Irish Athletic Boxing Association
Nomination Policy
2026 Commonwealth Games

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1 Definitions

In this Nomination Policy:

'2026 Commonwealth Games'	means the 2026 Commonwealth Games which are scheduled to take place in Glasgow from 23 July 2026 to 2 August 2026;
'Athletes'	means the NI boxers who put themselves forward for Nomination;
'Board of Directors'	means the board of directors of the IABA who have ultimate authority over IABA policies, governance and approvals;
'Commonwealth Games Northern Ireland'	means the body responsible for selecting and managing Team NI athletes for the 2026 Commonwealth Games (**'CGNI'**);
'Commonwealth Sport'	means the international governing body that oversees the Commonwealth Games and its eligibility rules (Byelaws 16 & 17) **('CWS')**;
'Irish Athletic Boxing Association'	means the governing body for boxing on the island of Ireland responsible for governance, administration, and high-performance programmes (**'IABA'**);
'National Head Coach'	means the IABA national head coach, the lead coach within the High-Performance Programme, responsible for technical and coaching oversight (**'NHC'**);
'National Performance Director'	means the IABA national performance director, who is the senior official responsible for the High-Performance Programme and for implementing this Nomination Policy ('**NPD**');
'Nomination'	means the action of identifying and putting forward an Athlete to CGNI for selection;
'Nomination Panel'	means the body established under Rule 32 of the IABA Rulebook; to identity Athletes for Nomination for the 2026 Commonwealth Games (**'NP'**);
'Nomination Policy'	means this Commonwealth Games 2026 Nomination Policy;
'Nomination Process'	means the process by which an Athlete is identified for Nomination;
'Ulster Boxing Council'	means the regional governing body for boxing in Ulster, (**'UBC'**);
'Ulster High Performance Programme'	means the regional high-performance training and development programme in Ulster (**'UHPC')**;
'Ulster Elite Championships'	means the annual boxing competition in Ulster which serve as a key qualifying event for Nomination and which are scheduled

	to be held in December 2025 (**'UEC')**;
'Team Northern Ireland' or 'Team NI'	means the official Northern Ireland delegation to the 2026 Commonwealth Games;
'World Boxing Rules'	means the official international competition rules governing boxing at the 2026 Commonwealth Games;
'World Anti-Doping Agency / Code' or WADA/WADC'	means the international authority and framework governing anti-doping compliance;

2 Introduction

2.1 This Nomination Policy outlines the criteria and Nomination Process by which the IABA will Nominate Athletes for selection to Team NI for participation at the 2026 Commonwealth Games.

3 Objective

3.1 In line with the Commonwealth Games Northern Ireland Selection Policy (available here and at Schedule 1), the objective of this Nomination Policy is to ensure the Nomination of the best-prepared and most competitive Athletes, who are:-

3.1.1 deemed by the IABA as genuine medal prospects at the 2026 Commonwealth Games; or

3.1.2 identified by the IABA as being potentially capable of achieving a top-8 finish at the 2026 Commonwealth Games.

3.2 In furthering the objective above the IABA is fully committed to equal opportunities and promoting equality, diversity and inclusion (referred to as EDI), which means:

3.2.1 **Equality**: providing equal opportunities and fairness for all Athletes and eliminating unlawful discrimination in the sport of Boxing.

3.2.2 **Diversity**: recognising, respecting and valuing the differences in an Athlete's protected characteristics, including but not limited to their background, race, religious belief or political opinion, and sexual orientation; and

3.2.3 **Inclusion**: ensuring a Nomination Process that is merit based, fair and safe for all Athletes, that values their differences and enables each Athlete to be themselves, achieve their potential and thrive at the sport of Boxing.

3.3 The IABA's commitment to EDI, and ensuring that there is no unlawful discrimination based on protected characteristics, is a fundamental element of this Nomination Policy:

3.3.1 the rights and responsibilities of those to whom the Nomination Policy applies;

3.3.2 the procedure for dealing with concerns or complaints;

3.3.3 how the IABA will deal with any breach of this Nomination Policy;

3.3.4 who is responsible for the Nomination Policy; and

3.3.5 how the Nomination Policy will be implemented, monitored and reviewed.

