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## **CHAPTER 1            GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **Article 1        Interpretation**

- 1.1        These Bylaws have been approved and accepted in accordance with the AIBA Statutes in ~~-particular -Art. -1.1 -“AIBA -Bylaws”,- Art. -27.3 -“Congress -Proceedings” -and- Art.- 38 “Powers of the Executive Committee”.~~
- 1.2        In the event of any inconsistency or contradiction between these Bylaws and the AIBA Statutes, the AIBA Statutes shall prevail.
- 1.3        All defined terms shall have the meaning ~~-given to them -in the AIBA Statutes unless otherwise defined herein.~~
- 1.4        Unless specified, the Congress refers both to the Ordinary or Extraordinary Congress.
- 1.5        The term “AIBA Technical Rules & ~~AIBA Programs~~ Competition Rules” is as defined in the AIBA Statutes and refers to the technical rules and the competition rules that apply to ~~-AIBA -Open -Boxing -(AOB), -and World -Series- of Boxing (WSB).~~
- 1.6        The term “AIBA Competition” shall have the meaning given to such term in the AIBA Technical & Competition Rules.

## **CHAPTER 2            CONGRESS**

### **Article 2        Location**

- 2.1        The Ordinary Congress shall be held each time in a different country at the invitation of a National Federation.
- 2.2        If an Extraordinary Congress is called, it may be held in conjunction with *the* AIBA World Boxing Championships.
- 2.3        The National Federation hosting the Congress must use its best endeavors to ensure that all delegates are able to obtain the visa necessary for entry into the country and ensure that there is suitable accommodation made available for all delegates, including those whose costs are not covered by AIBA.

### **Article 3 Duration**

- 3.1 The Ordinary Congress shall be held over a maximum period of five (5) days.
- 3.2 The Extraordinary Congress shall be held over the necessary period.

### **Article 4 Expenses**

- 4.1 For the Extraordinary Congress, AIBA shall not pay any cost for delegates.

### **Article 5 Delegates**

- 5.1 Prior to the ~~commencement of the Congress, AIBA reserves the right to~~ request delegates to provide proof that they ~~hold office as president, vice president, executive~~

~~director, secretary general, executive committee member, elected member, honorary president or honorary member of the National Federation having been validly appointed them and proof that they legally represent that in accordance with the applicable statutes of the~~ National Federation at the Congress. In cases where the delegates eligibility is questioned, a final determination will be made by the Election Committee

- 5.2- For Ordinary Congress the delegates registration shall be opened a minimum of 3 months in advance. Registration will remain open a minimum of 1 month.
- 5.3 After the close of the registration period, any change in the voting delegate can only take place in extraordinary circumstances. Such extraordinary circumstances must be submitted to the Election Committee for determination. Any cost associated with the change will be borne by a National Federation.
- 5.4 In the event the Extraordinary Congress is held in conjunction with ~~the~~ AIBA World Boxing Championships, a National Federation ~~is permitted to may~~ designate either the Team Leader and/or the Head Coach as its delegate(s).

### **Article 6 Chair**

#### ~~6.1 The President~~

~~6.1 The President shall preside as Chairperson over the Congress, subject to the provisions of Art. 27.1 of the AIBA Statutes. In the event that the President is a candidate for election to the Executive Committee at the Congress, then the Election Committee shall appoint an individual, who is not a candidate in the elections, to act as Chairperson during, and for the purposes of, the elections.~~

~~6.2 The Chairperson of the Congress shall ensure that the Congress is conducted in compliance with the AIBA Statutes and these Bylaws. He or she shall open,~~

conduct and close all the debates. He or she shall grant delegates permission to speak and allot the time within which they may do so.

~~6.2~~—3 The PresidentChairperson may propose to prolong the debates; the debates shall be prolonged if such a proposal is accepted by a majority of the votes.

~~6.3~~—4 The PresidentChairperson may call to order any delegate who:

(a) deviates— from the subject, exceeds the speaking time allotted to him/her or contravenes in any other way the AIBA Statutes, these Bylaws, the Code of Ethics the Disciplinary Code and the Procedural Rules; or

(b) disturbs the debates with his/her behavior.

~~6.4~~—5 If the call to order is not effective, the PresidentChairperson may, depending on the gravity of the delegate's behavior, decide to:

(a) withdraw him/her speaking time; (b) reprimand him/her;

(c) exclude him/her from one or several debates; and/or

(d) remove him/her from the Congress.

~~6.5~~—6 If the delegate does not comply with the President'sChairperson's decision as per Art. ~~6.54~~ and ~~6.65~~ above, then the PresidentChairperson may initiate disciplinary or other legal action against the relevant delegate.

## **Article 7 Interpreters**

- 7.1 The Executive Director shall appoint qualified interpreters to translate the debates from the AIBA official languages into other AIBA official languages.

## **Article 8 Debates**

- 8.1 No delegate shall speak unless the PresidentChairperson has granted permission to him/her to do so.
- 8.2 A delegate may only speak a maximum of twice on the same subject. If the PresidentChairperson deems it necessary, he or she may authorize the delegate to speak again.

## **Article 9 Votes on a Decision**

- 9.1 Voting shall be carried out either by electronic count or by raising hands. Voting with hands can include raising color panels (green, red and white). The manner in which the voting will be carried out shall be decided by the President prior to the vote. -The Executive Director shall conduct and manage the voting process. Counting of votes will be carried out by people designated by the Executive Director.
- 9.2 Before each vote, the Executive Director shall read the text of the proposal aloud and explain the voting procedure to the Congress.
- 9.3 No one is permitted to address the Congress during the votes and until after the final results have been announced.
- 9.4 The PresidentChairperson shall announce the results.
- 9.5 The Congress may then decide whether to carry out an examination of the subject, as a whole or in stages (i.e. article by article).

