

**IBA POLICY
ON THE PREVENTION
OF COMPETITION
MANIPULATION**





INTRODUCTION

The International Boxing Association (“**IBA**”), alongside its Confederations and National Federations, recognizes the persistent and evolving threats posed by the manipulation of sports competitions. Such practices endanger the fundamental principles of fairness, transparency, and athlete welfare, compromising not only individual bouts but also the credibility of the sport itself.

In the past, IBA has faced scrutiny over historical incidents of bout manipulation, as documented in the McLaren Reports, which identified systemic weaknesses in governance, refereeing and judging, and competition oversight. The lessons drawn from past cases underline the importance of a proactive and stringent policy framework aimed at preventing any recurrence of unethical conduct and behavior.

In recognition of the importance of international cooperation in the fight against competition manipulation, IBA is committed to fully aligning its policies, plans and practices with the Council of Europe Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions. This Convention provides a robust framework for combating manipulation through coordinated efforts involving public authorities, sports organizations, and betting operators.

The purpose of this Policy is to establish a comprehensive and harmonized regulatory approach to safeguard all boxing competitions from manipulation. This Policy not only incorporates international best practices but also emphasizes a zero-tolerance approach to any form of manipulation, corruption, or unethical conduct that jeopardizes the integrity of boxing. This Policy aligns with international best practices, including the Council of Europe Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions (in particular article 7) and the IOC Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions.

Given the complexity and global nature of these threats, IBA, the Confederations, and National Federations recognize that effective prevention requires collaboration beyond the boxing community. Cooperation with public authorities, law enforcement agencies, regulatory bodies, and sports betting entities is essential to ensure robust monitoring, reporting, and enforcement mechanisms.





The IBA, Confederations, and National Federations commit to:

- Implementing clear and enforceable regulations to prevent, detect, and sanction competition manipulation.
- Educating and training all stakeholders—athletes, coaches, officials, and administrators— on ethical conduct and integrity measures.
- Establishing transparent reporting mechanisms, ensuring that any suspected breaches are investigated and prosecuted effectively.
- Reinforcing disciplinary procedures with stringent sanctions to deter potential offenders.
- Promoting a culture of integrity and accountability at all levels of competition, consistent with those principles that are protected in the Council of Europe Convention.
- Continuing to adapt and strengthen governance frameworks based on emerging risks and independent assessments, including those identified in past investigations.

IBA and its affiliates pledge to incorporate this Policy into their regulatory frameworks, ensuring its application at all levels of competition. National Federations are expected to adopt and enforce measures that are consistent with, or stricter than, the standards set forth in this document.

1. INTERPRETATION

- 1.1. Capitalized terms used in this Policy shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Constitution.
- 1.2. The following terms – used in this Policy only – have the meanings ascribed to them in this article:

“Benefit” means the direct or indirect receipt or provision of money or the equivalent such as, but not limited to, bribes, gains, gifts and other advantages





including, without limitation, winnings and/or potential winnings as a result of a wager; the foregoing shall not include official prize money, appearance fees or payments to be made under sponsorship or other contracts;

“Boxing Independent Integrity Unit” or **“BIIU”** means the independent integrity unit established in accordance with article 36 of the Constitution;

“Coach” means any individual who organises, supervises and/or conducts the training of Boxers in order for them to reach their best potential;

“Competition” means IBA Competitions, as well as boxing competitions initiated or authorised and approved by Confederations or National Federations;

“Constitution” means the IBA Constitution adopted on 7 December 2024, together with all subsequent amendments;

“Disciplinary and Ethics Code” means the IBA Disciplinary and Ethics Code;

“Inside Information” means information relating to any Competition that a person possesses by virtue of his or her position in relation to a sport or Competition, excluding any information already published or common knowledge, easily accessible to interested members of the public or disclosed in accordance with the rules and regulations governing the relevant Competitions;

“Integrity Officer” means:

- a) for National Federation: a person appointed by a competent body of a National Federation to investigate and prosecute any breach of the Regulations before the Ethics Committee and/or the Disciplinary Committee and/or equivalent body;
- b) for IBA: an Investigation and Prosecution Officer, a person appointed to investigate and prosecute any breach of the Regulations before the Tribunal;

“Manager” means a person who provides career assisting services to a Boxer and who is recognized in this status within the jurisdiction of National Federation by means of licensing, contract etc.;





“**Participant**” means a person a boxer or any member of his support personnel;

“**Procedural Rules**” means the BIIU Procedural Rules;

“**Promoter**” means a person who is responsible for staging of Competitions and who is recognized in this status within the jurisdiction of National Federation by means of licensing, contract etc.

“**Tribunal**” means a body, being part of the Compliance Unit of the BIIU, responsible to hear cases where a breach of the Regulations allegedly accrued and to apply sanctions.

