

## APPENDIX C – SEEDING PROCEDURE FOR THE OFFICIAL DRAW (Men and Women)

### 1. Seeding Commission

- 1.1. A Seeding Commission must be formed before each relevant competition.
- 1.2. Eligibility
  - 1.2.1. It must be formed by AIBA Supervisors and/or AIBA ITOs.
- 1.3. Number of Members:
  - Three (3) members for Confederation Championships.
  - Five (5) members for all other competitions.
- 1.4. The Seeding Commission will be formed no later than one (1) month prior to each competition by the AIBA President based on the recommendations of the AIBA Technical & Rules Commission.

### 2. Seeding Procedure of the Official Draw

- 2.1. A Seeding System may apply for the following elite level competitions (for both Men and Women unless otherwise stated):
  - 2.1.1. Olympic Games
  - 2.1.2. AIBA World Championships
  - 2.1.3. Continental Multi-Sport Games
  - 2.1.4. Elite Confederation Championships
- 2.2. To ensure even strength throughout the Official Draw and to avoid the best World Ranked Boxers meeting in the early rounds, the Official Draw may be seeded as follows:
  - 2.2.1. No seeds if there are less than 4 entries in the Weight Category (Men and Women)
  - 2.2.2. A maximum of two seeds if there are 4 to 15 entries in the Weight Category;
    - 2.2.2.1. In the Olympic Games a maximum of four seeds if there are 4 to 15 entries in the Weight Category for Women
  - 2.2.3. A maximum of four seeds if there are more than 15 entries in the Weight Category;
    - 2.2.3.1. In the Olympic Games a maximum of eight seeds if there are more than 15 entries in the Weight Category for Men
  - 2.2.4. A maximum of eight seeds if there are more than 31 entries in the Weight Category;
  - 2.2.5. A maximum of sixteen seeds if there are more than 63 entries in the Weight Category;
  - 2.2.6. The AIBA Seeding Commission will review the performances of all the registered Boxers before each of the competitions where seeding is applied.
  - 2.2.7. The AIBA Seeding Commission must follow the below rationale for the seeding criteria. Any one boxer who does not meet the criteria will not be seeded:

## AOB

- Within the Quarterfinalists from the last edition of the AIBA World Boxing Championships
- Within the Quarterfinalists from the last edition of the Confederation Championship (including Continental Olympic Qualifiers)

## APB

- Must be within the top 4 on the current individual ranking, if not, no seed

## WSB

- Must be within the top 8 on the individual ranking of Season V or Season VI, if not, no seed

## Non-APB Professionals

- Title holder from one of the major professional organizations (WBC, IBF, WBA or WBO)
- Previous medal holder from an Olympic Games or AIBA World Championship
- Previous participant in an Olympic Games
- Must be within the top 8 from a professional unified ranking (BoxRec or FightFax)
- Must be within the top 10 on the individual ranking from one of the major professional organizations
- Hold a winning record (more wins than losses)

### 2.3. Seeding process

2.3.1. Seeded entries will be selected from the highest ranked boxers within each of the above criteria.

2.3.2. For the Competitions listed in above Rule 2.1., the #1 seed shall go to an AOB boxer

2.3.3. The #2 seed onwards, the competition in which the boxer is coming from will depend on their performance according to above criteria and subject to the Seeding Committee's review (for which one would be considered the best one of those identified)

2.3.4. There should be, if possible, a balance between competitions, so that APB, WSB and pros all can get at least one seed in each weight category

2.3.5. Not all seeds have to be assigned if not enough boxers fulfil the above criteria

2.3.6. The AIBA Seeding Commission has the final approval of the seeded boxers.

2.3.7. Seeding Quota for Host Country:

2.3.7.1. Only in the AIBA World Boxing Championships will the Host Country receive the 8th ranking seed in each Weight Category if any Boxer from the Host Country is not qualified for any position among eight (8) allocated seeds.

2.4. For the Competitions listed in above Rule 2.1., the seeding of the Official Draw will be controlled by the AIBA Seeding Commission. To accomplish this, all entries must be forwarded by the Organizing Committee to the AIBA Headquarters.

2.5. The Official Draw will be conducted as follows:

2.5.1. The number of byes must be defined and placed as follows:

2.5.1.1. When the number of Boxers is 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128 or any higher power of 2, they will meet in pairs in the order drawn, as in Diagram 1, for 8 Boxers.

2.5.1.2. When the number of Boxers is not a power of 2, there will be byes in the first round of Bouts. The number of byes will be equal to the difference between the next higher power of 2 and the number of Boxers (e.g. with 17 Boxers, there are  $32 - 17 = 15$  byes).

2.5.1.3. Byes will be placed as in Diagram 2.

2.5.2. Seeded entries will be placed as detailed in the example draw in Diagram 2. Seeded entries in the top half of the draw will be placed at the top and bottom of their sections (e.g. eights or sixteenths), and in the bottom half of the draw at the bottom and top of their sections.

2.5.2.1. Depending on the number of seeds as listed in Rule 2.2.1., the top 2 and 4 seeded entries will be dealt with as follows and shown in Diagram 2 and Diagram 3 (eg. 1 seed, 2 seed, 3 seed, 4 seed):

- Number 1 placed at the top of the diagram;
- Number 2 placed at the bottom of the diagram;
- Number 3 placed at the top half of the bottom of the diagram;
- Number 4 placed at the bottom half of the top of the diagram.

2.5.2.2. The other seeds will be dealt with taking into account the requirements of above rules.

2.5.2.3. Numbers 5 to 8 or 9 to 16 will be placed as shown in Diagram 2 and Diagram 3 (eg. 5-8 seed or 9-16 seed) and will be drawn by lot by an independent panel of observers.

2.5.2.4. The remaining places will be filled with non-seeded Boxers randomly by the Computerized Draw System or Manual Draw System.