## **Article 10 Votes on Elections**

- 10.1        Before each vote, the Executive Director shall explain the voting procedure to the Congress. The Executive Director shall conduct and manage the voting process.

- 10.2— ~~\_\_\_~~ No one is permitted to address the Congress during the votes and until after all final results have been announced.
- 10.3— ~~\_\_\_~~ The ~~President~~Chairperson shall announce the result of each ballot and state the number of valid votes cast for each candidate.
- 10.4— ~~\_\_\_~~ The Executive Director shall preserve the voting ballots (paper or electronic voting system results) at the AIBA Headquarters for four (4) years from the date of the vote or until the next Congress, whichever is the later.
- 10.5— ~~The positions will~~ Consistently with the requirements of Art. 34.1(A) of the AIBA Statutes, persons shall be elected to the Executive Committee by elections conducted in the following order:  
~~Congress Election: AIBA~~
- ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ (a) an election for the President, AIBA;
  - ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ (b) elections for each of the Vice- Presidents, EC Members by continents, from each of the Confederations;
  - ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ (c) elections for exclusively women Executive Committee positions from each of the Confederations;
  - ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ (d) elections for other Executive Committee positions from each of the Confederations; and then
  - ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ (e) an election for the four additional EC Members Executive Committee from any National Federation.”
- 10.6- For elections, no succeeding vote should take place until the result of the previous vote is known and announced
- 10.7- The following should not be counted as valid votes: abstentions; blank votes; votes for more or fewer candidates than the number required; votes declared void by the scrutineers. Challenges to scrutineers' decisions will be heard and the decision made by the Election Committee.
- ~~\_~~10.8- Each candidate for President should be provided with an equal opportunity to make a presentation to the members at the congress. The presentation should focus on the credentials of the candidate and the vision and objectives for their term if elected. The presentation should last no more than 5 minutes and may include video presentations and ~~multi-media~~multimedia. If the President is candidate for re-election, he or she shall not be entitled to present any report or to make any speech (except for formal matters) before the elections take place.

## Article 11 Election Committee

## 11.1 Duties and Responsibilities of the Election Committee:

- ✂ ~~Make a determination of~~determinations regarding the eligibility of delegates ~~as per article 5.2~~
  - ✂ consistently with the requirements of Art. 35 of the AIBA Statutes Review the credentials of all candidates running for the elections and determine their eligibility to run.
- ✂ Ensure that the election process takes place in accordance with AIBA Statutes and Bylaws
  - ✂ Certify and certify the voting results for all positions.
  - ✂ Provide information and clarification on the nomination and election process and dealing with unforeseen circumstances.
  - ✂ ~~decide~~Decide on any issue that arises regarding the election, candidates' eligibility and the election procedure to ensure the integrity of the election process.
  - ✂ ~~ensure~~Ensure there should be provision to revert to a paper-based system in the case of a technical failure.

## Article 12 Candidate eligibility to run for office

- 12.1 ~~Applications~~ Each application form should include ~~the~~ biography of the candidate ~~and explain; together with an explanation as to how they meet~~ the candidate claims to satisfy the requirements for the ~~post for position to~~ which ~~they are a candidate, plus he or she is seeking election, including particulars of~~ the experience, skills and qualities ~~they~~ which the candidate would bring to the position if elected.

## Article 13- Campaign Rules for Candidates

- ✂ Candidates ~~must~~should abide by the AIBA ~~code of ethics and constitution or equivalents.~~ Statutes, by these Bylaws and by the AIBA Code of Ethics."
- ✂ Candidates ~~must~~should refrain from carrying out any electoral campaigning prior to the start of the electoral period.
- ✂ Candidates ~~must~~should conduct their campaigns with honesty, dignity, moderation and respect for their opponents, limiting expenditure to a proportionate level.

- ⌋ Candidates ~~must~~should not directly or indirectly, solicit, accept or offer any form of remuneration or commission, or any concealed benefit or service of any nature, connected with any AIBA activity or election or appointment to office.
- ⌋ Candidates ~~must~~should in no case and under no pretext give presents or offer donations or gifts or grant advantages or benefits of whatever nature to or at the request of any party who will vote in, or who may otherwise influence, an election.
- ⌋ Candidates ~~must~~should not enter into any ~~inappropriate promise or~~ undertaking to personally act (whether as a candidate or following election), for the direct or indirect benefit of an AIBA body, a member federation or individuals within the AIBA.
- ⌋ Candidates ~~must~~should not accept paid travel, expenses, air tickets or accommodation from other candidates, their representatives, members or other associated ~~organisations~~organizations to attend meetings and activities directly related to a candidate's elections.
- ⌋ Candidates ~~must~~should not enter into any form of undertaking with any individual or ~~organisation~~organization that is likely to affect the candidate's freedom of decision or action if elected.
- ⌋ Except with the permission of the ~~election committee~~Election Committee, no debate or public meeting of any kind should be ~~organised or~~organized to promote a candidature.
- ⌋ Candidates may make declarations or give interviews provided, in doing so, that they comply with the rules.
- ⌋ Candidates ~~must~~should not make payments, directly or indirectly, to journalists or other persons affiliated to the media in order to promote their candidacies.
- ⌋ Candidates ~~must~~should not produce (or cause third parties to produce) any spoken word, written text or representation of any nature likely to harm the image or reputation of another candidate.

⌋\_\_ Candidates ~~must~~should not engage in any act, collaboration or collusion by or between candidates with the intent to defraud or manipulate the result of the vote.

⌋\_\_ Candidates ~~must~~should not request support or service from the AIBA or from external advisors who are working with the AIBA in connection with their candidacies.

⌋\_\_ AIBA resources ~~must~~should not be used to fund travel and campaign activities by candidates who currently occupy elected or appointed positions.