- 1.3. Any term, definition, or concept not expressly stated herein but referred to in this Policy shall be interpreted in accordance with the definitions, terms, and principles set forth in the IBA Constitution and Regulations, as well as any subsequent amendments or new incorporations introduced into other regulations. Furthermore, if a new definition or individual role is introduced within the IBA framework that extends the meaning of a term or concept within this Policy, such definition or role shall be deemed applicable and binding under this Policy.
- 1.4. In this Policy, unless otherwise specified:
 - a. references to articles are references to articles in this Policy;
 - b. unless otherwise specified below, references to a “person” shall be construed so as to include any individual, firm, company, corporation, body corporate, government, state or agency of a state, local or municipal authority or government body or any joint venture, association, federation, confederation or partnership (whether or not having separate legal personality);
 - c. Any reference to the masculine gender shall be deemed to include both male and female persons, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise;
 - d. a reference to any of the regulations, or to any provision or provisions in a regulation, shall be construed, unless the context otherwise requires, as





including a reference to any amendment or replacement made to the same from time to time; and

e. in the event of any inconsistency between this Policy and the Constitution, the Constitution shall prevail.

1.5. All headings and titles in this Policy have been inserted for ease of reference only and may not be considered as an aid to its interpretation.

2. SCOPE OF APPLICATION

General applicability

2.1. This Policy shall apply to all individuals and entities directly or indirectly associated with IBA, its Confederations and National Federations. Each National Federation must appoint an Integrity Officer responsible for implementing and monitoring compliance with this Policy. The Integrity Officer shall report to the BIU and must provide an annual integrity compliance report. Compliance with this Policy is mandatory, and any violation will result in strict disciplinary actions.

2.2. The following individuals and entities are explicitly bound by this Policy:

- Officials (including Competition Officials/Managers, Referees, Judges, Timekeepers);
- Boxers (amateur and professional) participating in any IBA Competition;
- Coaches, and Seconds;
- Managers, Promoters, and Matchmakers;
- Medical and Technical Staff;
- Elected or appointed representatives of IBA, Confederations and National Federations;
- Persons contracted, accredited, or otherwise engaged by IBA, Confederations, or





National Federations;

- Any other individuals or entities involved in the organization, conduct, or management of IBA Competitions.

2.3. All individuals and organizations bound by this Policy are strictly prohibited from:

- engaging in, facilitating, covering up, or failing to report any form of competition manipulation;
- attempting, encouraging, or aiding third parties to manipulate the outcome of a boxing bout;
- using inside information for betting, gambling, or any illicit advantage;
- interfering with integrity investigations or failing to cooperate with disciplinary bodies.

2.4. Failure to comply with this Policy may result in lifetime bans, financial penalties, disqualification of results, and legal action.

IBA Jurisdiction over International Competitions

2.5. IBA shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to deal with all allegations of competition manipulation related to IBA-owned competitions.

2.6. BIIU, under the IBA Disciplinary and Ethics Code, will investigate all allegations related to these competitions. The BIIU Tribunal has the power to impose sanctions, suspensions, and provisional measures against any individual or entity found in breach of this Policy.

National-level Jurisdiction and IBA Intervention

2.7. Each National Federation is responsible for enforcing this Policy at the national level. However, BIIU reserves the right to intervene and assume disciplinary authority in any of the following cases:

- If a National Federation does not have an established integrity system for investigating and sanctioning competition manipulation;





- If a National Federation fails to investigate and prosecute cases within 3 (three) months when the matter became known to IBA or BIIU;
 - If a National Federation demonstrates bias, reluctance, or incapacity to conduct a fair and independent investigation;
 - If manipulation involves international betting fraud, syndicate-driven match-fixing, or athletes and officials from multiple National Federations;
 - If a case presents significant risks to the sport's credibility or IBA's reputation, requiring intervention from IBA and the BIIU.
- 2.8. IBA retains the right to acknowledge any case of potential manipulation, whether reported by a National Federation or identified through other means, and subsequently refer it to the BIIU for further investigation, evaluation, and potential disciplinary action where appropriate.
- 2.9. Upon assuming jurisdiction, IBA, through the BIIU, may take any of the following actions:
- Conduct independent investigations to gather evidence and ascertain the facts of the case;
 - Sanction the responsible parties in accordance with the IBA Disciplinary and Ethics Code, this Policy as well as any other applicable regulations;
 - Issue binding directives requiring National Federations to implement corrective measures, including, but not limited to, establishing or improving their integrity systems and ensuring compliance with the directives issued by the BIIU;
 - Collaborate with relevant authorities or organizations to address and mitigate any identified risks to the credibility of the sport or the reputation of IBA.





