Under 15	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
	14		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	15	Under 17	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	16		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
	17	Under 19	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
	18		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	19	ELITE	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	20		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	21		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
	22		2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
	23		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	24		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	25		1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
	26		1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	27		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
	28		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
	29		1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
	30		1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
	31		1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
	32		1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	33		1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
	34		1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
	35		1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
	36		1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	37		1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
	38		1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
	39	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	
40	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993		

Appendix 2: Judge bout score card - 3 rounds

Judge Bout Card

Date:	Referee:	Judge number:
Location:	Bout no:	Judge name:

RED		BLUE	
Boxer:	Club/State:	Boxer:	Club/State:
Comments	Points	Rounds	Points
		1	
		2	
		3	
Total		Total	

RED	Circle WINNER	BLUE
	Adjusted Total	
RED	Adjusted WINNER	BLUE

Supervisor Name: _____

Supervisor signature: _____

Judge Bout Card

Date:	Referee:	Judge number:
Location:	Bout no:	Judge name:

RED		BLUE	
Boxer:	Club/State:	Boxer:	Club/State:
Comments	Points	Rounds	Points
		1	
		2	
		3	
Total		Total	

RED	Circle WINNER	BLUE
	Adjusted Total	
RED	Adjusted WINNER	BLUE

Supervisor Name: _____

Supervisor signature: _____

Appendix 2: Judge bout score card - 5 rounds

Judge Bout Card

Date:	Referee:	Judge number:
Location:	Bout no.:	Judge name:

RED		BLUE	
Boxer:	Club/State:	Boxer:	Club/State:
Comments	Points	Rounds	Points
	1		
	2		
	3		
	4		
	5		
Total		Total	

RED	Circle WINNER	BLUE
	Adjusted Total	

RED	Adjusted WINNER	BLUE
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Supervisor Name: _____

Supervisor signature: _____

Judge Bout Card

Date:	Referee:	Judge number:
Location:	Bout no.:	Judge name:

RED		BLUE	
Boxer:	Club/State:	Boxer:	Club/State:
Comments	Points	Rounds	Points
	1		
	2		
	3		
	4		
	5		
Total		Total	

RED	Circle WINNER	BLUE
	Adjusted Total	

RED	Adjusted WINNER	BLUE
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Supervisor Name: _____

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