⌋\_\_ The AIBA administration ~~must~~should maintain neutrality at all times. The members of AIBA HQs should limit their relations with the candidates strictly to the content of their role as staff.

**Article 14** **Vacancy**

- 14.1 If, after expiry of the deadlines provided for under Art. 36 of the Statutes, there is no eligible candidate for a position available for election at the ordinary electoral Congress, the Election Committee shall reopen the nomination procedure by fixing new deadlines for submitting application for candidates.
- 14.2 The AIBA Headquarters shall then inform National Federations of the position(s) for which no admissible candidacy has been received in due time, informing the National Federations of the deadline fixed by the Election Committee to submit new applications for candidates. Once the applications have been received within the deadline set by the Election Committee, in the form decided by the Election Committee, the Election Committee shall review the list of eligible candidates approved by the Election Committee, which shall be sent to National Federations. The deadline provided under Art. 36.4 of the Statutes shall not be applicable.
- 14.3 If, further to the procedure described in Art 14.1 and 14.2, there is no candidate for an available position as EC Member (other than a Vice President or the President), then the position shall remain vacant until the next Congress (ordinary or extraordinary) where supplementary elections for the vacant positions shall be organised. The officials elected on the occasion of the supplementary elections shall serve for the remainder of the term of office of other AIBA officials, until the next Ordinary electoral Congress.
- 14.4 If, further to the procedure described in Art. 14.1 and 14.2, there is no candidate for an available position as Vice President, the Executive Committee shall appoint from among the elected EC Members from the same Continental Confederation in accordance with Art. 34.1 (A) iii, iv, of the Statutes an EC Member to serve as Interim Vice President until the next Congress (ordinary or extraordinary) where supplementary elections for the vacant position shall be organised. The EC Member appointed as Interim Vice President shall not be replaced at the Executive Committee until the next Congress (ordinary or extraordinary). If he or she ceases to be Interim Vice President – notably if another Vice President is elected in the course of supplementary elections, this will not affect his/her capacity to continue to serve for a full term at the Executive Committee as EC Member.
- 14.5 If, further to the procedure described in Art. 14.1 and 14.2, there is no candidate for the position as President, Art. 39.3 of the Statutes shall apply by analogy, implying that the Executive Committee shall appoint a Vice President to serve as Interim President in accordance with this provision, until a Congress is called. Art. 14.3 shall also apply if there is no

eligible candidate to replace an EC Member who resigned or has been suspended in accordance with Art. 37.3 of the Statutes.

## **Article 15 Replacement of a Vice President**

15.1 If a Vice President resigns or is suspended (provided that the suspension extends beyond the date of the next Ordinary Congress), the Executive Committee shall appoint from among the elected EC Members from the same Continental Confederation in accordance with Art. 34.1 (A) iii, iv of the Statutes an EC Member to serve as Interim Vice President until the next Congress (ordinary or extraordinary) where supplementary elections for the vacant position shall be organised. Art. 14.4 shall apply by analogy.

## **Article 16 Temporary inability to hold an office**

16.1 If an EC Member (other than a Vice President or the President, or an EC Member appointed by the Athletes' Commission) is temporarily unable or unwilling to exercise his or her powers as EC Member for whatever reason, but does not resign, the position shall remain vacant, but for no more than 365 days. After 365 days, the concerned EC Member shall be deemed to have resigned and a replacement shall be appointed in accordance with Art. 37.3 of the Statutes.

16.2 If a Vice President is temporarily unable or unwilling to exercise his or her powers as Vice President for whatever reason, but does not resign, the Executive Committee appoint from among the elected EC Members from the same Continental Confederation in accordance with Art. 34.1 (A) iii, iv, of the Statutes an EC Member to serve as Interim Vice President until the next Congress (ordinary or extraordinary) where supplementary elections for the vacant position shall be organised. If, at the latest 90 days before the date of the next Congress is called, the elected Vice President is able or wishes to resume his or her activities, he shall then be entitled to recover his or her authority for the remainder of his or her term of office. The EC Member appointed as Interim Vice President shall then continue to serve in his or her capacity as EC Member for the rest of his or her term.

16.3 If the President is temporarily unable or unwilling to exercise his or her powers as President for whatever reason, but does not resign, an Interim President shall be appointed in accordance with Art. 39.3 of the Statutes. If, at the latest 90 days before the date of the Extraordinary Congress called to elect a new President, the elected President is able or wishes to resume his or her activities, he or she shall then be entitled to recover his or her authority for the remainder of his or her term of office. The Vice President appointed as Interim President shall then continue to serve in his or her capacity as Vice President for the rest of his or her term.

**CHAPTER 4 MAINTENANCE OF MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS**

**Article ~~14~~—17 Membership**

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17.1— A National Federation can only be responsible for governing the sport of boxing. It is prohibited for a National Federation and/or its President to be responsible for governing any other sporting activity, including mixed martial arts (MMA), UFC, Kickboxing, K-1 and other similar combat sports as may be determined by AIBA.

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17.2— A National Federation President and Executive Committee members must be national passport holders of the National Federation country. In the event the President or Executive Committee member holds dual-nationality, he or she must decide upon one country they wish to represent and provide proof that it is his or her country of residence if requested to do so.

**Article ~~15~~—18 Membership Fees**

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18.1— Each National Federation shall pay an Annual Affiliation Fee of US\$ 250.00 to AIBA, which may be amended by Congress in accordance with the Statutes.

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18.2— This fee is due ~~on January 1~~ by the end of February of each year.

~~15~~18.3— \_\_\_\_\_ For the period this Annual Affiliation Fee remains unpaid, the National Federation will not benefit ~~-from-~~ any ~~-of-~~ AIBA's ~~-development~~ program ~~-and -will -not -be -allowed -to~~ participate in any bidding process for hosting an AIBA Competition.

