



CONSTITUTION

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CONSTITUTION OF THE WORLD BOXING FOUNDATION

Article I - Title

The association hereinafter constituted shall be know as the World Boxing Foundation (WBF)

Article II – Objectives

1. This association is being formed as an instrument through which the various official regulatory bodies which supervise and regulate boxing can achieve, through a cooperative effort, desired objectives consistent with the public interest of maintaining maximum protection for the participants in boxing contests, and assurance that the sport of boxing remains free of influence from undesirable elements;
2. To provide for a fair, unbiased forum for the expression of opinions regarding the conduct of boxing in the best interest of the sport, as well as the general public, with the objective to enhance public confidence in boxing and those persons who participate therein;
3. To affiliate or establish liaison with other organisations throughout the world having similar objectives;
4. To encourage in the public interest, communications, cooperation, and uniformity in the supervision and regulation of boxing among the members of the association, including but not limited to, the following;
 - a. To study safety measures for participants in the conduct of matches;
 - b. To establish a uniform, fair and equitable rating system for the various weight divisions in boxing, including promulgation of procedures for the recognition of champions;
 - c. To establish procedures for the interchange of information among members regarding suspensions, revocations and other matters of disciplinary action taken by member jurisdictions;
 - d. To establish uniform procedures for the conduct of championship contests and for the mutual recognition of contracts pertaining to such contests;
 - e. To establish uniform procedures for the recognition of contracts entered into between boxers and managers;

- f. To establish uniform procedures involving conflicting contracts entered into between boxers and/or managers with promoters;

Article III – Membership

A membership committee shall be established to determine the eligibility of all applications for membership in accordance with the By-Laws of this association.

1. Membership in the association shall consist of two classifications:
 - a. General members; and
 - b. Associate members,
2. Associate members include licensed promoters, managers and other persons licensed to participate in boxing and duly appointed officials and employees of the various governmental tribunals regulating boxing; former officials of a general member; writers, journalists, publishers and other communication media representatives interested in boxing.
3. Membership qualifications:
 - a. General Member – application for general membership may be made by any legally constituted athletic commission or board within a state. In the event more than one application is submitted from a jurisdiction, the membership committee of the association shall determine in its discretion which application shall be accepted.
 - b. Associate Member – an applicant for associate membership shall hold a current license issued by a governmental tribunal regulating boxing or shall be a duly appointed official or employee of a governmental tribunal regulating boxing.

Article IV – Officers

1. The officers of the association shall consist of a president, vice president, executive secretary, treasurer, Board Chairman and other such assistants and subordinates as the By-Laws may authorise.
2. The president and vice president shall be elected by a vote of the World Boxing Foundation Board of Directors elected at large from the membership. All other officers shall be appointed by the president.
3. The association headquarters are located in Melbourne, Australia.

Article V – Meetings

1. Meetings of the association shall be conducted annually in accordance with the procedures set forth in the By-Laws.

Article VI – Affiliate Organisations

1. The By-Laws may provide for the selection of delegates to meetings of other affiliate organisations.
2. Oriental Professional Boxing

The WBF will engage in and with Martial Arts Organisations to promote world wide professional Boxing, Martial Arts and Mixed Martial Arts (cage fighting) contests.

Article VII – Finances

1. The compensation, if any, of the officers, subordinates and assistants shall be established by the World Boxing Foundation Executive committee.
2. Should this association become affiliated with other organisations, the By-Laws shall provide for the selection of a delegate or delegates to meetings and shall provide expenses as may be required.
3. In addition to membership dues, the By-Laws may provide methods for raising revenues sufficient to meet the expenses of the association in order to carry out its purposes. The World Boxing Foundation will publish a magazine (at least annually) reporting activities of the association

This constitution was adopted on the 1st day of May, 2003.