3. SANCTIONS

3.1. Violations of this Policy shall be subject to strict disciplinary sanctions, determined by the Tribunal in accordance with the IBA Disciplinary and Ethics Code. Sanctions shall be applied proportionally based on the severity, intent, and impact of the offense, as well as any aggravating or mitigating factors.

The following sanctions shall be imposed, including but not limited to:

- **Warning or reprimand:** Applied in minor infractions with no direct impact on competition integrity.
- **Monetary fines:** Proportional to the severity of the breach, illicit gains obtained, and financial status of the offender, with fines ranging up to USD 250'000 (two hundred fifty thousand American dollars) in severe cases.
- **Suspension from boxing-related activities:** Temporary or long-term exclusion from competitions, events, or governance roles, with a minimum duration of 6 (six) months and up to 10 (ten) years.
- **Ban from participation in boxing:** Permanent exclusion from any boxing activity under IBA jurisdiction, including but not limited to, participation in competitions, events, or governance roles, for committing serious violations, including corruption and match-fixing, or other conduct detrimental to the integrity of the sport.
- **Revocation of titles, rankings, or results:** Applied where competition outcomes were affected, ensuring that manipulated results are nullified.
- **Disqualification of teams, clubs, or federations:** For systemic breaches involving multiple participants or demonstrate patterns of institutionalized corruption.
- **Referral to law enforcement:** In cases involving fraud, bribery, or organized criminal activity, or violation of national or international laws.
- **Community service in sports integrity programs:** Applicable to first-time





offenders where education is deemed appropriate, and shall be imposed in addition to other disciplinary measures.

- **Provisional suspensions:** Imposed while investigations are ongoing, where there is credible evidence of a serious integrity violation.

4. OBLIGATIONS

4.1. Failure to report

- 4.1.1. The obligation to report integrity violations is central to protecting boxing from corruption and manipulation. Any individual who is approached, solicited, or made aware of an attempt to engage in match-fixing, corruption, or illicit betting must report it to the relevant integrity authorities at the first available opportunity. Failure to report such misconduct is a serious disciplinary offense, regardless of whether the individual personally participated in the activity.
- 4.1.2. Individuals in key roles, including referees, judges, officials and coaches, have a heightened obligation to report integrity breaches.
- 4.1.3. This reporting obligation extends beyond direct experiences. If an individual becomes aware of another participant being approached or involved in a potential violation, they must report it without delay. Any failure to do so—whether through negligence, willful ignorance, or deliberate concealment—shall be treated as a breach of this Policy, with sanctions equivalent to those imposed on direct participants in competition manipulation.
- 4.1.4. Individuals who fail to report integrity breaches will face suspension from competition, disqualification of results, and referral to the Tribunal for further sanctions. IBA will ensure strict enforcement to uphold accountability at all levels.
- 4.1.5. IBA shall guarantee anonymity and protection against retaliation for individuals who report integrity breaches. Any attempt to retaliate against whistleblowers shall be treated as a separate and serious breach of this Policy.





4.2. Failure to cooperate

- 4.2.1. Full cooperation with IBA, BIIU, National Federations, and integrity investigators is mandatory under this Policy. This includes, but is not limited to, providing accurate and complete information, attending interviews when requested, disclosing all relevant documents, necessary access to facilitate a thorough review of suspected violations and refraining from any actions that may interfere with the investigation. Refusal to cooperate, providing false or misleading statements, or obstructing an investigation through the destruction or concealment of evidence will constitute an independent violation.
- 4.2.2. Obstruction of an integrity inquiry—whether through refusal to testify, deliberate delay tactics, or influencing others to withhold evidence—shall be met with significant disciplinary measures, including immediate suspension, long-term bans, and legal action where applicable. IBA reserves the right to impose provisional sanctions on individuals under investigation to prevent further harm to competition integrity.

5. PROHIBITED CONDUCT

Ensuring the integrity of boxing competitions is a fundamental responsibility of all individuals and entities bound by this Policy. Any form of conduct that undermines fairness, transparency, or the legitimacy of competitions is strictly prohibited. All individuals and entities bound by this Policy must strictly adhere to the following:

5.1. Betting and Similar Activity

- 5.1.1. Any person bound by this Policy is strictly forbidden to bet or conduct any similar gambling-related activities on any boxing competition under IBA's jurisdiction. This prohibition extends to all forms of betting, whether placed individually or through third parties, including transactions made through family members, business associates, or third parties, and applies irrespective of whether the individual is directly involved in the competition. Betting on boxing events poses





a significant risk to the sport's integrity, and any attempt to exploit privileged knowledge or influence outcomes for financial gain is considered a serious breach.