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~~18.4~~— If a National Federation does not pay all annual fees due six (6) months before the Ordinary Congress, it will automatically lose its rights in accordance with Art. 17.4 of the AIBA Statutes.

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~~18.5~~— If a National Federation does not pay all annual fees due two (2) months before the Extraordinary Congress, it will automatically lose its right to participate and vote at the Extraordinary Congress.

## **Article ~~16~~—19 Leadership within the National Federation**

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~~19.1~~— No National Federation shall remain without an elected president for a period exceeding six (6) months.

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~~19.2~~— If the president of the National Federation is absent due to any cause, is incapable of carrying out his/her function as president, or has been suspended by AIBA or any other body, AIBA may call ~~upon the National Federation to organize a new presidential election.~~

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~~19.3~~— The new presidential election must be held within 3 months of notification by AIBA.

## **CHAPTER ~~4~~—5 FEDERATIONS**

## **EXCLUSION AND SUSPENSION OF NATIONAL**

### **Article ~~17~~**

## **20 Exclusion, Suspension and Participation in AIBA Competitions**

### **~~17~~Exclusion**

~~20.1~~— If a National Federation is excluded by the EC in accordance with Art. 18.2 of the AIBA Statutes, AIBA will no longer recognize that National Federation as responsible for governing the sport of boxing in that country.

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20.2—~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ In such circumstances the EC may decide to admit and recognize a new Provisional

~~\_~~ Member to replace the excluded National Federation until the next Congress.

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20.3—~~\_~~ If the EC decision to exclude the National Federation is ratified by Congress, the new Provisional Member shall be eligible to have its membership ratified in accordance with Art. 9.2 of the AIBA Statutes.

### **Suspension**

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20.4 ~~Except in cases of a provisional suspension, if~~ a National Federation is suspended in accordance with Art. ~~17.4~~ of the AIBA Statutes, ~~the Executive Committee and/or the EC Bureau or the Disciplinary Commission must specify~~ all rights of the suspended National Federation (as provided for under Art. 12 of the AIBA Statutes) shall be suspended for the length of the suspension. or of the provisional suspension, subject to the following provisions.

### **Participation in AIBA Competitions**

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20.5—~~\_~~ If the suspension is for a period of one year or more, then Boxers and Coaches from the suspended National Federation shall not be permitted to participate in any AIBA Competition. Officials from the suspended National Federation shall not be permitted to participate in any AIBA Competition for the duration of the period of suspension. ~~The provisions of this Art. 14.5 shall apply to all provisional suspensions also.~~

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If the suspension is for a period of less than one year or in case of provisional suspension, and subject to any decision by the Executive Committee and/or the EC Bureau and/or the Disciplinary Commission ruling otherwise, then Boxers and Coaches from the ~~suspended~~ ~~National~~ ~~Federation~~ shall ~~be~~ ~~permitted~~ ~~to~~ participate ~~in~~ AIBA Competitions provided such Boxers and Coaches are registered by the National Olympic Committee to which such suspended National Federation is ~~affiliated~~. The Boxers shall participate under the AIBA flag, the AIBA anthem shall be used ~~instead~~ ~~in~~ ~~stead~~ of the anthem of the suspended National Federation and the Boxers' and Coaches' uniform/clothing shall ~~not~~ ~~bear~~ ~~any~~ ~~symbol~~ ~~or~~ ~~color~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~suspended~~ ~~National~~ ~~Federation~~. Officials from the suspended National Federation shall not be permitted to participate in any AIBA ~~Competition~~ ~~Com~~ ~~peti~~ ~~tion~~ Competition for the duration of the period of suspension.

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### **Communication with AIBA**

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If the suspension is for a period of less than one year, the suspended National Federation shall be permitted to communicate with the AIBA Headquarters. If the suspension is for a period of one year or more, the suspended National Federation shall only be entitled to communicate with the AIBA Headquarters via one designated official from the suspended National Federation (such representative to be approved by AIBA).

For ~~the~~ ~~avoidance~~ ~~of~~ ~~doubt~~, ~~no~~ ~~communication~~ ~~is~~ ~~permitted~~ ~~between~~ ~~a~~ ~~suspended~~ ~~National~~ ~~Federation~~ ~~and~~ ~~other~~ ~~National~~ ~~Federations~~ ~~regardless~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~period~~ ~~of~~ ~~suspension~~.

## **CHAPTER ~~5~~ 6 PERMANENT COMMISSIONS**

### **Article ~~18~~ 21 Role of AIBA Commissions**

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21.1— Each of the permanent Commissions of AIBA Commission Members established pursuant to Art. 45.1 of the AIBA Statutes (other than the Athletes and Special Commissions) shall consist of such number of

members as the President, in consultation with the Executive Committee, may from time to time determine. In the absence of special circumstances, no more than 10 members shall be proposed by National Federations and appointed to each such Commission.

21.2 The Chairperson and other members of each of the permanent Commissions (other than the Athletes and Special Commissions) shall be appointed by the President in accordance with Art. 39.2(E) of the AIBA Statutes and ratified by the President. Pursuant to Art. 39.2 of the AIBA Statutes, the President may appoint a Executive Committee in accordance with Art. 38.1 (P) of the AIBA Statutes within 120 days following the conclusion of each Congress at which elections of Executive Committee members take place.

21.3 Subject to Art. 18.10 of these Bylaws, the term of office of each member of each permanent Commission Member based on his/her expertise even if such person is not proposed (other than the Athletes and Special Commissions) shall end at the conclusion of new appointments of Commissions being ratified by his/her respective the Executive Committee.

