

WORLD PROFESSIONAL BOXING FEDERATION UNITED STATES BOXING COUNCIL



Criteria for the Ratings of Professional Boxers

Ratings Criteria. The WPBF adopts the following ratings criteria:

1. Ratings must be based solely on the following basic factors. The records of any top rated boxer must be verified.
 - I. Record (win/loss/draw/ko);
 - II. Activity;
 - III. Difference of Ratings;
 - IV. Results of Competition;
 - V. Importance of Competition;
 - VI. Strength of Opponent;
2. No boxer can be rated in more than one division. If a rated boxer in a weight division requests to be considered another weight division, the exact adjustment varies depending on divisions and direction moved, but if a boxer moving up a weight division will lose points approximately 10%, and boxer will gain points approximately 10% upon moving down a weight division.
3. For any boxer to be considered for the top ratings, he must have competed in at least two (2) bouts scheduled for ten (10) rounds and/or four (4) bouts scheduled for (8) rounds (Aside from the female's boxers). Exceptions may be made, upon the majority vote of the ratings committee, for boxers who have had outstanding amateur careers, such as Olympic Medalist, etc.

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4. For a boxer to be maintain in the top 35 rating and eligible to compete for a WPBF world title, he must:
 - A). Compete at least once during a twelve (12) month period from the time a boxer gets the top 35 rating;
 - B). Must have competed against an opponent who rated within the top 50 rating within an eighteen (18) month period from the time the boxer gets the top 35 rating. Exceptions can be made only for injuries, verified in writing by a licensed physician (M.D. or D.O.).
 5. If a rated boxer loses to an un-rated boxer then the rated boxer shall be automatic lowered in the top ratings. The un-rated boxer may be considered for a position in the top ratings.
 6. If two boxers are rated and compete against each other, and the lower rated boxer wins:
 - A). The lower rated boxer shall be automatic elevated in the top ratings;
 - B). The higher rated boxer shall be automatic lowered in the top ratings.
 7. No boxer imprisoned as a result of a conviction for a crime shall be rated until released.
 8. No boxer can be rated under disciplinary suspension and medical suspension from any boxing commission. At such time as the boxer is no longer under suspension, he may be considered for the top ratings after his first bout.
 9. Boxers that step aside when in a mandatory position shall not be considered the mandatory challenger and shall be lowered in the top ratings.
 10. If a rated boxer who is inactive exceed twelve (12) month (except caused by certified and legitimate medical or legal reasons), the boxer's rankings points shall be reduced by 10% as his inactivity. Thereafter, the boxer shall be removed from the top ratings, if the boxer is still inactive for any reason exceed eighteen (18) month period, except in special circumstances with the approval of the WPBF President.
 11. Boxing activity and record reports sent by boxers' representatives shall be considered, but they must be certified by their corresponding boxing commissions.