4 Application Governance and Oversight

4.1 This Nomination Policy has been developed by the IABA, in collaboration with the UBC and the UHP programme, with input from the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland, and is the responsibility of and has been approved by the IABA Board of Directors.

4.2 This Nomination Policy applies to all Athletes and IABA personnel involved in the Nomination Process, including but not limited to employees, temporary and agency workers, interns, and volunteers. Everyone involved in the Nomination Process is responsible for ensuring the principles of equal opportunities and non-discrimination are applied on a day-to-day basis in the application of this Nomination Policy and in the Nomination Process.

4.3 This Nomination Policy is enacted under the authority of the IABA Board of Directors and is aligned with Rule 32 of the IABA Rulebook.

4.4 This Nomination Policy may be amended or updated by the IABA where necessary, including in circumstances not expressly covered within these criteria. All amendments must be approved by the IABA Board of Directors and will be communicated in writing to the relevant stakeholders by the IABA.

5 2026 Commonwealth Games Weight Class and Rules

5.1 General

5.1.1 For the avoidance of doubt, the IABA are **not responsible** for the actual selection of an Athlete to Team NI. The CGNI selection committee have sole responsibility for the selection of Athletes, including the allocation of quota places for team inclusion.

5.1.2 Once all eligibility criteria and CGNI requirements are satisfactorily met, and performance criteria has been established, as per the Nomination Process, the IABA will Nominate Athletes to the CGNI for selection.

5.2 Weight Class and rules

5.2.1 Boxing at the 2026 Commonwealth Games will be conducted under the auspices of World Boxing competition rules – available - here and at Schedule 2.

5.2.2 The following weight classes will be available for competition:

Men's Weight Categories			Women's Weight Categories		
	Over	Under		Over	Under
Bantamweight	50kg	55kg	Flyweight	48kg	51kg
Lightweight	55kg	60kg	Bantamweight	51kg	54kg
Welterweight	60kg	65kg	Featherweight	54kg	57kg
Light-middleweight	65kg	70kg	Lightweight	57kg	60kg
Light-heavyweight	75kg	80kg	Welterweight	60kg	65kg
Heavyweight	85kg	90kg	Light-middleweight	65kg	70kg
Super-heavyweight	90kg	-	Middleweight	70kg	75kg

6 Athlete Eligibility

6.1 To be eligible for Nomination to the CGNI for selection to the Northern Ireland Team to the 2026 Commonwealth Games, Athletes must:

6.1.1 complete the 'Expression of Interest' form available on the UBC website.

6.1.2 be a registered member of the IABA, in good standing holding valid and unbroken membership from 01 January 2025 and through to 31 December 2026.

6.1.3 be eligible to represent Northern Ireland under Commonwealth Sport Bye Law 16 – available here and at Schedule 3.

6.1.4 be born in the period 01 January 1986 through to 31 December 2007 inclusive.

6.1.5 be certified as being medically fit to train and/or compete.

6.1.6 have entered into and registered a result at the IABA 2025 Ulster Elite Championships.

6.1.7 be willing to sign the IABA Athlete Nomination Declaration and Agreement – available at Schedule 4.

6.1.8 be willing to sign the CGNI athlete's agreement.

6.1.9 comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the IABA and the World Anti-Doping Agency; and

6.1.10 not be currently disqualified or suspended, or provisionally disqualified or suspended for any reason, by the IABA or under the WADC.

6.2 Athletes who have represented one CGA (or country/territory) at a Commonwealth Games may not represent another unless they have a CWS approved transfer, which usually requires a three-year stand-down period.

7 The Nomination Panel

7.1 Composition

7.1.1 Due consideration will be given to the concept of EDI and the "make-up" of the Nomination Panel, bearing in mind the need to progress Nominations and the Nomination Process within a specified timeframe.