21.4 With respect to permanent Commissions other than the Athletes and Special Commissions, there shall be no limit to the number of terms a permanent Commission member may serve as a member of one or more permanent Commissions; save only that the Chairperson of a permanent Commission may only serve three consecutive terms as Chairperson of that Commission.

21.5 Each National Federation may propose a person or persons to serve on a Commission (other than the Athletes and Special Commissions). However, a person or persons not so proposed may nonetheless be appointed to a Commission.

18.2—All 21.6 In appointing a person to a permanent Commission, regard shall be had by the President and by the Executive Committee to:  
(a) the duties and functional requirements of such Commission;  
(b) the expertise of the person so appointed; and  
(c) the desirability of achieving both gender equality and a wide geographic distribution in the membership of the Commission.

21.7 Each of the permanent Commissions shall meet at least once a year. AIBA's administrative staff will be responsible for ensuring, subject to the means available to AIBA from time to time, that Commission meetings are advisory by nature. able to occur.

21.8 Recommendations made by a Commission by each permanent Commission to the Executive Committee in accordance with Art. 45.2 of the AIBA Statutes shall be limited to recommendations regarding matters and issues arising in, or in connection with, the Commission's mandated

responsibilities. A Commission's recommendation which has been approved by the Executive Committee shall be implemented ~~only if they have been approved by the President or Executive Committee or EG Bureau. All approved recommendations are implemented by the AIBA Headquarters with the assistance of the relevant Commission.~~ by that Commission in conjunction with AIBA's administrative staff.

~~18.3.—The total number of the members in each Commission will be decided~~ 21.9  
Subject to ratification by the Executive Committee, the President  
~~and members from the same country may be appointed.;~~

~~18.4—All Commission Members serve at the discretion of the President and the President has the full discretion to remove and/or replace any Commission Member as he sees fit.~~

(a) dismiss any member of a permanent Commission (other than the Athletes and Special Commissions) for any reason or reasons prior to the conclusion of that member's term of office on that Commission, and may appoint another person to replace such member; and

(b) otherwise appoint a person to replace a member of a permanent Commission (other than the Athletes and Special Commissions) who:

(i) has resigned prior to the conclusion of that member's term of office on that Commission; or

(ii) is unable or unwilling for any reason to continue serving on such Commission."

## **Article 19 — ~~Athletes & 22~~ Youth Commission**

~~19.1.1 —~~ This Commission ensures representation, protection and promotion of the interests of the young Boxers. ~~Its main objective is to help Boxers making the difficult transition from elite sport to a new career.~~

~~19.2 — This Commission also deals with issues related to the practice, development and promotion of boxing amongst the youth.~~

## **Article 20 — ~~23~~ Coaches Commission**

~~20.1.1 —~~ This Commission ensures representation, protection and promotion of the interests of the Coaches. It is also responsible for the development and implementation of the AIBA Coaching Management System.

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~~23.2 —~~ This Commission also aims to improve access to new training information technologies and produce tools ~~to~~ ~~comprehensively~~ ~~educate~~ and ~~train~~ ~~Coaches~~ ~~over~~ ~~the~~ world (universal integrated teaching system for Coaches).

## **Article 21 — ~~Ethics Commission~~**

~~21.1 — This Commission ensures compliance with the AIBA Code of Ethics. This Commission also investigates complaints, alleged breaches of Code of Ethics or other related issues and, if necessary, recommends sanctions or other actions.~~

## **Article 22 — ~~24~~ Finance Commission**

~~22.1.1 —~~ This Commission shall monitor the financial management and advise the Executive Committee ~~on~~ financial ~~—~~ matters, asset management

and all financial ~~statements~~ prepared by the ~~AIBA Headquarters~~Executive Director and Treasurer.

## Article ~~23~~ — 25 Marketing Commission

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25.1 — This ~~Commission~~ deals with all issues related to the general marketing ~~and communication~~ strategy of AIBA and advise the Executive Committee accordingly. ~~It also provides the AIBA Headquarters with expertise and knowledge, in the field of cooperation with commercial and marketing and communication partners. It also provides AIBA with expertise and knowledge in the field of marketing.~~

## Article ~~24~~ — 26 Medical Commission

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26.1 — This Commission deals with all medical issues relating to boxing and in particular issues relating to the health and safety of Boxers. ~~It also coordinates anti-doping matters.~~

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26.2 — It also provides a high level of expertise and knowledge about the care and follow-up treatment of Boxers in different environments, at the ringside and out-of-competition, including fitness to box, performance and improvement issues.

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~~26.3~~ This Commission aims to provide ~~the AIBA Headquarters~~ with a sufficient number of Ringside Doctors for all AIBA Competitions including WSB; to this end, it shall arrange various training programs and provide educational materials leading to a sustainable high quality of Ringside Doctors. ~~It also contributes to all AIBA projects medical dimension in order to promote the safety of boxing.~~

#### ~~Article 25~~ **Scientific Commission**

~~25.1~~ ~~This Commission organizes scientific research linked to the practice and development of boxing, and advise the Executive Committee accordingly.~~

#### ~~Article 26~~ ~~27~~ **Refereeing & Judging Commission**

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~~27.1~~ This Commission deals with all issues related to Referees & Judges. It is responsible for the development and implementation of the AIBA R&J Management System that caters for the development, education, certification and maintenance evaluation of R&Js.

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~~27.2~~ It also ensures that R&Js appointed to AIBA Competitions are suitably qualified and secures sufficient numbers of appropriately accredited R&Js for international, regional and national competitions by creating teaching tools, tutorial and career paths that will sustain the quality of R&Js.

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~~27.3~~ This Commission also identifies and recommends R&Js to support WSB programs.

