



Competition Format and Rules

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Youth Olympic Competition Format

The Boxing competition at the Summer Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 is organised as a direct elimination competition with 9 men's and 4 women's events.

Men's weight categories	Women's weight categories
Fly (49-52kg)	Fly (48-51kg)
Bantam (56kg)	Feather (54-57kg)
Light (60kg)	Light (57-60kg)
Light Welter (64kg)	Middle (69-75kg)
Welter (69kg)	
Middle (75kg)	
Light Heavy (81kg)	
Heavy (91kg)	
Super Heavy (+91kg)	

Men's competition

Boxers compete in three round bouts, each round lasting three minutes, with a one minute rest period between the rounds.

The best two qualified boxers are seeded and will compete first in the Preliminary Round 2. There is a random draw for the four other boxers (unseeded) for the Preliminary Round 1. The winners of the Preliminary Round 1 will progress to the Semifinals; the losers will box against the seeded boxers in the Preliminary Round 2. The winners of the Preliminary Round 2 will progress to the Semifinals; the losers will box for fifth place. The losers of the Semifinal bouts will compete for the bronze medal, and the winners will advance to the final bout. The winner is awarded the gold medal and the loser the silver medal.

There will be six boxers in each category. Only one boxer per weight category per NOC is permitted.

Women's competition

Boxers compete in three round bouts, each round lasting three minutes, with a one minute rest period between the rounds.

No boxers are seeded and there is a random draw for all boxers into the Preliminary round. The winners of each bout progress to the following phase. The losers of the Semifinal bouts will compete for the bronze medal, and the winners will advance to the final bout. The winner is awarded the gold medal and the loser the silver medal.

There will be seven boxers in each category. Only one boxer per weight category per NOC is permitted.

Differences between the AIBA Youth World Championships and the Summer Youth Olympic Games

There are no differences in the format or rules. The AIBA Youth World Championships field contains more competitors due to the different quotas for NOC participation.

Unlike at the Olympic Games where the two semifinalists are awarded bronze medals, there will be a bronze medal bout staged at the Summer Youth Olympic Games.

Changes since the Summer Youth Olympic Games Nanjing 2014

A new method of calculating the scores has been introduced. This scoring is now based on the 10 points must system.

In Men's competition, there are 9 weight categories instead of 10. In preliminaries there are two rounds, Preliminary Round 1 and Preliminary Round 2.



In Women's competition, there are 4 weight categories instead of 3. A bout consists of three rounds of three minutes each, instead of four rounds of two minutes each. There is no bout for fifth place. There are 7 boxers instead of 6 in each weight category.

Sport Rules and Procedures

Gloves, Bandages, Headguards, Gumshields (Teeth protectors)

In order to protect boxers from injuries, the AIBA rules require boxers to wear gloves weighing 10 ounces (284 grammes), a bandage not longer than 4.5 metres and not shorter than 2.5 metres on each hand, gumshields and AIBA approved headguards.

Weigh-In and Medical Examination

On each day of competition there is a Weigh-In and Medical Examination of all boxers competing on that day.

Judging and Scoring Format

The scoring system will be based on a "Ten Point Must System". The five judges for each bout will be allocated in a position around the ring in accordance with electronic draw. At the end of each round, each Judge must determine the winning boxer of that round by awarding a score of ten points and by awarding nine or less points - down to seven - to the losing boxer, depending on the judgment as to the degree to which the opponent lost the round. Every round must have a declared winner. The scores of all five Judges will be counted in determining the winning boxer.

Possible decisions for the win will be as follows: Win on Points (WP), Referee Stops Contest (RSC), Referee Stops Contest - Injury (RSC-I), Knockout (KO), Walkover (WO), Disqualification (DSQ), Abandon (ABD).

Tie Break Rules

In the event that the total scores awarded by each Judge, including any deduction, are equal at the end of the bout the Judges will be requested to nominate which boxer is the winner of the bout in their opinion in the following cases:

- One Judge has even scores, and the total scores of the other four judges are evenly split, or
- Two Judges have even scores and the other three (3) judges do not score unanimously, or
- Three or more Judges have even scores.

Fouls

If a boxer receives a referee's warning, the AIBA Event Delegate will record the warning in the scoring system and each warning will reduce the total score of the offending boxer by one point per Judge. The third warning in a bout will automatically disqualify the boxer.

The most typical types of fouls that are sanctioned are: Hitting below the belt, holding, tripping, kicking and head butting. The complete list of fouls is available on the AIBA website.