7.1.2 As far as is reasonably practicable the Nomination Panel will, as a minimum, consist of members of different sex and community background.

7.1.3 The Nomination Panel will comprise a minimum of five (5) members from the following list.

(a) The IABA National Performance Director;

(b) The IABA National Head Coach;

(c) The Ulster High Performance Senior Coach;

(d) Two (2) representatives of the Ulster Boxing Council, or persons formally nominated by the Ulster Boxing Council to act in their stead.

7.1.4 If it is not possible to select a balanced Nomination Panel with the appropriate skills, then the IABA may, at its discretion, also appoint independent observers to the Nomination Process.

7.1.5 By virtue of their position, the UBC President and Secretary will be able to attend any stage of the Nomination Process as an ex officio, however participatory rights are limited to that of an observer.

7.1.6 Where possible the same Nomination Panel members will conduct all stages outlined within a Nomination Process for each weight category. If it is unavoidable that the same members cannot be involved throughout the Nomination Process for each weight category, the reasons for change must be documented. This, however, should be the exception rather than normal circumstances.

7.2 Conflicts of Interest

7.2.1 Conflicts of interest within the Nomination Process and the Nomination Panel are managed by the IABA in accordance with established governance standards to ensure fairness, transparency, and integrity in all decisions.

7.2.2 Conflicts may arise where a Nomination Panel member has a direct coaching relationship with an Athlete under consideration, a family or personal connection, or any vested interest that could influence impartial judgment.

7.2.3 All Nomination Panel members are required to declare any potential or perceived Conflicts prior to appointment, and on a continuing basis, including in particular when deliberations take place.

7.2.4 No member of a Nomination Panel will participate in any Nomination where he / she has a Conflict.

7.2.5 Where a Nomination Panel member declares a Conflict, they must recuse themselves from all discussion and decision-making related to that Athlete or weight category.

7.2.6 Where necessary, an independent observer or alternate Nomination Panel member may be appointed to maintain quorum and procedural integrity.

7.2.7 To ensure full accountability and compliance with EDI and IABA governance protocols, all declarations and actions taken will be recorded in the official Nomination Panel minutes.

7.2.8 Where it is alleged that a member or proposed member on the Nomination Panel has a Conflict the IABA Board of Directors will examine each case on its merits and make a decision on the member or proposed member’s continued involvement in a Nomination Panel and/or the Nomination Process.

7.3 Substitutes

7.3.1 Where a substitute Nomination Panel member is required and identified, he / she must receive a full briefing on the Nomination Process stages already completed and that briefing must be documented.

7.4 Voting

7.4.1 Each member of the Nomination Panel for each weight category shall be entitled to one vote only.

7.4.2 All Nomination decisions shall be decided by a simple majority vote amongst Nomination Panel members.

7.5 Training

7.5.1 All Nomination Panel members will receive training on the Nomination Process and selection procedures, and on other appropriate IABA policies and procedures, including EDI best practice.

8 Nomination and the Nomination Process

8.1 Primary Nomination Factors and further appraisal

8.1.1 The IABA prioritises Athlete welfare above all else, and all national and regional team nominations are guided by this principle.

8.1.2 Athletes who are not deemed to be of the required standard to compete safely will not be put forward for Nomination.

8.1.3 The Nomination Panel will have regard to the following primary factors, which will be objectively weighted prior to the Nomination Process commencing and applied uniformly to all Athletes;

(a) Ulster Elite Championships (Commonwealth Games weight category);
(b) International Performance (2024–2025);
(c) Conduct and Behaviour;
(d) Injury and Health Status; and
(e) Weight Management and Athlete Health;

8.1.4 While entering and winning at the 2025 Ulster Elite Championships, at the relevant weight class, will carry significant weighting towards Nomination, it does not guarantee Nomination. The Athlete's performance in this competition only forms part of the assessment in the Nomination Process.

