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EUROPEAN BOXING COUNCIL

Ratings Committee

Article 1 – Introduction

The EBC Rating Committee has been appointed and works according to Article 18.3 of the European Boxing Council Constitution.

Article 2 – Function of the E.B.C. Ratings Committee

The Ratings Committee works and decides independently from the Board of Directors. Appeals from EBC members or Affiliated National Associations against decisions made by the Ratings Committee have to be heard and determined by the Disputes Settlement Committee.

The Ratings Committee will compile each month a table of up to 20 boxers in each of the weight categories recognized by the Board of Directors (Boxing Rules Article 4), such table to be based upon boxing merit as well as results of the most recent contests up to the last day of the previous month.

Besides the EBC Ratings the Committee will compile ratings for boxers of the European Union and boxers of the Extended European Union. The ratings Committee will as well compile ratings for women boxers in weight categories recognized by Board of Directors.

Such ratings will be circulated amongst all members and Affiliated National Associations by the General Secretary before the 1st day of the following month. Ratings will also be published on the EBC website.

Article 3 - Eligibility

To be eligible to be rated in the EBC ratings a boxer must be :

(a) at least 18 years of age;

and

(b) domiciled in and a citizen of a European country

(c) licensed at least one year by an EBC Affiliated commission or organization

Article 4 – Weights

The weight categories recognized by the Board of Directors are defined in Article 4 of the EBC Boxing Rules.

Article 5 – Standards of rating

As a general rule the Ratings Committee at its complete discretion shall rate only boxers who are capable of competing for EBC male or female titles respectively.

Male boxers must have fought at least 8 contests, one of them scheduled to be over 8 rounds. Of these contests at least two contests in last 24 months must have taken place in Europe. Totally at least 5 of boxers last 10 fights must have taken place in Europe and been sanctioned by EBC Affiliated Commission.

Female boxers must have accomplished at least four contests to be eligible to be rated. Boxer has to be active during last 12 months in order to stay on the ratings.

The Ratings Committee at its complete discretion shall take into account the boxer's general ability, his or her recent performances, his or her record and activity as well as the value of his or her opponents.

Article 6 - Introduction of a boxer to the ratings

A boxer may be recommended to be rated by a member of the Ratings Committee or by written recommendation of his licensing National Commission. Boxer can be rated only in one weight division at a time. He or she must have boxed at least one of his last two contests in the division he or she wants to be rated. When boxer engages in a title fight he will be rated in the category in which the fight took place.

As a general rule no boxer will be newly included in the ratings after having been defeated in his or her last contest; it is to the discretion of the Ratings Committee to decide otherwise.

Article 7 – Removal from the ratings

A boxer shall no longer be rated:

if the Ratings Committee at its complete discretion no longer regards him/her as worthy contender.

Except for the champion and the mandatory challenger, if he/she has been inactive for more than 12 months (after 8 months inactivity the rating shall begin to be lowered)

if he/she is no more licensed by an EBC Affiliated National Association

if he/she is suspended by his/her National Association

If he/she is found having used forbidden drugs (WADA), the suspension from the ratings is 2 years.

if he/she is performing on meetings organized by federations or organizations not member of the EBU the rating commission will remove her/him from the ratings for nine months and on request of the respective federation he/she can be rated again

A boxer holding a "European title" from another organization may only be rated after he or she has relinquished this title.

Article 8 – World champions

Current Full world champions will not be rated as contenders.

Article 9 – Official Challenger

The Official Challenger will be always appointed by the Ratings Committee and such appointment shall be made known by the General Secretary at the moment of the confirmation of the previous championship contest. Unless otherwise decided at the complete discretion of the Ratings Committee

the highest rated and available contender who accepts the nomination shall become next Official Challenger.

No contender marked with an asterisk (see Article 11) can be appointed as Official Challenger.

As a general rule no contender shall be appointed as Official Challenger immediately after having been defeated, unless the Ratings Committee at its complete discretion decides otherwise (e.g. if it is a close defeat in a recognized world title contest).

Article 10 – Loss of the status of Official Challenger

If the Official Challenger loses in a contest after he has been appointed, he will lose his status unless otherwise decided by the Ratings Committee and he will be replaced by the highest rated and available contender, who accepts the nomination.

Article 11 – Withdrawal from a Championship Contest

The Champion or Official Challenger, who has agreed with the contest either by agreement or purse bids, but withdraws from the contest, shall be fined 2500 Euros and shall not be allowed to fight for the EBC male or female title during the next following 12 months.

Such boxers shall be marked with an asterisk (*). If the fines are not paid boxers will be removed from ratings until they have been paid.

Article 12 – Decisions

All decisions of the Ratings Committee shall be determined by simple majority with casting vote of the President of EBC or if he or she is absent the chairman of the Ratings Committee.

A member of the Ratings Committee shall not vote in respect of any decision in which he or she has any direct or indirect interest.