

World Professional Boxing Federation



United States Boxing Council



WPBF



USBC

RULES GOVERNING WPBF CHAMPIONSHIP BOUTS

1. **Applicable Rules.** All WPBF sanctioned championship bouts, which will be governed by the WPBF/USBC Rules and Regulations and the Championship Rules. The WPBF and the local Commission agree that in the event of any unresolved conflict between WPBF Rules and Local Rules the Unified Rules of Boxing propounded by the A.B.C. shall prevail.
2. **Violations.** Any violation of the WPBF/USBC Rules and Regulations and the Championship Rules would ordinarily be cause for disqualification and/or withdrawal or suspension or other disciplinary action. A copy of the WPBF/USBC Championship Rules will be provided by the WPBF Supervisor at Rules Meeting, the Boxers or their authorized representatives will sign these rules, no party can claim lack of knowledge of the WPBF/USBC Rules and Regulations and the Championship Rules, as they are posted on the WPBF/USBC's official website WWW.WPBF-USBC.COM

Item – 1

The following are the duly adopted and agreed to Rules & Regulations for the _____
 Championship fight on weight _____ pounds (____ Kg), between the Champion _____
 of _____, and the Challenger _____ of _____
 on _____.

The Championship fight will be governed by the rules and regulations of the WPBF/USBC.

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The bout will be supervised by the local Commissioner _____ and the WPBF Supervisor _____ who must be given seats at the ring apron.

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Both boxers shall be present during the initial weigh-in ceremony at _____ hrs of _____ (day of) _____ (month of) _____ (year) at _____ (place) which shall take place no less than twenty (20) nor more than twenty four (24) hours from the commencement of the boxing card.

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Both boxers shall be examined by the Local Boxing Commission doctor immediately after the weigh-in; the referee must take a medical examination as well prior to the fight. The Champion will wear trunks of _____ color, and the Challenger _____ will wear trunks of _____ color. The corner of _____ color will be for the Champion, and the corner of _____ color will be for the Challenger.

I. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1.1** Each WPBF championship contest shall be scheduled for no less than ten (10) nor more than more than twelve (12) rounds, each round three (3) minute in duration, with a one (1) minute rest period between rounds.
- 1.2** The referee is the sole arbiter of a bout and is the only individual authorized to stop a contest.
- 1.3** All bouts shall be evaluated and scored by three (3) judges.
- 1.4** The 10 Point Must System shall be the standard system of scoring a bout.
- 1.5** The Mandatory Eight (8) Count after knockdowns will be standard procedure in all bouts.
- 1.6** All boxers are required to wear a mouthpiece during bout. The round cannot begin without the mouthpiece.
- 1.7** There is NO Standing Eight (8) Count.
- 1.8** There is NO Three (3) Knockdown Rule.
- 1.9** A boxer who has been knocked down cannot be saved by the bell in any round.
- 1.10** The scorecards will be picked up after each round, the official scorekeeper shall tally the score by rounds on a score sheet.
- 1.11** A Champion must defend his title within specified time periods provided in Article 6 of the Rules and Regulations of the WPBF/USBC.

II. WEIGHT & WEIGH-IN CEREMONY

- 2.1 Timing of Initial Weigh-In.** The Championship contest shall be weigh-in between 16:00 and 20:00 on the day prior to the scheduled match at a place determined by the local Commission and in the presence of a Commission representative and the WPBF supervisor. The scales to be used at the official weigh-in must be available to both boxers at least two (2) hours prior to the official weigh-in.
- 2.2 Weight Determines the Championship.** If either of boxers (Champion or Challenger) fails to make the prescribed weight at the prearranged time for the official weigh-in, either or both of them shall have two (2) additional hours to make the prescribed weight.
- 2.3 Champion's Failure to Make Weight.** If the Champion fails to make the prescribed weight, after the two (2) additional hours, the title shall be declared vacant, but the fight may still continue as a Championship bout. If the Challenger having made the prescribed weight and wins the bout, the Challenger shall be declared the winner of the vacant title, but if the Overweight Champion wins the bout, the title shall remain vacant.
- 2.4 Challenger's Failure to Make Weight.** If the Champion makes the prescribed weight and the Challenger fail to do so, the Champion shall retain the title, whether wins or loses the bout.
- 2.5 Failure to Make Weight for Vacant Title Bout.** If a boxer fail to make the prescribed weight in a fight for a vacant title, the bout may continue take place as a vacant title. If a boxer who makes the weight defeats another boxer who did not make the weight, he shall be declared the winner of the vacant title.
- 2.6 Both Boxers Failure to Make Weight.** In the event both boxers fail to make the prescribed weight in a fight for a vacant title, the sanction of the bout will be withdrawn.
- 2.7 Weigh-ins For Postponement.** If a sanctioned bout is postponed more than 48 hours, a new weigh-in shall be necessary.

III. PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

- 3.1** In order to encourage the preservation and protection of the health and welfare of boxers who compete in bouts that are sanctioned for the WPBF title, both the Champion and the Challenger must submit all required medical reports and meet all medical standards as required by the local Commission having jurisdiction over the bout. Failure to do so will result in the withdrawal of the WPBF sanction.
- 3.2** Prior to the contest, each boxer must also receive a physical examination and approval by the physician appointed by the Local Commission. The examination shall meet the standards as

dictated by the local Commission. At least two physicians shall be present at ringside and be seated at close proximity to each boxer's corner.

- 3.3** The promoter and/or the local Commission acknowledge that if the bout takes place in the U.S., they have complied with and met the safety standard requirements as promulgated by the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996 and herein indemnify the WPBF/USBC against any failure to do so.

IV. KNOCKDOWN AND KNOCKOUT

- 4.1** A boxer shall be considered to be "down" when any part of his body, other than his feet, are on the canvas, or if he is hanging helplessly over the ropes as a result of a legal blow as ruled by the referee, who is the only person authorized to determine this, or he is still rising from the down position and not standing upright.
- 4.2** The Mandatory Eight (8) Count after knockdowns will be standard procedure in all WPBF sanctioned bout. There is NO Standing Eight (8) Count, Three (3) knockdowns in any one round do not automatically terminate the fight. If in the referee's judgment, which must be keen and decisive, the knockdowns have been indecisive and clearly have no injurious effect upon the boxer, the contest may continue but with good sense and judgment and the boxer's welfare always paramount.
- 4.3** When a boxer is knocked down, the referee shall audibly announce the count as he motions with his right arm downward indicating the end of each second of the count. If the boxer taking the count is still down when the referee calls the count of ten (10) the referee shall wave both arms indicate that the boxer has been knocked out.
- 4.4** When a boxer is knocked down, the referee shall order the opponent to the farthest neutral corner of the ring and pick up the count from the timekeeper or the official counting for knockdowns. Should the opponent fail to stay in the corner as directed by the referee, the referee shall stop the count and redirect the boxer to go back to the corner and resume the count at the point that it was interrupted. In the event of any knockdown, the timekeepers count will cease when picked up by the referee whose count shall prevail and be relied on by the boxers.
- 4.5** A boxer who has fallen through the ropes and onto the floor as a result of a legal blow during the contest may not be assisted by anyone, and the referee shall start the count, which in this special case will be twenty (20) seconds. If the boxer assisted by anyone, the boxer may lose points or be disqualified with such a decision being within the sole discretion of the referee. If the boxer fails to re-enter the ring before the count of twenty (20) seconds, the referee shall wave both arms to indicate that the boxer has been knocked out.
- 4.6** A boxer who has been knocked down cannot be saved by the bell in any round. If a boxer is down

and the round has terminated, the referee shall continue the count until the boxer rises or is counted out. If a boxer fails to rise before the count of ten (10), he shall be declared the loser by knockout in the round just concluded.

V. ILLEGAL BLOWS AND FOULS

- 5.1** It is expressly understood that a WPBF Championship contest is not to be terminated by the effects of a low blow. The protection that must be used by both boxers is sufficient protection to withstand any so-called low blow, which might incapacitate either one of the contestants.
- 5.2** If one of the boxers, after the referee instructs him to continue, indicates an unwillingness to continue because of a claim of a low blow, the contest shall be terminated and the contest shall be awarded to his opponent.
- 5.3** In case of any type of accidental foul, the referee shall determine if the fouled boxer can immediately continue or not. If the referee determines that his chances have been jeopardized as a result of the foul, the referee may order an interval of not more than five (5) minutes rest. The bout shall continue thereafter, if caused by a low blow. For any other kind of accidental foul, if the referee determines that the injured boxer is unable to continue after the five (5) minute rest period, the rules governing Accidental Fouls shall apply.
- 5.4** Any boxers who deliberately fouls his opponent during a contest shall be penalized with a deduction of points or disqualification, depending on the severity or harmlessness of the foul and its effect on the opponent. If an intentional foul causes an injury and the bout is allowed to continue, the referee will notify the authorities and deduct two points from the boxer who caused the foul.