- 5.1.2. In addition to prohibiting a bet, this Policy forbids any individual from using an Inside Information for a direct or indirect financial interest in betting companies, gambling platforms, or any other entity involved in organizing, promoting, brokering, or facilitating wagering on boxing bouts.
- 5.1.3. Individuals found in breach of articles 5.1.1 and/ or 5.1.2 shall be sanctioned as follows:
- **First offense:** Suspension from boxing-related activities for a period of 1 (one) to 5 (five) years and a fine of up to USD 50,000 (fifty thousand American dollars).
 - **Repeat offenses:** Suspension for a period of 3 (three) years up to lifetime ban from all boxing activities and a fine up to USD 90,000 (ninety thousand American dollars).
 - **Involvement in betting operations:** Automatic lifetime ban, confiscation of illicit gains, and referral to authorities for potential criminal prosecution.
 - **Failure to report betting activities:** Suspension of up to 3 (three) years and a fine up to USD 10,000 (ten thousand American dollars).
 - **Refusal to cooperate in investigations:** additional 2 (two) year suspension for the accused party on top of existing sanctions, plus a fine of USD 25,000 (twenty-five thousand American dollars).
 - **Failure to cooperate by another person bound by this Code:** A suspension of up to 1 (one) year and a fine of up to USD 10,000 (ten thousand American dollars), depending on the severity of the lack of cooperation.
- 5.1.4. These sanctions shall be applied cumulatively in cases of multiple violations. Any person found complicit in covering up or facilitating such activities shall face





equivalent disciplinary action.

5.2. Manipulation of Boxing Matches or Competitions

5.2.1. Match-fixing and any form of competition manipulation are among the gravest threats to the credibility of boxing. No person bound by this Policy shall attempt, conspire, or assist in the manipulation of any boxing match or competition outcome. Manipulation includes any action undertaken with the intent to alter the natural course of a bout, whether by coercing a boxer into underperforming, influencing the conduct of officials, or interfering with fair judging processes.

5.2.2. Match manipulation may take various forms, including but not limited to:

- Bribery or coercion of athletes, coaches, referees, judges, or officials to influence match outcomes;
- Deliberate underperformance or intentional loss of a bout;
- Pre-arranged results agreed upon before a competition;
- Intentional misapplication of rules by referees or judges to favor a specific boxer;
- Use of third parties to facilitate or coordinate match manipulation;
- Pressuring or intimidating boxers or officials into complying with corrupt schemes.

5.2.3. Beyond direct involvement, any individual who fails to prevent or report an attempted manipulation will also be held accountable under this Policy. As a fundamental obligation, every individual aware of a scheme, approach, or solicitation related to match manipulation must immediately report it to the BIU, the designated Integrity Officer, or the relevant National Federation authority. Delayed reporting, deliberate concealment, or negligence in alerting integrity authorities shall be considered a breach of this Policy, with severe disciplinary consequences.





5.2.4. All boxers, officials, and other stakeholders must:

- Refuse any offer or approach related to match manipulation.
- Report any suspected or known manipulation to the designated integrity authorities.
- Cooperate fully with investigations into suspected match-fixing cases.
- Comply with integrity education programs designed to prevent manipulation.

5.2.5. Individuals or entities involved in match manipulation will face lifetime bans from boxing, financial penalties, annulment of results, and potential legal consequences, including criminal prosecution for corruption and fraud. IBA will actively cooperate with law enforcement agencies to ensure that individuals engaged in organized competition manipulation face full legal accountability.

5.2.6. Sanctions shall be applied as follows:

- **Direct involvement in bout manipulation:** From 5 (five) years suspension of any boxing activity up to lifetime ban from all boxing activities, annulment of results, and a fine up to USD 250,000 (two hundred fifty thousand American dollars).
- **Failure to report known match-fixing schemes:** Suspension of any boxing activity of 2 (two) to 5 (five) years and a fine from USD 10,000 (ten thousand American dollars) up to USD 50,000 (fifty thousand American dollars).
- **Conspiring to influence referees, judges, or officials:** Suspension of any boxing activity for a period of 5 (five) years up to lifetime ban from all boxing activities and a fine from USD 80,000 (eighty thousand American dollars) up to USD 150,000 (one hundred fifty thousand American dollars).
- **Repeated offenses or large-scale organized manipulation:** From 10 (ten) years suspension of any boxing activity up to lifetime ban, forfeiture of





all prizes, titles, and earnings, and mandatory referral to criminal authorities, in addition to a fine up to USD 150,000 (one hundred fifty thousand American dollars).

