



Sustainability Policy and Guidelines

AIBA’s Definition of Sustainability

Sustainable development can be defined as the development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of the future generations to meet their own needs.

Sport and Sport events have the potential to impact our society in both positive and negative ways and now, more than ever, sport governing bodies should be accountable for a sustainable sport. The purpose of this document is to help AIBA HQs, Confederations, National Federations and Local Organising Committees to adopt a proactive attitude to integrate and implement sustainability measures in order to balance their economic, social and environmental impact.

Sustainability strategy is one of the central parts of the IOC Agenda 2020 Recommendations, which focuses on five key areas: Infrastructure and Natural Sites, Sourcing and Resource Management, Mobility, Workforce, Climate. AIBA shares the IOC’ spheres of responsibility as an International Federations (IF), a member of the Olympic Movement, last but not least, part of the Olympic Games summer program.

AIBA encourages its members to respect and promote the IOC Sustainability strategy, prioritising Sourcing and Resource Management, Mobility, and Workforce in the management of daily activities and boxing events.

AIBA’s sustainability strategy is based on the three guiding principles:

- Adopt a responsible and sustainable behaviour in daily activities
- Strive to deliver sustainable events
- Provide sufficient education and training

These guiding principles should be considered as a foundation that can and should be adjusted depending on the organisation’s capacity to do so.

A. Adopt a responsible and sustainable behaviour in daily activities

Each organisation, whether it’s large or small, should aim for a sustainable office management strategy to minimize the negative impact on the environment. The table below provides easy solutions that can help reduce our negative impact on the environment, save money and live a healthier life.

Office Management

Energy Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Optimise the use of light, heating and cooling (e.g. Maximize natural light in the office) - Opt for better office products equipment’s (e.g. EU Ecolabel, EU Energy Label, Energy Star label...)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opt for renewable energy - Turn off electronics, lighting and heat and/or cooling every evening before leaving the office
Water Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Measure and Manage water usage
Clean Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement a no-smoking policy - Bring a desk plant to improve indoor air quality - Use biodegradable cleaning products
Paper Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Aim at becoming paperless - Use recycled paper for printers - Print double-sided - Setup a printer friendly email signature for all staff members (e.g. <i>Please consider the environment before printing this email</i>)
Waste Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Find ways to prevent the creation of waste - Provide recycling bins in your office (paper, glass, plastic, aluminium, organic...) - Say NO to plastic (e.g. forks, knives, plastic cups, plastic bottles...) Instead, keep your own cutlery at your desk, use reusable bottles or thermos
Mobility Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage your staff to use low emission transportation

B. Strive to deliver sustainable events

In AIBA’s vision, sustainability is a way of working. It shall not be an add-on to the operation of events. To ensure effectiveness and efficiency in event planning and operation, we not only reduce unnecessary waste of resources, but also increase the profitability of AIBA events. In other words, AIBA and its Organizing Committees contribute to shape the future of our society by managing our events more effectively.

No matter the size of the event, whether it is a world championship or a local tournament, all National Federations and/or Organising Committees should adopt a more sustainable behaviour and be geared toward delivering greener events. The advice presented below can help National Federations and Organising Committees integrate sustainability in the planning and delivery of their event(s).

Event Management

Venue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Select sites and venues with a minimum ecological effect (e.g. existing venue) - Choose a centrally located site to minimize commuting distances for athletes, officials, staff between hotels, competition venues, training venues... - Choose a venue that has a barrier free access (e.g. accessible by different types of transport)
Venue Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement a responsible energy management strategy - Implement a responsible waste management strategy

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement a clean air strategy - Implement a water management strategy - Aim at reducing the paper consumption (e.g. Print double-sided, use recycled paper, implement electronic systems instead of using signage, find an alternative to printing entry tickets for spectators...) <p>➤ <i>Additional tips can be found in the Office Management</i></p>
Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimize commuting and distances between venues (competition venue and training venue) and hotels - Opt for low emission transportation (e.g. low emission shuttles, hybrid cars, bicycles...) - Liaise with local authorities regarding public transportation to ensure good and clean public transportation services - Encourage the public to take public transportation (e.g. discounts on transportation can be offered to people using public transport)
Accommodation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Choose hotels that are close to training and competition venues - Choose hotels with green and/or social responsibility program and practices
Food & Beverages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make smart food choices to help reduce ecological footprint of food - Minimize food wastes - Minimize packaging - Avoid using plastic (e.g. Green cups) - Provide recycling bins - Contribute to local community by donating unused food to local shelters
Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engage the local community as much as possible (e.g. volunteers, entry level positions...) and support social diversity - Engage local authorities and seek for their support - Work with sponsors who share the vision of delivering a green event - Donate remaining gear, equipment and clothing to local schools, local sport clubs, local communities...
Communication & Marketing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Avoid unnecessary printing (e.g. flyers, tickets, papers...) - When printing is needed, print on recycled paper and double-sided - Promote sustainability before, during and after the event (e.g. sustainable branding, pick few focused messages on sustainability, - Have a green team for the event in charge of promoting sustainability and engaging with the public and participants - Implement green guidelines for the event and for all stakeholders - Use electronic signage rather than printed signage



Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use Boxing Equipment provided by AIBA Licensees as they have met the sustainability requirement through licensing application process. - ISO labels and TÜV labels
Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plan – Ask someone within the LOC to be in charge of the sustainability aspects / Define a clear strategy

C. Provide sufficient education and training on sustainability

AIBA will provide support and guidance to its key stakeholders in the boxing family including Member Federations, Continental Confederations and Local Organizing Committees of AIBA Events, through the provision of toolkit and guidelines, and through the organisation of workshops.

The hereunder matrix can help event organisers define a clear pathway. As Sustainability encompasses an environmental, an economic and a social sphere, it is important for organisers to implement sustainability measures in all these spheres. From these three spheres, organisers should define clear areas of focus with distinct measures that will be implemented, objectives and indicators in order to measure those objectives.

Sphere	Field Area	Objectives	Measures	Key Indicators	Focus Areas (Who)
Environment	Waste Management	Obj 1, Obj 2 ...	Measure 1, Measure 2	Ki1, Ki2, Ki3...	Concerned group in this FA
	Transport	...	...	...	...
	Energy	...	...	...	...

Economic	Tourism	...	...	...	...
	Local Producers	...	...	...	...
	Infrastructures	...	...	...	...

Social	Local Community	...	...	...	...
	Free access	...	...	...	...
	Youth	...	...	...	...