8.1.5 If an Ulster Elite Championships winner is not eligible for Nomination, the next ranked Athlete at the Ulster Elite Championships eligible for nomination will be considered.

8.1.6 An Athlete who sustains an injury during the Ulster Elite Championships and is required to withdraw may still be considered for Nomination. In such cases, the Nomination Panel will assess the Athlete using all other applicable selection factors, and the decision will be fully documented and available for review.

8.1.7 In line with IABA's duty of care, the Nomination Panel reserves the right not to Nominate an Athlete if, in its reasonable opinion, the Athlete's current developmental stage raises concerns from a health and safety perspective. The rationale for not putting forward an Ulster Elite Championships winner for Nomination due to health and safety concerns shall be documented and shared with the Athlete during a scheduled feedback meeting.

8.1.8 Where an Athlete is deemed **not** to be at the appropriate standard for Nomination further opportunities to appraise his or her readiness may be available. Further appraisal opportunities may be offered at the sole discretion of the NPD.

8.1.9 To ensure procedural transparency, where discretionary decisions are made (e.g., regarding further development opportunities), the rationale shall be documented and made available to the Athlete and the Nomination Panel and, if requested, to any subsequent Appeals Panel.

8.1.10 Discretionary decisions on further development opportunities are subject to IABA/UBC existing plans and budgetary constraints and may include, but are not limited to; international sparring camps, bouts, or sparring sessions at the Ulster High Performance Unit.

8.1.11 Where further development opportunities are given to an Athlete, his or her club coach will be allowed to attend these.

8.2 Injury / illness and Medical Assessment

8.2.1 In instances where an Athlete has been subject to further development opportunity and is rehabilitating an injury, the NPD may request a medical certificate from a GP.

8.2.2 A decision by an Athlete not to provide a medical certificate within the specified timeframe will be considered an automatic withdrawal from the Nomination Process.

8.2.3 In instances where an Athlete has been selected for ongoing further development opportunity and is or becomes ill, the onus is on the Athlete to provide the NPD with a medical certificate from a GP.

8.2.4 As part of the Nomination Process or after Nomination is made, an Athlete may be required to undertake an IABA arranged medical assessment to determine fitness, or continued fitness, to perform.

8.2.5 The NPD will communicate with an Athlete in all aspects of medical assessment.

8.3 Confidentiality

8.3.1 Nomination to CGNI does not a guarantee selection to Team NI,

8.3.2 When Athletes and their clubs receive notification of Nomination to the CGNI, they **must not** make any official public announcement to the press or on social media.

8.4 Nomination Process Timeline

8.4.1 January 2026: The Nomination Process will formally open.

8.4.2 January 2026: The Nomination Panel will convene to review eligible Athletes.

8.4.3 Within seven (7) days of the Nomination Panel meeting referred to at 8.4.2 the NPD will notify all eligible Athletes in writing of their provisional status – i.e. whether they are successful or unsuccessful;

8.4.4 January/February 2026: The NPD and NHC will meet individually with Athletes who have not been successful to explain the decision. Athletes may be accompanied by

their club coach. Where appropriate, a development or further appraisal plan may be agreed.

8.4.5 January/February 2026: A provisional Nominations list will be circulated to Athletes. At this stage, a 48-hour appeal window will open in line with the official appeals procedure.

8.4.6 February/March 2026: Following the conclusion of any appeals the Nomination list will be finalised and submitted to CGNI. As a point of information, the CGNI deadline for submissions of Nominated Athletes is June 23rd 2026.

9 Nomination Revocation

Athletes may be withdrawn from Nomination at any stage of the Nomination Process for the following reasons:

9.1.1 Ineligibility:

(a) Where information identifies that an Athlete is not eligible to compete for Northern Ireland, or fails to maintain the eligibility requirements set out in this Nomination Policy, the Athlete may be withdrawn from the Nomination Process

9.1.2 IABA Policies:

(a) Athletes found to be in breach of IABA policies, including this Nomination Policy and the Athlete Code of Conduct, and any other codes of conduct or Athlete agreements may be withdrawn.