- **Attempted match manipulation:** Suspension of any boxing activity of 2 (two) to 5 (five) years and a fine from USD 20,000 (twenty thousand American dollars) up to USD 100,000 (one hundred thousand American dollars).
- **Refusal to cooperate in investigations:** additional up to 2 (two) year suspension of any boxing activity for the accused party on top of existing sanctions, plus a fine of USD 25,000 (twenty-five thousand American dollars).
- **Failure to cooperate by another person bound by this Code:** A suspension of up to 1 (one) year of any boxing activity and a fine of up to USD 10,000 (ten thousand American dollars), depending on the severity of the lack of cooperation.

The Tribunal shall have the discretion to impose additional sanctions based on the severity of the violation, including provisional suspensions pending investigation outcomes.

- 5.2.7. Furthermore, IBA may impose additional corrective measures such as mandatory integrity training, restrictions on future participation in competitions, and enhanced monitoring of individuals with prior infractions.
- 5.2.8. All individuals and organizations must uphold the highest standards of sportsmanship and integrity, and any deviation will be met with strict and uncompromising enforcement.





5.3. Corrupt conduct

5.3.1. Corrupt practices in boxing competitions are strictly prohibited under this Policy. No individual bound by this Policy shall provide, solicit, request, accept, or facilitate any benefit, whether financial or otherwise, that influences the outcome of a match or competition in an improper manner. This includes bribes, gifts, sponsorships, or any form of advantage designed to manipulate competition results, referee or judging decisions, or any other aspect of the sporting contest.

5.3.2. Corrupt conduct also includes, but is not limited to:

- Offering or accepting bribes to fix matches or influence officials;
- Providing gifts or financial incentives to secure favorable treatment;
- Providing financial incentives or valuable items alongside instructions related to the assignment or conduct of specific judges or officials for particular bouts;
- Using sponsorships or donations to exert undue influence over competitions or selection of participants;
- Coercing or intimidating officials, athletes, or other stakeholders to manipulate results;
- Engaging in money laundering schemes using boxing events as a conduit;
- Interfering with the appointment or assignment of referees and judges to manipulate outcomes;
- Pressuring selection committees to favor specific athletes or officials for unjustified reasons;
- Engaging in personal relationships or financial dealings that create conflicts of interest within IBA Competitions;
- Misusing administrative positions within IBA, Confederations, or National Federations to advance corrupt practices.

5.3.3. The mere act of engaging in corruption-related activities constitutes a serious disciplinary violation, even where no direct manipulation occurs.





5.3.4. Persons involved in corrupt practices will be subject to immediate suspension pending investigation, followed by permanent exclusion from boxing, financial sanctions, and referral to appropriate legal authorities for further criminal action where necessary. IBA considers corruption an existential threat to the sport and will take uncompromising action against all forms of misconduct.

5.3.5. Sanctions shall be applied as follows:

- **Bribery, coercion, or illegal financial incentives to influence competitions:** From 10 (ten) years suspension of any boxing activity up to lifetime ban from all boxing activities and a fine from USD 90,000 (ninety thousand American dollars) up to USD 200,000 (two hundred thousand American dollars).
- **Soliciting or accepting bribes:** From 10 (ten) to 20 (twenty) years suspension of any boxing activity, full restitution of illicit gains and a fine from USD 45,000 (forty-five thousand American dollars) up to USD 100,000 (one hundred thousand American dollars).
- **Attempting to improperly influence competition officials:** From 10 (ten) years suspension of any boxing activity up to lifetime ban and a fine from USD 20,000 (twenty thousand American dollars) up to USD 80,000 (eighty thousand American dollars).
- **Using sponsorship or financial leverage to manipulate competition outcomes:** 3 (three) to 8 (eight) year suspension of any boxing activity and a fine of USD 50,000 (fifty thousand American dollars).
- **Failure to report known instances of corrupt conduct:** Suspension of 6 (six) months to 2 (two) years and a fine up to USD 30,000 (thirty thousand American dollars).
- **Refusal to cooperate in investigations:** additional 2 (two) year suspension for the accused party on top of existing sanctions, plus a fine of USD 25,000 (twenty-five thousand American dollars).





- **Failure to cooperate by another person bound by this Code:** A suspension of up to 1 (one) year of any boxing activity and a fine of up to USD 10,000 (ten thousand American dollars), depending on the severity of the lack of cooperation.

5.3.6. Furthermore, IBA may impose additional corrective measures such as mandatory integrity training, restrictions on future participation in competitions, and enhanced monitoring of individuals with prior infractions.

5.4. Inside information

5.4.1. Inside information refers to any confidential, non-public, or privileged knowledge related to boxing competitions that, if disclosed or misused, could unfairly influence betting markets, competition outcomes, or strategic decision-making.