#### ~~Article 27~~ ~~28~~ **Technical & Rules Commission**

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~~28.1~~ This Commission is responsible for the development of AIBA Technical & Competition Rules applicable to boxing and proposes new rules and/or amendments to existing rules. One of its main tasks is to implement the AIBA Scoring System.

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~~28.2~~ It also deals with issues concerning boxing equipment and competition uniforms and helps implement the R&J and Coaching Management Systems.

**Article ~~28~~ — 29 Women's Commission**

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29.1 — This Commission ~~deals with specific issues related to the practice, development and promotion of boxing amongst women.~~

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29.2 — It also encourages the grassroots development of women's boxing, as well as of women R&Js, Coaches, ITOs and Officials. This Commission aims to add women's boxing as well ~~as weight categories to the women's competition in any international multisport event including the Olympic Games.~~

**Article ~~29~~ — 30 WSB Commission**

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30.1 — This Commission is responsible for the continuing sport development of WSB.

**Article ~~30~~ — ~~Removal of an AIBA~~31 Athletes' Commission  
Member**

~~30.1 — The President has the power to remove any AIBA Commission member from a Commission should he or she be absent (without any valid reason) from two (2) Commission meetings and appoint a replacement.~~

- 31.1 The mission of the Athletes Commission is to represent the views and opinions of boxers; to ensure that boxers' voices are heard within AIBA; to inform boxers regarding AIBA's activities and requirements (as, for example, AIBA's educational programs and tools, AIBA's rules and regulations, AIBA's qualification requirements and guidelines, etc.); to work with and support AIBA's mission to develop and promote the sport of boxing; and to support the elevation of a boxing athlete to membership of the IOC Athletes Commission.
- 31.2 The Athletes Commission shall be composed of ten members elected by athletes in accordance with the provisions contained in these Bylaws. Each Confederation shall be represented on the Athletes Commission by a male and a female member.
- 31.3 There shall be an AIBA Athletes Commission Election Committee composed of three members ("the Athletes Election Committee"). The AIBA Ethics, Women's and Disciplinary Commissions shall each appoint one of that Commission's members from time to time to the Athletes Election Committee.
- 31.4 Election of members to the Athletes Commission shall be conducted:  
(a) within one calendar year following each Congress at which elections of AIBA Executive Committee members take place; and  
(b) in conjunction with AIBA World Championships
- 31.5 The members of Athletes' Commission shall be elected by the registered boxers participating in the AIBA World Championships.
- 31.6 Each election of members to the Athletes Commission shall be conducted by the Athletes Election Committee, with the assistance of AIBA's administrative staff, as follows:  
(a) Each National Federation shall be called upon to propose one or two potential candidates in the election, it being specified that in order to propose two candidates, there shall be one male and one female nominee. Each such nominee must:  
(i) be not less than 19 years of age at the time of his or her nomination;  
(ii) have competed in an AIBA-owned boxing event, or in an Olympic boxing tournament, within eight years prior to his or her nomination;  
and  
(iii) have never been sanctioned for any breach of the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules, the AIBA Code of Ethics or the AIBA Disciplinary Code.  
(b) The Athletes Election Committee shall select from among such nominees four male nominees and four female nominees from each Confed-

eration coming from different National Federations to stand as candidates in the election. In selecting such candidates, the Athletes Election Committee shall have regard to:

(i) the level of experience of each of the nominees;

(ii) whether each nominee has competed in an Olympic boxing tournament

and, if so, whether he or she has won any Olympic boxing medal or medals;

(iii) whether each nominee is, or has been, a member of the Athletes Commission of his or her National Federation or Confederation or National Olympic Committee;

(iv) the desirability of having the members of the Athletes Commission come from as wide a geographic spread of National Federations within each Confederation as is practicable; and

(v) whether such nominee is fluent in one of the AIBA official languages

(vi) such other consideration or considerations as the Athletes Election Committee may deem appropriate.

(c) The male and female members of the Athletes Commission from each Confederation shall be elected by the eligible voters from all Confederations.

(d) In the event that less than one male and/or one female nominations for potential selection as candidates in the election are received by the Athletes Election Committee from any Confederation, then the Athletes Election Committee, in consultation with the Executive Committee of the Confederation concerned, will remedy the deficiency or deficiencies by appointing such other qualified person or persons from any National Federation within such Confederation as the Athletes Election Committee may think proper to stand as a candidate or candidates in the election.

(e) Each election shall be conducted by secret ballot; with such ballot, at the discretion of the Athletes Election Committee, being either electronic or by way of ballot papers in hard copy. Voting in each such election shall be by single majority, i.e. the male and female candidate from each Confederation with the highest number of votes shall be elected

31.7 Following each election of persons to the Athletes Commission, the persons so elected shall elect from among their members a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson of the Commission. If the person so elected as Chairperson is male, then the person elected as Vice Chairperson must be female. If the person so elected as Chairperson is female, then the person elected as Vice Chairperson must be male. The persons elected as Chairperson and Vice

Chairperson of the Athletes Commission shall be voting members of the AIBA Executive Committee consistently with the requirements of Art. 34.1(C) of the AIBA Statutes.