VI. INJURIES (CUTS) SUSTAINED BY FOULS

- 6.1 Fair Blows.** When an injury is produced by a fair blow, and because of the severity of the injury the contest cannot continue, the injured boxer shall be declared the loser by Technical Knockout (TKO).
- 6.2 Self-Sustained.** If a boxer injured himself, such as a broken bone or sprain, or is unable to continue for any other self sustained physical reason, he shall lose by Technical Knockout (TKO).
- 6.3 Intentional Fouls:**
- a) If an intentional foul causes an injury, and the injury is severe enough to terminate the bout immediately, the boxer causing the injury shall lose by Disqualification (DQ).

- b) If an intentional foul causes an injury, and the bout is allowed to continue, the referee shall notify the authorities and deduct two (2) points from the boxer who caused the foul. Point deductions for intentional fouls will be mandatory.
- c) If an intentional foul causes an injury and the injury results in the bout being stopped in a later round, the injured boxer will win by **TECHNICAL DECISION** if he is ahead on the scorecards; and the bout will result in a **TECHNICAL DRAW** if the injured boxer is behind or even on the scorecards.
- d) If a boxer injures himself trying to foul his opponent, the referee will not take any action in his favor, the injury will be considered as produced by a fair blow from his opponent.
- e) If the referee feels that a boxer has conducted himself in an unsportsman-like manner, the referee may stop the bout and disqualify the boxer.

6.4 Accidental Fouls:

- a) If an accidental foul causes an injury severe enough for the referee to stop the bout immediately, the bout will result in a **NO DECISION** if stopped before four (4) completed rounds. Four (4) rounds are complete when the bell rings signifying the end of the fourth round.
- b) If an accidental foul causes an injury severe for the referee to stop the bout immediately after four (4) rounds have occurred, the bout will result in a **TECHNICAL DECISION** awarded to the boxer who is ahead on the scorecards at the time the bout is stopped.
- c) Partial or incomplete rounds will be scored. If no action has occurred, the round should be scored as an even round. This is at the discretion of the judges.
- d) A boxer who is hit with an accidental low blow must continue after a reasonable amount of time but no more than five (5) minutes, or he will lose the fight.

VII. REFEREE

- 7.1** The referee shall be the chief official in every Championship contest and he shall maintain supervision and control over the contest while it is in progress.
- 7.2** Before any Championship contest shall begin, the referee shall ascertain the name of the Chief Second of each boxer and shall hold said Chief Second responsible for the conduct of his respective corner. Shaking hands by the boxers is recommended immediately following the referee's instructions.
- 7.3** The referee is empowered to enforce the Rules and Regulations of the local Commission and the

Rules and Regulations of the WPBF/USBC pertaining to the conduct and behavior of contestants.

- 7.4 The referee shall be the only person authorized to determine if injuries were the result of legal blows, accidental fouls or intentional fouls.
- 7.5 The referee may interrupt the bout to consult the ringside physician to determine if the injured boxer can continue or not. The referee is the only person permitted to signal the end of a bout.
- 7.6 The referee shall have the power to stop a bout and render a decision at any stage if he considers it to be one-sided or if either boxer in the referee opinion is in such condition that to continue might subject them to serious injury.

VIII. RINGSIDE PHYSICIANS

- 8.1 There shall be at least two (2) ringside physicians at ringside at all times, the ringside physicians shall be seated as close as possible to the corners where the boxers sit between rounds. The ringside physician may enter the ring to examine a boxer's injury when asked by the Referee to do so and may advise his opinion on the injury to the Referee.

IX. SECONDS

- 9.1 Each Boxer participating in the WPBF sanctioned championship contest shall be allowed not more than four (4) seconds, one inside the ring, two on the ring apron, and one at ground level. One of seconds shall be designated as Chief Second shall be responsible for the conduct of the corner during the fight. No second may enter the ring to assist or move a boxer who has been knocked-down or injured, unless instructed to do so by ringside physicians, or the bell has rung or the bout has been terminated by the referee. A boxer may lose points or be disqualified for the conduct of his chief second or corner.

X. RING

- 10.1 The local Commission shall verify before the contest that rings used in WPBF Championship contests shall be no less than eighteen (18) feet (5,486m) nor more than twenty-four (24) feet (7,315m) by side within the ropes. Four (4) ropes are mandatory for WPBF championship contests.

XI. GLOVES

- 11.1 The weight of gloves to be used in WPBF Championship contests shall be as follows:
- a) Super Welterweights, up to and including Heavyweights, shall use ten (10) ounce gloves.
 - b) Minimumweights, up to and including Welterweights, shall use eight (8) ounce gloves.