Examples of inside information include, but are not limited to:

- Undisclosed injuries or health conditions of boxers.
- Strategic decisions regarding match tactics or game plans.
- Internal discussions about referee or official assignments.
- Information about disciplinary proceedings or integrity investigations before they are publicly announced.
- Any unpublished results, rankings, or organizational changes that could impact competition outcomes

5.4.2. Individuals bound by this Policy are strictly prohibited from using, disclosing, or misappropriating inside information for personal or third-party gain. Specifically, no individual shall:

- Use inside information for betting purposes, whether for their own advantage or on behalf of another person.
- Share inside information with third parties, regardless of whether the individual benefits directly or indirectly from the disclosure.





- Provide or receive compensation, gifts, or benefits in exchange for inside information, irrespective of whether the information was ultimately used for betting or match manipulation purposes.
- Encourage, facilitate, or assist others in obtaining or misusing inside information.

Any person found to be in breach of these provisions shall be deemed in violation of this Policy and subject to strict disciplinary measures.

5.4.3. Violations related to inside information shall result in severe disciplinary measures, including:

- **Use of inside information for betting or competitive advantage:** Suspension of 10 (ten) months to 3 (three) years of any boxing activity and a fine from USD 5,000 (five thousand American dollars) up to USD 75,000 (seventy-five thousand American dollars).
- **Unauthorized disclosure of confidential competition details:** Suspension of any boxing activity of 18 (eighteen months) to 3 (three) years and a fine from USD 5,000 (five thousand American dollars) up to USD 60,000 (sixty thousand American dollars).
- **Providing or receiving compensation in exchange for inside information:** Minimum 1 (one) year suspension of any boxing activity up to 3 (three) years, a fine from USD 20,000 (twenty thousand American dollars) up to USD 100,000 (one hundred thousand American dollars).
- **Use of inside information to facilitate manipulation:** Suspension of any boxing activity of 2 (two) to 8 (eight) years and a fine from USD 30,000 (thirty thousand American dollars) up to USD 100,000 (one hundred thousand American dollars).
- **Repeated or aggravated offenses:** Lifetime ban from all boxing activities





and potential civil or criminal liability.

- **Failure to report known breaches of inside information rules:** Suspension of any boxing activity of 3 (three) months to 2 (two) years and a fine from USD 2,000 (two thousand American dollars) up to USD 50,000 (fifty thousand American dollars).
- **Refusal to cooperate in investigations:** additional 6 (six) months suspension of any boxing activity for the accused party on top of existing sanctions, plus a fine of USD 3,000 (three thousand American dollars).
- **Failure to cooperate by another person bound by this Code:** A suspension of up to 3 (three) months of any boxing activity and a fine of up to USD 1,500 (one thousand five hundred American dollars), depending on the severity of the lack of cooperation.

5.4.4. Furthermore, IBA may impose additional corrective measures such as mandatory integrity training, restrictions on future participation in competitions, and enhanced monitoring of individuals with prior infractions.

5.5. Aggravating and Mitigating Factors

5.5.1. The Tribunal shall consider aggravating circumstances that shall warrant the imposition of a more severe sanction include, but are not limited to:

- Prior disciplinary offenses under this or any other IBA regulation, particularly for similar or integrity-related violations;
- The scale of the offense, including involvement in organized corruption, match-fixing networks, or systematic manipulation of results;
- The level of financial or reputational damage caused to IBA, Confederations, or National Federations;
- The intent, planning, and premeditation involved in committing the violation;





- The level of influence exerted over other participants, such as coercion of boxers, officials, or third parties;
- Non-cooperation with investigative or disciplinary proceedings, including destruction or concealment of evidence;
- Use of sophisticated methods to evade detection, including the involvement of third parties to facilitate the prohibited conduct

5.5.2. The Tribunal shall consider mitigating circumstances that may justify a reduction in the severity of a sanction include, but are not limited to:

- Voluntary disclosure of the violation before it was independently detected;
- Full and timely cooperation with integrity investigators, including providing information leading to the identification of other offenders;
- The absence of prior disciplinary infractions and a demonstrated history of compliance with integrity regulations;
- Genuine remorse and proactive efforts to repair the damage caused to the integrity of the sport;
- Involvement in the offense under duress or coercion, particularly in cases where the individual was pressured or threatened by a third party.

5.5.3. The Tribunal shall have the discretion to increase, decrease, or modify the applicable sanction based on the specific circumstances of each case. Where an offense is particularly egregious or involves repeat infractions, the Tribunal may impose the highest available sanction under this Policy. Conversely, where substantial mitigating factors exist, a reduction in the applicable sanction may be considered, provided that such reduction does not compromise the deterrent effect of the disciplinary measures.

5.5.4. The Tribunal shall increase sanctions in cases involving repeat offenders or where actions caused significant damage to the sport's integrity.