9.1.3 Preparation and Training

(a) Where an Athlete's attitude towards training and preparation for the Commonwealth Games is deemed by the designated coaching team as below the standards expected and/or the Athlete fails to participate in scheduled squad training or adhere to their obligations in the Athlete Agreement, the Athlete may be withdrawn from the Nomination Process in accordance with the 'three strikes rule'.

(b) The Athlete Agreement will be provided to the Athlete once Nomination has been completed.

9.1.4 Fitness to perform:

(a) Athletes may, at the discretion of the NPD, be required to undergo a fitness assessment after being Nominated where there are concerns over the Athlete's capability to train and compete to the level required for the Commonwealth Games; or to safely make and maintain weight.

(b) The fitness assessment format will be determined by the Nomination Panel and may include input from medical and coaching staff.

(c) Any Nomination decision, following such a test, will be final.

9.1.5 Anti-doping:

(a) Athletes that are suspended as a result of on-going or concluded anti-doping investigations or charges, will be withdrawn.

10 Appeals

10.1 An Athlete may appeal his or her non-Nomination to an Appeals Panel appointed by the IABA.

10.2 The costs of an Appeal will be borne by the appellant Athlete.

10.3 The only grounds for Appeal are that this Nomination Policy was not properly followed and / or implemented.

10.4 No Appeal can be made on the following grounds;

10.4.1 a decision / recommendation of the Nomination Panel was wrong; and

10.4.2 a decision of a referee and / or judges at the Ulster Elite Championships was wrong.

10.5 Appeal Procedure

An Appeal will generally be conducted on the basis of the written submission of the appellant Athlete and the Nomination Panel's records, and will accord with the following procedure:

10.5.1 The appellant Athlete must submit his or her Appeal in writing to the Ulster Boxing Council Secretary within 48 hours of the Nomination decision being announced or communicated to the successful and unsuccessful Athletes;

10.5.2 A fee of £150.00 must accompany the written Appeal, refundable if the Appeal is upheld; and

10.5.3 The written Appeal must set out a detailed account of the grounds of Appeal including the manner or way the appellant Athlete alleges that this Nomination Policy was not followed. The written Appeal should be as detailed as possible.

10.6 The Appeal Panel

10.6.1 The Ulster Boxing Council will, being mindful of EDI, appoint an Appeal Panel comprising of the following:

(a) A barrister or solicitor who will act as the Chairperson;

(b) A person with a thorough knowledge of amateur boxing; and

(c) A person from another sport who has experience of international selection processes.

10.6.2 No Person is eligible to be appointed to the Appeal Panel if he or she is a member of the Ulster Boxing Council or the Nomination Panel or by reason of any Conflict.

10.6.3 The Appeals Panel may call witnesses or ask for the giving of oral evidence, if it feels it is necessary and in the interests of reaching a decision.

10.7 The Appeal Decision

10.7.1 The Appeal Panel will give its decision as soon as reasonably practicable after considering the evidence.

10.7.2 At the same time, the Appeal Panel will provide the Ulster Boxing Council Secretary, the appellant Athlete and other relevant parties (i.e. the appellant Athlete's club) affected with a written decision.

10.7.3 The decision of the Appeal Panel will be final and binding.

SCHEDULE 1
COMMONWEALTH GAMES NORTHERN IRELAND SELECTION POLICY

Introduction and Purpose

- The purpose of the CGNI Selection Policy: to ensure fairness, transparency, and the selection of athletes capable of achieving *top-8 finishes* at the Commonwealth Games.
- The statement that CGNI makes the final selection, based on nominations submitted by NGBs.

Principles of the Selection Policy

- Core principles of natural justice (fair process, right to appeal, absence of bias).
- Transparency provisions (criteria published in advance, no mid-process rule changes, accountability of NGBs).
- These must be explicitly acknowledged to show that the IABA nomination process complies with CGNI's fairness and transparency standards.