- 31.8 Those persons elected to the Athletes Commission, and those persons elected as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of that Commission, shall assume their offices upon the ratification of their respective elections by the AIBA Executive Committee consistently with Art. 38.1(P) of the AIBA Statutes.
- 31.9 The term of office of each member of the Athletes Commission shall end immediately following the conclusion of the Athletes Commission elections. A member of the Athletes Commission may not be elected to that Commission for more than three consecutive terms.
- 31.10 Casual vacancies on the Athletes Commission shall be dealt with as follows:
- (a) Where a member of the Athletes Commission ceases to be a member of that Commission for any reason or reasons between Commission elections, his or her position as a member of such Commission shall, subject to ratification by the AIBA Executive Committee in accordance with Art. 38.1(P) of the AIBA Statutes, be filled by the runner-up to the former member in the election at which the former member was elected to the Athletes Commission. In the event that the runner-ups are tied, Art. 31.6 (e) shall apply.
  - (b) Where the Chairperson of the Athletes Commission ceases for any reason or reasons to be Chairperson (as the case may be) between Commission elections, then the vacant Chairperson's office shall be filled by the Vice Chairperson.
  - (c) Where the Vice Chairperson of the Athletes Commission ceases for any reason or reasons to be Vice Chairperson, the vacant Vice Chairperson's office shall be filled by a new election conducted consistently with the requirements to be found in Art. 31.7 of these Bylaws.
- 31.11 The Athletes Election Committee shall additionally be responsible for:
- (a) making any necessary determinations regarding the eligibility of boxers to vote in Athletes Commission elections;
  - (b) reviewing the credentials of all candidates for election to the Athletes Commission, and determining the eligibility of each such candidate to stand for election to such Commission;
  - (c) ensuring that election processes for Athletes Commission elections take place in accordance with these Bylaws, and certifying the results of each such election;
  - (d) providing information and clarification as required with respect to all aspects of the election processes for Athletes Commission elections; and

(e) resolving any other issues which might arise during, or in connection with, elections to the Athletes Commission.

### **Article 32 Special Commission**

32.1 The Special Commission shall be composed of the President of AIBA, the Executive Director of AIBA, three other AIBA Executive Committee members two of which must be members of the Executive Committee Bureau and five individuals proposed by AIBA's partner Company in charge of WSB and marketing activities.

32.2 The primary purpose of the Special Commission is to ensure that:  
(a) all commercial initiatives taken with respect to WSB do not interfere with, or adversely impact on, other AIBA sporting activities; and  
(b) AIBA sporting initiatives are not detrimental to approved commercial programs."

## **CHAPTER ~~6~~ — ~~7~~**

## **INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS**

### **Article ~~31~~ — ~~33~~ Definition**

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33.1 — A competition is classified as an international competition if it comprises Boxers from at least three (3) different National Federations.

### **Article ~~32~~ — ~~34~~ Authorization**

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34.1 — In the event authorization for an international competition is sought in between two AIBA EC -meetings, -such -authorization -may -be -granted by -the -Confederation -on- whose territory the competition is intended to take place.

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34.2 — If a National Federation fails to request the authorization set out in this article, stipulated in -the- AIBA -Competition -Guidelines -(set -out -in -AIBA Technical -Rules -and -AIBA-3 Programs-Competition -Rules) -and -in -Art. -58.2-57 of -the -AIBA -Statutes or -within -the

~~\_specified -time, -the -AIBA -Disciplinary -Commission -will -review -the -case and -issue sanctions. -It -may, -amongst -other -things, -prohibit -all National -Federations, -boxers, coaches, referees and judges from participating in such competition.~~

### **Article ~~33~~ — 35 Report to AIBA**

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35.1 — ~~Within~~ Within 14 days after the end of an international competition, the Confederation- and/or National Federation of the territory on which the competition took place must send to the AIBA Headquarters all result sheets indicating the results, the names of the Referees & Judges, Timekeeper & Gong Operator, Competition Jury, Draw Jury and Medical Jury Members.

## **~~CHAPTER 7~~ — WORLD SERIES OF BOXING**

### **Article ~~34~~ — WSB**

~~34.1~~ — ~~It is prohibited for an AIBA official (referees, judges and ITOs) to enter into a World Series of Boxing franchise agreement (either personally or through the use of a company with which the Official, or an affiliate of the Official, is associated).~~

### **Article ~~35~~ — 36 Professional Boxing**

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36.1 — ~~Where~~ Where the term “professional boxing organization” is used in the AIBA Statutes, Rules, Regulations or ~~these -Bylaws, -such -term -shall be -interpreted -as -referring -to-~~ any organization or entity, including any regulatory, licensing or sanctioning bodies, involved in a professional sports activity where boxing is a component part of such activity and shall include such sports activities as mixed martial arts (MMA), UFC, kickboxing, ~~-K-1 and other similar combat sports as may be determined by AIBA.~~

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36.2 — ~~Where~~ Where the ~~-term -“professional -boxing -match” -is -used -in -the AIBA -Statutes, -Rules, Regulations -or -these -Bylaws, -such -term shall -be -interpreted -as referring -to-~~ any professional sports activity where boxing is a component part of such activity and shall include such sports activities ~~-as mixed martial arts (MMA), UFC, kickboxing,- K-1 and other similar combat sports as may be determined by AIBA.~~

## **CHAPTER 8 NATIONAL FEDERATION STATUTES, BYLAWS, CONSTITUTIONS, ELECTIONS**

### **Article ~~36~~ 37 National Federation Statutes and Bylaws**

~~36.1 Pursuant to Art. 6.1 and 13 (D) of the AIBA Statutes, following any amendment of the AIBA Statutes or these Bylaws, each National Federation must update their own statutes, constitution and bylaws and ensure that such statutes, constitution and bylaws comply fully with the AIBA Statutes and these Bylaws. Each National Federation shall submit their amended statutes, constitution and bylaws to AIBA for approval no later than 6 (six) months after the date on which the AIBA Statutes or these Bylaws were amended.~~

37.1 At the Conclusion of a National Federation Congress, the National Federation shall submit a copy of their revised statutes within three months.