XII. BANDAGES

- 12.1** In all weight division the bandages shall be restricted to no more than twelve (12) yards of soft gauze, no more than two (2) inches wide. The gauze shall be held in place by no more than eight (8) feet of adhesive tape, no more than one and one (1) inch wide for each hand. The adhesive tape shall not cover any part of the knuckles when the hand is clenched to make a fist. The use of water or any other liquid or material on the tape is strictly prohibited. The Bandages shall be applied in the dressing room in the presence of an inspector and if requested, an opponent's representative. The each boxer's bandages shall be signed by the inspector of local commission.

XIII. PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- 13.1** The use of a mouthpiece and groin protectors is compulsory for all boxers participating in the WPBF sanctioned championship contest. All boxers must be prepared two (2) mouthpieces at the start of the bout, the round cannot begin without the mouthpiece. When a boxer loses his mouthpiece during a round, the Referee will call time and have another clean mouthpiece replaced at the first opportune moment, without interfering with the immediate action. Points may be deducted by the referee if the Referee feels the mouthpiece is being purposely spit out.

XIV. DRUGS AND STIMULANTS

- 14.1** The administration or use of drugs, injections or stimulants, either before or during a match, to any boxer or by any boxer, is prohibited. This includes smelling salts, ammonia capsules or similar irritants.
- 14.2** The local Commission shall order anti-doping examinations immediately before or after the contest. The urine sample shall be supplied in the presence of a member of the local Commission, the Commission physician or his appointee and representative of the boxer.

The specimen shall be collected in a sterile container and shall be divided in two (2) equal parts also in sterile containers. The specimen shall be labeled with the boxer's name, date, time and place. The specimen shall be sealed in the presence of the above witnesses and signed by them. The second specimen shall be used in case of doubt, spilling or argument.

If it becomes necessary to examine the second specimen, the boxer in question or his representative, may observe, in detail, the opening and analysis of the specimen. The boxer or his representative may be accompanied by a qualified adviser selected by them.

The boxer shall indicate at the time he gives the specimen if he's under medication. If the boxer

is under medication, he shall provide evidence that he is using it for therapeutic purposes by means of medical certification and such medication must not be prohibited by the local Commission.

Any drugs prohibited by the local Commission, WADA, or on the VADA prohibited substance list shall be considered a doping violation by the WPBF, whether considered performance enhancing or not and shall subject the violator to loss of title and/or fines at the WPBF's sole and absolute discretion.

- 14.3** Any substance other than plain water or approved electrolyte drinks given to a contestant, during the course of the bout, is absolutely prohibited. For the purposes of this paragraph, approved electrolyte drinks shall mean such common sports drinks such as: Gatorade, Powerade, Accelerade, Cytomax, and G Push, or any other sports drink not expressly prohibited by the International Olympic Committee. A discretionary amount of lubricant may be used around the eyes, however, the use of lubricants, grease or any other foreign substance on the arms, legs or body is prohibited.
- 14.4** A discretionary use of coagulants approved by the ringside physician, such as, adrenalin (1/1000), may be allowed between rounds to stop bleeding of minor cuts or lacerations sustained by a contestant during the course of the fight.
- 14.5** The use of "iron type" coagulants, such as, Monsel's solution, is absolutely prohibited. The administration of any "iron type" coagulants by or to any contestant is considered as a violation and shall be grounds for disqualification.

XV. MISCELLANEOUS

- 15.1** The WPBF Champion will wear the Championship belt when coming into the ring, which will be given to the referee by the champion and passed to the WPBF Supervisor at ringside. The Champion shall also wear an WPBF Champion patch on the front of his boxing trunks. At the end of the contest, before the result is announced, the WPBF Supervisor and the Chairman of the local Commission, or his representative, shall be invited into the ring to immediately proceed with the Championship belt ceremony.
- 15.2** The WPBF/USBC does not arrange, promote, organize or produce championship contests. It merely promulgates rules governing the contests, licences the use of its name and awards the Championship Belt to the winner.
- 15.3** The scheduling of bouts, safety standards, supplying of safety equipment, ambulances, evacuation and emergency procedures, the provision of doctors or any of the attendant and peripheral matters necessary to supervise and administer any fight for which it has sanctioned the use of it's name are always arranged by the promoters under the supervision, control and in

accordance with the rules of the local Commission. It is the obligation of the promoters and or the local Commission to meet all governmental safety standards and to pay for the above services provided at the contest including, but not limited to payment to the referee, judges, inspectors, doctors and ambulance service and all peripheral and attendant matters.