Criteria for Selection

- The ranked criteria used by CGNI when awarding athlete places to NGBs:
    1. Potential 2026 medallist
    2. Potential top-8 finisher
    3. Developmental athlete with top-8 potential for 2030
- Requirement that athletes:
    - Meet CWS eligibility rules
    - Are in good standing with their NGB and WADA
    - Sign the Team Member Agreement

Selection Process

- The procedure for NGBs to nominate athletes and the CGNI Selection Meetings (Rounds 1–3).
- Clarify that:
    - NGBs must develop their own robust nomination process.
    - CGNI's Board makes the final selections based on NGB nominations.
    - A "long list" system exists, but inclusion on it does not guarantee selection.

Appeals Process

- Only the NGB (not individual athletes) can appeal CGNI's allocation of athlete places.
- Appeals must be submitted in writing within 48 hours of notification.
- Outline of the appeals panel composition and reference to Sport Resolutions UK as final arbitrator.

Timescales

- Include only the key deadlines that affect IABA's nomination responsibilities, e.g.:
    - January – March 2026: Round 2 selection meetings
    - May 2026: Round 3 (appeals and final allocation)
    - 23 June 2026: *Athlete nominations close*

SCHEDULE 2
WORLD BOXING COMPETITION RULES

World Boxing Competition Rules – In Force November 2024.

1. Governing Rules

All boxing events at the 2026 Commonwealth Games will be conducted under the World Boxing Competition Rules (November 2024). National Federations and participants must comply fully with these rules. No modification may contradict World Boxing's safety, medical or technical standards.

2. Competition Format

The competition will follow a single-elimination format. Each bout will consist of three (3) rounds of three (3) minutes, with one (1) minute rest between rounds. Men and women will compete in their respective Elite weight categories under the 2025 structure.

3. Weight Categories

(Effective 1 January 2025)

Men: 50 kg, 55 kg, 60 kg, 65 kg, 70 kg, 75 kg, 80 kg, 85 kg, 90 kg, +90 kg

Women: 48 kg, 51 kg, 54 kg, 57 kg, 60 kg, 65 kg, 70 kg, 75 kg, 80 kg, +80 kg

4. Age and Eligibility

Only Elite boxers aged 19–40 are eligible. Boxers must hold the nationality of the country they represent and meet World Boxing's nationality, medical and eligibility standards. A valid medical certificate confirming "fit to box" status is required.

5. Bout Judging and Scoring

All bouts are judged using the Ten-Point Must System by five (5) Judges.

Scoring criteria (in order of importance):

1) Number of scoring blows; 2) Technical and tactical superiority; 3) Competitiveness.

No round may be scored a draw.

6. Referee and Judges

All Referees and Judges must be World Boxing certified. Neutrality is mandatory: officials may not share nationality with either boxer. Referees control the bout using the commands Stop, Box, Break, and Time.

7. Equipment Standards

Gloves, hand wraps, uniforms, gumshields, and the boxing ring must comply with World Boxing specifications. National uniforms must not display political, religious, or unauthorised commercial messages.

8. Medical and Safety Protocols

Ringside doctors have full authority to stop bouts for medical reasons. Daily weigh-ins are mandatory and boxers must make weight on the day they box. A minimum rest period of 12 hours between bouts applies.

9. Anti-Doping and Conduct

All participants are bound by World Boxing's Anti-Doping Rules and Code of Conduct. Unsportsmanlike behaviour, safety breaches or prohibited actions by Seconds will lead to disciplinary measures.