### **Article ~~37~~ 38 Election and Appointment of National Federation Officers**

~~37~~ 38.1— In deciding whether or not to approve and recognize any election or appointment of officers of a Each National Federation and the organizational structure of a is required to ensure that:

(a) all candidates for offices within that National Federation pursuant are properly qualified to Art. 13(E) and Art. 14 of the be candidates having regard to all of the eligibility criteria of AIBA Statutes, AIBA shall consider the following, non-exhaustive list of factors: and of such National Federation as may relate to those offices;

~~(a) the integrity of the election and appointment process;~~

~~(b) the level of external interference in the election and appointment process;~~

~~(c) the affiliation to a professional boxing organization of any elected or appointed officer of a National Federation, it being understood that where any such elected or appointed officer has held any position within, or has been affiliated to, any professional boxing entity (other than World Series of Boxing and/or APB), including as a Boxer, Coach or Trainer, such officer shall be ineligible to be elected or appointed as an officer of a National Federation.~~

~~This Art. 34.1(c) shall not apply to Officials of National Federations to which Art. 8.3 of the AIBA Statutes applies;~~

~~(d) whether the election has taken place in accordance with local laws, AIBA, Confederation and National Federation Statutes and Bylaws; and~~

~~(e) observance by the National Federation of the AIBA Code of Ethics in conducting the election.~~

~~37.2 No National Federation's election (or appointments) shall be recognized by AIBA unless the following information is sent \_\_\_\_\_ (b) it submits to the AIBA Headquarters at least one (1) month before the proposed date of the election:~~

~~(a) Date and place of General Assembly or Congress;~~

~~(b) List of nominations for Presidency and Executive Committee (together with proof of their eligibility);~~

~~(c) Agenda~~

~~(d) List of delegates; and~~

~~(e) Copy of most recent National Federation statutes, articles, constitution or bylaws in English and Word format; such documentation must be reviewed and approved by AIBA before any election may take place.~~

~~Upon receipt of the above documentation, AIBA will review it and make a decision whether or not an election at a General Assembly/Congress may be carried out.~~

~~37.3 As soon as possible (and no later than 1 (one) week) after a National Federation has held elections, it shall send the results of such elections to AIBA. The National Federation shall notify AIBA of the identity of the names of all persons who were duly elected or appointed to positions at offices with the elections National Federation, and of the offices to which such persons have been elected or appointed, not more than 10 days after each election concerned.~~

~~37.4 Failure by any \_\_\_\_\_~~ 38.2. AIBA reserves the right to refuse to recognise the results of any election conducted by a National Federation to comply with this Art. 34 may result in the non-acceptance of the election results and suspension of all the National Federation's membership rights until AIBA concludes that such time as a new election has been carried out was not conducted in accordance with the:

(a) all applicable provisions in the AIBA Statutes and Bylaws;

(b) all relevant provisions in the Statutes or Constitution (as the case may be) of the National Federation; and

(c) all relevant national legislation and regulations.

38.3. In the absence of any immediate objection to an election conducted by a National Federation, AIBA will provisionally accept the validity of the result or results of such election. If, within a period of 90 days following such provisional acceptance, no formal complaint regarding the election has been received by AIBA, or has been received and rejected by AIBA, then such provisional acceptance shall become full and complete acceptance by AIBA of the election result or results.

38.4. AIBA reserves the right to investigate any election conducted by a National Federation and/or to require a National Federation, at the expense of such National Federation, to conduct an election in the presence, and/or under the supervision, of a representative appointed by AIBA.

## **CHAPTER 9 \_\_\_\_\_ HONORARY POSITIONS AND AWARDS**

### **Article ~~38~~ \_\_\_\_\_ 39 AIBA Order of Merit**

~~39~~.1 — ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ An ~~Order of Merit~~ may be awarded to individuals who have made ~~a~~ distinguished contribution to boxing or have otherwise achieved remarkable merit in the sport.

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~~39~~.2—~~When~~ When the occasion is necessary, the AIBA President will send requests for recommendations for suitable candidates for the AIBA Order of Merit.

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~~39~~.3—~~When~~When all applications have been received, the President will decide to whom ~~he~~ or she will award the Order of Merit.

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~~39~~.4— ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ An honorary position may be bestowed upon an individual together with the AIBA Order of Merit.

## ~~CHAPTER 10~~ AIBA OLYMPIC COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

### Article ~~39~~ 40 Olympic Compliance Committee

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~~40~~.1— ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ Prior to the commencement of the Olympic Games, the AIBA President may establish an ad hoc committee in order to evaluate and make any recommendation to ~~the AIBA President for his decision~~ during the Olympic Games on the following issues:

- (a) ~~\_\_\_~~ Disciplinary matters or violations;
- (b) ~~\_\_\_~~ Betting, manipulation or corruption matters or violations;
- (c) ~~\_\_\_~~ Ethical matters or violations;
- (d) ~~\_\_\_~~ Crisis management relating to issues raised outside of the Field of Play; ~~(e)~~
- (e) The media; and
- ~~(e)~~ f Any other matter deemed appropriate by the AIBA President.

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~~40~~.2 The President shall appoint 3 members to the ad hoc committee, subject to ratification by the Executive Committee.

**CHAPTER 11** ~~ADOPTION AND COMING INTO FORCE~~ **TRANSITORY**  
**PROVISION**

These Bylaws were adopted by the AIBA Executive Committee ~~on November 4, 2017,~~ who fixed the date for the Bylaws coming into force.

The Athletes' Commission shall be implemented throughout the year 2019 in order for elections to take place on the occasion of the 2019 World Boxing Championships. Once the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Athletes' Commission have been elected, they shall start serving at the AIBA Executive Committee until the next Athletes Commission Election under Art. 31.9 of these Bylaws. Between the date of adoption of these Bylaws and the date such elections take place, two athletes (one male and one female) fulfilling the eligibility criteria under Art. 31.6 (a) shall be appointed by the Executive Committee as ~~November 4, 2017~~ athletes' representatives until the date of the elections at the Athletes' Commission. Those athletes shall be invited to attend the Executive Committee meetings.