5.6. Application of articles 5.1 – 5.5

- 5.6.1. For the determination of whether a violation has been committed under this Policy, the following are irrelevant:
- a. Whether the individual directly participated in the Competition concerned;
 - b. The actual outcome of the Competition in question;
 - c. Whether the manipulation attempt was successful;
 - d. The financial benefit obtained (or lack thereof);
 - e. Whether the breach involved a direct violation of a technical rule;
 - f. The presence or absence of IBA, Confederation, or National Federation representatives during the manipulated event.
- 5.6.2. Any attempt to engage in a violation, as well as assisting, encouraging, or facilitating a breach, shall be sanctioned with severity. However, the applicable range of the sanction shall be limited of half the upper limit and a minimum of half the lower limit of the penalty prescribed for the primary offense. Whether an act was committed deliberately or negligently does not reduce culpability, and ignorance of the rules shall not be considered a defense.

5.7. Substitution of Suspension with Financial Penalty

- 5.7.1. A sanctioned party, except in cases of a lifetime ban, may opt to substitute a financial penalty for an additional period of suspension. Specifically, the condemned party may substitute up to two (2) separate increments of USD 50,000 (fifty thousand American dollars) each, with each increment corresponding to 1 (one) additional year of suspension in all boxing activities. However, the total additional suspension period resulting from such substitution shall not exceed 2 (two) years, regardless of the total fine imposed.
- 5.7.2. The Tribunal shall have full discretion to approve or deny such a request based on the nature of the violation and any aggravating or mitigating factors present in the case.





5.8. Compliance before resuming any position in Boxing

- 5.8.1. A condemned party that has not fully complied with the disciplinary sanctions imposed, including the payment of any applicable fines, shall not be permitted to hold or resume any position within boxing, whether as an athlete, official, coach, manager, promoter, or any other role under IBA jurisdiction, until full compliance with the sanction has been confirmed by the relevant disciplinary body.

6. DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

- 6.1. The disciplinary proceedings arising from violation of this Policy shall be conducted in accordance with the BIIU Procedural Rules and the Disciplinary and Ethics Code.
- 6.2. The Tribunal, operating under the authority of the BIIU, shall oversee all disciplinary matters related to breaches of this Policy. The Tribunal is empowered to investigate, prosecute, and sanction individuals or entities found guilty of engaging in, facilitating, or failing to prevent the manipulation of boxing competitions.

Proceedings before the Tribunal may be initiated by:

1. A formal complaint submitted to the BIIU Compliance Unit, the IBA Integrity Officer, or the relevant National Federation;
2. An investigation conducted by the BIIU, acting upon intelligence gathered through monitoring mechanisms, betting alerts, whistleblower reports, or law enforcement cooperation;
3. A referral from a National Federation, in cases where the National Federation lacks the appropriate integrity mechanisms or fails to take timely action against an integrity breach;
4. Direct referral from law enforcement or regulatory authorities, particularly in cases involving criminal conduct such as fraud, bribery, or organized





corruption.

- 6.3. All investigations shall be conducted under the supervision of the BIU to ensure impartiality and avoid conflicts of interest. The accused shall have the right to a fair hearing, representation, and the ability to present evidence and call witnesses before a final decision is rendered by the Tribunal.
- 6.4. The Tribunal's decisions shall be final and binding, subject to appeal before the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in accordance with IBA regulations.

Specific sanctions per violation Type

- Lifetime bans from participating in any boxing-related activity under IBA jurisdiction;
 - Suspension from competitions, including temporary or long-term exclusion from IBA-sanctioned events;
 - Revocation of titles, rankings, or competition results in cases where manipulation has affected the outcome of a bout;
 - Financial penalties and fines, calculated based on the severity of the violation and any illicit gains obtained;
 - Disqualification of teams, clubs, or federations involved in systemic competition manipulation;
 - Referral to law enforcement or regulatory authorities where criminal activity is suspected, potentially leading to prosecution for offenses such as fraud, bribery, or corruption.
- 6.5. All sanctions shall be imposed proportionately, considering the nature of the violation, level of involvement, and impact on the integrity of the sport. In cases of repeat offenders or aggravated circumstances, stricter penalties, including lifetime exclusion, shall be applied.
- 6.6. The Tribunal shall also consider aggravating and mitigating factors, such as whether the accused cooperated with the investigation, demonstrated remorse, or





took proactive measures to prevent integrity breaches.

- 6.7. IBA shall publish the summary of sanctioned cases, maintaining transparency and ensuring that individuals and entities who engage in competition manipulation are held publicly accountable.