10. Application

Any matters not covered by this summary shall be governed by the full World Boxing Competition Rules (November 2024), available at www.worldboxing.org

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SCHEDULE 3
COMMONWEALTH SPORT BYE LAW 16

16.1 General Principle	An athlete may represent a Commonwealth Games Association (CGA) if they are a *citizen or subject* of the country, territory, or region represented by that CGA, in accordance with the laws of that jurisdiction.
16.2 Dual Nationality	Where an athlete is a citizen or subject of two or more Commonwealth countries or territories, they may represent only one CGA at the Commonwealth Games. Once they have represented one CGA, they may not represent another unless they have been *released* by the first CGA and approved by the Commonwealth Sport (CWS) Executive Board.
16.3 Residency Provision	In exceptional circumstances, an athlete who is not a citizen or subject of a country or territory may represent a CGA if they have been *resident in that country or territory for five (5) years immediately prior to the Games* and have received approval from both the CGA concerned and the CWS Executive Board.
16.4 Change of Representation	An athlete who has previously represented one CGA in the Commonwealth Games or Commonwealth Youth Games may not represent another CGA unless: (a) At least *four (4) years* have elapsed since their last representation; and (b) They have obtained *written consent* from the former CGA and *approval* from the CWS Executive Board.
16.5 Other Competitions	Participation in non-Commonwealth competitions under a different flag or team name does not automatically disqualify an athlete; however, the CWS reserves the right to review eligibility on a *case-by-case basis*.
16.6 Verification	The CWS Executive Board retains ultimate authority to determine the eligibility of any athlete, and its decision is *final and binding*. All required documentation (passport, citizenship, or residency evidence) must be provided by the CGA prior to nomination.
16.7 Compliance	All athletes and CGAs must comply with the CWS Constitution and Bye-Laws. Any misrepresentation or failure to provide accurate eligibility documentation may result in disqualification of the athlete and sanctions against the CGA.

SCHEDULE 4
IABA ATHLETE NOMINATION DECLARATION AND AGREEMENT

1. Purpose

This Declaration and Agreement forms part of the Commonwealth Games Northern Ireland Nomination process. It confirms the athlete's understanding of the nomination requirements and their commitment to comply with the rules, standards, and codes governing participation in the Commonwealth Games.

2. Athlete Declaration

By signing this Declaration, the athlete confirms that they:

(a) Have read and understood the IABA Nomination Policy and all attached Schedules;

(b) Meet all eligibility and selection criteria as defined by the IABA, CGNI, and CWS Bye-Law 16;

(c) Understand that nomination does not guarantee final selection to Team Northern Ireland, which rests with the CGNI;

(d) Will comply with all applicable World Boxing Competition Rules and the IABA Code of Conduct;

(e) Agree to maintain the highest standards of behaviour, integrity, and professionalism throughout the nomination and selection process;

(f) Are not subject to any anti-doping suspension or pending disciplinary matter.

3. Athlete Undertakings

The athlete agrees to:

(a) Attend all required training sessions, selection events, and medical evaluations;

(b) Maintain communication with the IABA Performance/Coaching Team regarding training status, injury, or illness;

(c) Submit any information requested by the IABA to verify eligibility;

(d) Abide by all IABA, CGNI, and Commonwealth Sport policies, including Safeguarding, Anti-Doping, and Social Media guidelines;

(e) Wear only approved IABA and Team NI apparel and equipment at official events.

4. Consent and Acknowledgement

The athlete acknowledges that:

(a) All information provided is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge;

(b) Providing false or misleading information may result in removal from the nomination process;

(c) The IABA reserves the right to withdraw a nomination if new information affects eligibility or conduct status;

(d) Media rights and official imagery remain the property of the IABA and CGNI for promotional purposes.

5. Data Protection

The IABA will collect, store, and process the athlete's personal information solely for the purposes of administering nominations, selection, and participation in the Commonwealth Games. All data will be handled in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the IABA Privacy Policy.

6. Declaration of Agreement

I confirm that I have read and understood this Declaration and Agreement and agree to be bound by its terms. I understand that nomination by the IABA does not guarantee selection to the Commonwealth Games Team Northern Ireland, which is determined by the CGNI.

7. Athlete Signature

Athlete Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

8. IABA Witness

Name: _____

Role/Position: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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