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2025 National Elite Competition

- Venue:** Girdwood Community Hub, 10 Girdwood Avenue, Belfast, Antrim, BT14 6EG
- Dates:** June 1st to 6th, dependent upon entries
- Entries:** A **non-refundable** entry fee of **€20** applies, including in the event of a boxer withdrawal. Online entry, via the Blocworx portal, is open until 5pm sharp, on **Friday, May 23rd**. All fees must be paid by 5pm on May 23rd. Only boxers for whom entries have been completed and entry fees have been received will be allowed to box.

This event is not an Elite Championships. This Elite Competition is taking place in consideration of selection for the World Boxing World Championships, taking September 4-14, 2025. Given the time available for preparation and selection of athletes to contest the World Boxing World Championships, entry to this Elite Competition is considered an explicit statement by the boxer of their injury-free status, their fitness to compete and their preparedness to compete. It is on that basis that all entrants to the competition will be required to compete in order to be considered for selection for the World Boxing World Championships.

All competitors must sign and return the Declaration on page 4 of this circular to performance@iaba.ie and secretary@iaba.ie by close of entry in order to be considered for selection

Affiliated clubs wishing to enter boxers into the competition must log-in to their Blocworx portal, using their unique username and password. Clubs who have not retained their username or password following the completion of their affiliation for the 2024/2025 season can contact IABA staff, Sally Ann Kinch sally@iaba.ie or Ciara Plunkett, ciara@iaba.ie

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Draw: **Tuesday, May 27th**, National Stadium Dublin
Only boxers entered through the Blocworx portal for whom fees are fully paid will be included in the draw.

Membership & Eligibility

All clubs are on notice of IABA Rule 6.5.i: “*A club shall not include in its list of members the name of any person who is a member of any other club unless dual membership has been specially authorised by the IABA*”; Accordingly, any club making an entry to the 2025 National Elite Competition affirms that the entrant is not a member of any other club, in any jurisdiction
Sport nationality eligibility is outlined in World Boxing’s Competition Rules, 2.3 & 2.4

In addition:

- 5.1.3. National Federations will ensure that their Boxers compete in World Boxing Competitions under the correct Sport Nationality, in accordance with these Rules.
- 5.1.4. National Federations are responsible to ensure the health, fitness and skill levels of the Boxers and other Team Members are sufficient to participate in World Boxing Competitions

Weigh-in and Medical:

- Boxers will weigh daily on the days they box.
- Boxing Record books will be presented by the boxer at their initial weigh-in.

Weigh-in Times:

Daily: 8:00 to 9:00am
Boxing: Times will be contingent on entries and shall be announced after the draw.
Duration: Duration of rounds: Men & Women 3 x 3 Minutes
Age Requirements: Boxers born 1985 to 2006, inclusive.

Weights:

Men: 50kg, 55kg, 60kg, 65kg, 70kg, 75kg, 80kg, 85kg, 90kg, 90+kg
Women: 48kg, 51kg, 54kg, 57kg, 60kg, 65kg, 70kg, 75kg, 80kg, 80+kg

Non-Pregnancy Declarations forms must be signed by the boxer

Gumshields: Red/orange/pink or variations of these colours are not allowed.

Hair Must be tied back, and swimming hats or hairnets should be worn under the headgear for boxers with long hair.

Anti-Doping: Boxers must provide details of any medication they are taking or have taken in the preceding 4 weeks. Anti-Doping may be carried out at any stage of the competition.

Attention is called to the stipulation in the IABA Rule book that each boxer presented by his/her club shall be fit to box. This is the responsibility of the club.

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Coach Registration: via secretary@iaba.ie

Only registered coaches will be allowed to enter the field of play and/or changing rooms. Coach registration will be cross-checked against stated qualifications and Garda Vetting/Access NI checks. Any registered coaches who do not have current Garda Vetting/Access NI checks will not be permitted to sit at corner and/or to enter the changing rooms. Fundamental coaches will be permitted to do No. 2.

Attire: Coaches **must** wear tracksuits and runners in their corners at all sessions and set a high standard of hygiene. **No shorts, caps or hats are allowed.**

Boxers **may not** wear international kit - boxers may wear club kit, only.

- As the 2025 National Elite Competition form is a factor for team selection for international competition, all entrants must hold a current up to date Irish passport, with at least 6 months remaining to expiry. Please note that boxers born in Northern Ireland may choose to identify themselves as Irish or British or both in accordance with the provisions of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (more commonly known as the Good Friday Agreement).
- Any misbehaviour or misuse of social media in a negative manner from members of any club relating to a boxer/coach/official will be referred to the IABA Discipline Officer under the IABA Complaints and Discipline Code, communicated to all clubs on May 17th 2024.
- **N.B.** It is a condition of entry that all boxers and their clubs have signed and submitted the Members Acknowledgement Form and it is the responsibility of the entering unit that this stipulation is complied with.
- As this is a Competition and not a Championship, boxer entered are still eligible to Box as an Intermediate Boxer.

Sportsmanship: All decisions must be accepted in a sporting manner. Any complaints must be addressed to the Chief Official, National Registrar Mr. Stephen Connolly. Please show respect to all Ringside Officials

Yours in Sport,

Tara Mari



***Hon Secretary,
Irish Athletic Boxing Association***

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2025 NATIONAL ELITE COMPETITION DECLARATION

This Declaration must be signed by boxers competing in the 2025 National Elite Competition, June 1st to 6th, and returned to National Performance Director Jon Mackey (performance@iaba.ie) and National Secretary Tara Mari (secretary@iaba.ie) by 5pm on May 23rd

I, _____, of _____ Boxing Club competing in the 2025 Elite Competition, through which I may be nominated for selection to contest the 2025 World Boxing World Championship, September 4th-14th declare that I have read, understood and will abide by the following:

- i. I acknowledge and affirm that all boxers entering the 2025 Elite Competition are required to compete.
- ii. I acknowledge and affirm that the submission by my club of an entry to this competition on my behalf is an explicit statement of my injury-free status, my fitness to compete and my preparedness to compete
- iii. I understand that, following my entry to this tournament, should I become unavailable to compete, I will not be considered for selection to contest the 2025 World Boxing World Championship,
- iv. I understand that winning at 2025 Elite Competition does not guarantee selection.
- v. I understand that selection is at the ultimate discretion of the High Performance Selection Panel.

Print name: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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