15.4 The expression by any party of a lack of knowledge of the WPBF/USBC Rules and Regulations or the Championship Rules will not be a cause for any exception or objections to the aforementioned rules which have been provided to you and are also available on the WPBF/USBC website www.wpbf-usbc.com.

XVI. RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

The parties undersigned hereby agree to participate in the contest and hereby release, discharge and indemnify and keep indemnified the WPBF/USBC, its officers, agents, and employees, from all claims, actions, demands, judgements and executions which the undersigned, its heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns may have, or claim to have, against the WPBF/USBC, its officers, agents, and employees from all personal injuries, known or unknown, and injuries to property, real or personal, caused either directly or indirectly, or arising out of the above sporting activities.

We the undersigned explicitly and unequivocally agree that we have read and understood the WPBF/USBC Rules & Regulations contained herein and shall adhere to these Rules & Regulations. We understand fully the inherent risks involved with the above sporting activity and fully waive all our rights and claims towards the WPBF/USBC, cause of actions and assume all responsibilities and risks.

We hereby sign these Rules & Regulations freely and voluntarily with complete understanding and knowledge of its significance.

Champion or Representative

Challenger or Representative

Local Boxing Commission

Promoter

WPBF Supervisor

Referee

Place and date: _____

WORLD PROFESSIONAL BOXING FEDERATION
UNITED STATES BOXING COUNCIL



FIGHT SUPERVISOR REPORT

FACT SHEET

FIGHT:	VS.	
DIVISION:	TITLE:	
VENUE/CITY:	DATE:	
PROMOTER:	COMMISSION:	
SUPERVISOR:	REFEREE:	
JUDGE-1:	JUDGE-2:	JUDGE-3:

BOXER DETAILS

CHAMPION:	CHALLENGER:
RECORD:	RECORD:
MANAGER:	MANAGER:
TRAINER:	TRAINER:
MEDICAL EXAM:	MEDICAL EXAM:

CONTACT INFORMATION

PROMOTER:	CONTACT:
E-mail:	PHONE:
COMMISSION:	CONTACT:
E-mail:	PHONE:

SUPERVISOR'S CHECK LIST

CHAMPION:

LIFE INSURANCE FILLED
 LOGO ON TRUNK
 COLOR OF TRUNK
 TWO MOUTHPIECES
 OFFICIAL WEIGHT
 COMMISSION LICENSE
 SIZE OF GLOVES
 SIGNED AGREEMENT WITH WPBF
 CHAMPIONSHIP BELT
 USE OF ELECTROLITES
 MEDICAL SUSPENSION
 CHIEF SECOND

PROMOTER

WEIGH-IN CEREMONY
 COLLECT FEES
 COLLECT TICKETS
 INFO FOR RING ANNOUNCER
 PAYMENT OFFICIALS
 REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSES
 SIGNED BOUT AGREEMENTS
 GLOVE BRAND / COLOR AGREED
 TV MONITOR

CHALLENGER:

LIFE INSURANCE FILLED
 LOGO ON TRUNK
 COLOR OF TRUNK
 TWO MOUTHPIECES
 OFFICIAL WEIGHT
 COMMISSION LICENSE
 SIZE OF GLOVES
 SIGNED AGREEMENT WITH WPBF
 CHAMPIONSHIP BELT
 USE OF ELECTROLITES
 MEDICAL SUSPENSION
 CHIEF SECOND

COMMISSION

RULES MEETING
 CREDENTIALS COLLECTION
 MEDICAL STANDARDS AGREED
 RING OFFICIALS MEETING
 CARD INSURANCE FILLED
 ANTI-DOPING CONFIRM
 ELECTROLITES CONFIRM
 GLOVES SELECTION
 SPARE GLOVES
 INSTANT REPLAY PROCEDURE
 RING STANDARDS LAYOUT
 MEET CHIEF DOCTOR
 AMBULANCE
 CONFIRMED HOSPITAL

CHAMPIONSHIP'S DETAILS

TIME OF EVENT:
 CAPACITY OF ARENA:
 TV NETWORK:

TIME OF TITLE BOUT:
 ATTENDANCE:

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OFFICIAL SCORE CARD

Title: _____ **Referee:** _____ **Supervisor:** _____
Date: _____ **City:** _____ **Venue:** _____ **Promoter:** _____

WHITE **BLUE** **PINK**

VS. **VS.** **VS.**

Weight: _____ Weight: _____

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Judge: _____ **Judge:** _____ **Judge:** _____

Suspensions: _____ **Explain deduction of points or comments:** _____ **Decision:** _____