7. PROVISIONAL SANCTIONS

- 7.1. To protect the integrity, reputation, and credibility of boxing competitions, the Tribunal may impose provisional sanctions, including provisional suspensions, on any participant where there is a significant risk of harm to the sport's integrity. These provisional measures shall be imposed in accordance with the IBA Disciplinary and Ethics Code and shall remain in effect until a final decision is rendered through the appropriate disciplinary process.
- 7.2. A provisional sanction may be imposed when:
- There is substantial evidence indicating a serious breach of this Policy;
 - The continued participation of the accused in boxing activities poses a threat to the integrity of an ongoing or upcoming competition;
 - The individual's presence in the sport may damage the public perception of fair play and transparency;
 - There is a high risk of obstruction of justice, including potential evidence tampering or interference with an ongoing investigation.
- 7.3. Provisional sanctions shall be imposed immediately upon determination of necessity by the Tribunal.
- 7.4. If an individual is found guilty following the disciplinary process, the period of provisional suspension may be counted toward any final sanction imposed. In cases where the accused is ultimately exonerated, IBA shall take appropriate measures to restore their reputation and standing within the sport.





8. INTEGRITY REPORTING MECHANISMS

- 8.1. All individuals bound by this Policy must immediately and voluntarily report any integrity breaches to the BIIU or their National Federation's Integrity Officer.
- 8.2. IBA shall establish a secure and confidential reporting system, ensuring protection from retaliation. Reports may be made anonymously via dedicated hotlines, secure online platforms, or email
- 8.3. Reporting channels: IBA Integrity Email, Anonymous Digital Reporting Portal, National Integrity Officers.
- 8.4. National Federations shall publicize reporting mechanisms via official websites and competition venues.
- 8.5. Integrity posters and flyers shall be displayed at all IBA-sanctioned events.
- 8.6. Regular training sessions shall emphasize reporting obligations.

9. INTEGRITY DECLARATIONS AND CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

- 9.1. All boxers, referees, judges, officials, and match organizers must sign an Integrity Declaration before participating in any IBA competition.
- 9.2. The declaration shall confirm that participants:
 - Have not engaged in betting or competition manipulation;
 - Will not accept bribes or improper benefits;
 - Will report any suspicious activity.
- 9.3. All official boxing contracts must include an Integrity Clause, stating that:
 - Any involvement in bout manipulation or integrity violations shall result in immediate contract termination;
 - Sanctions, including lifetime bans, shall apply for proven integrity breaches;





- National Federations must ensure official contracts comply with IBA integrity provisions

9.4. The obligation to report integrity violations is central to protecting boxing from corruption and manipulation. Any individual who is approached, solicited, or made aware of an attempt to engage in match-fixing, corruption, or illicit betting must report it to the relevant integrity authorities at the first available opportunity. IBA will establish a fully confidential, encrypted reporting mechanism to facilitate anonymous disclosures. Reports can be submitted via email, hotline, or secure online platform, ensuring full protection against retaliation. Failure to report such misconduct is a serious disciplinary offense, regardless of whether the individual personally participated in the activity.

9.5. This reporting obligation extends beyond direct experiences. If an individual becomes aware of another participant being approached or involved in a potential violation, they must report it without delay. Any failure to do so, whether through negligence, willful ignorance, or deliberate concealment, shall be treated as a breach of this Policy, with sanctions equivalent to those imposed on direct participants in competition manipulation.

10. MISCELLANEOUS

10.1. Any violation of this Policy that occurred prior to its entry into force shall be adjudicated based on the substantive provisions in force at the time of the violation. However, the range of sanctions applicable to such violations shall be determined in accordance with the IBA Disciplinary and Ethics Code.

10.2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, when determining the appropriate sanction, the competent adjudicatory body shall apply the sanctions set forth in this Policy to the maximum extent possible, provided that such sanctions do not exceed the upper limit of those prescribed in the IBA Disciplinary and Ethics Code for similar violations.





- 10.3. In cases where the violation was not specifically regulated under the previously applicable rules, or where the applicable sanction under prior regulations is less severe than that foreseen in this Policy, the competent adjudicatory body may, at its discretion, apply the sanctions established in this Policy in a manner consistent with the principles of legality and proportionality.
- 10.4. This provision shall not preclude the retroactive application of a more lenient sanction if such sanction is provided for under this Policy, in line with internationally recognized principles of sports disciplinary law.

11. FINAL PROVISIONS

- 11.1. In the event this Policy is translated into one or more languages, the English version shall prevail.
- 11.2. This Policy has been adopted by the IBA Board of Directors at its meeting on 3 April 2025 and enters into force immediately upon its adoption. All individuals and entities bound by this Policy must comply with its provisions without exception.
- 11.3. This Policy replaces the AIBA Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions of 1 July 2021.
- 11.4. In the event of any discrepancy or conflict between the provisions of this Policy and the IBA Disciplinary and Ethics Code concerning the manipulation of matches or competitions, the provisions of this Policy shall prevail. This ensures that the most stringent measures are applied in cases of bout manipulation, reinforcing IBA's zero- tolerance approach to integrity violations.

