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The Olympic Council of Ireland ("OCI ") and the Irish Amateur Boxing Association ("the National Federation") agree the following nomination and selection standards and procedures for the selection of athletes for the 2012 Olympic Summer Games in London (the "Olympic Games") for the sport of Boxing.

The parties acknowledge and agree that the standards and procedures set out in this Agreement may exceed those stipulated by the International Olympic Committee ("IOC") the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) and the International Boxing Association (AIBA) ("International Federation")

Accordingly, the parties agree that an athlete or team will not be considered eligible for selection as a member of the Irish Olympic Team for the Olympic Summer Games, even though he/she may have achieved the standard stipulated by the International Federation and/or the IOC, unless he/she fulfils the relevant criteria and/or achieves the relevant standard(s) pursuant to and in accordance with this Agreement.

IT IS AGREED THAT:

1. OCI Selection

1.1. The parties acknowledge that under Paragraph 3 of Rule 28 of the Olympic Charter the OCI has the exclusive power for the selection and participation of the Irish Olympic Team at the Olympic Summer Games. The parties further acknowledge that under Paragraph 2.1 of the Bye-law to Rules 28 and 29 of the Olympic charter, the OCI is required to constitute, organise and lead its delegation at the Olympic Games and that the OCI has the exclusive power in accordance with that Bye-law, to "decide upon the entry of athletes proposed by their respective national federations. The National Olympic Committees (NOCs) must ensure that the entries proposed by the national federations comply in all respects with the provisions of the Olympic Charter".

1.2. Under paragraph 2.3 of the bye-law to Rules 28 and 29 - They NOC have the sole and exclusive authority to prescribe and determine the clothing and uniforms to be worn, and the equipment to be used, by the members of their delegations on the occasion of the Olympic Games and in connection with all sports competitions and ceremonies related therto.

This exclusive authority does not extend to specialised equipment used by athletes of their delegations during the actual sports competitions. For the purposes of this rule, specialised equipment shall be limited to such equipment acknowledged by the Olympic Council of Ireland as having a material effect on the performance of athletes, due to the specialised characteristics of the equipment. Any publicity in respect of any such specialised equipment must be submitted to the Olympic Council of Ireland for approval if there is any reference, express or implied, to the Olympic Games.

1.3. In accordance with its exclusive authority, the OCI reserves the right to require any individual nominated by the National Federation to undergo a medical examination carried out under the control of the OCI Chief Medical Officer (and/or his/her appointed representative) at any time prior to, or during the Olympic Games to determine an individual's medical fitness to perform to the best of his/her ability at the Olympic Games and/or to determine whether or not an individual has breached any of the rules contained in or referred to under the Olympic Charter or the Team Member's Agreement in force at the time.

1.4. If, pursuant to and in accordance with the results of any such medical examination, the Chief Medical Officer considers in his/her reasonable opinion that an individual nominated and/or selected for the Olympic Games is not physically fit to perform and/or has breached any of the rules referred to in the Team Members' Agreement, the OCI may at its absolute discretion not select or may de-select such an individual.

1.5. The parties agree that pursuant to and in accordance with the OCI 's exclusive authority, the OCI may at its absolute discretion refuse to select an individual nominated by the National Federation for selection to the Team.

1.6. The OCI agrees to notify the National Federation of its selection or refusal to select any nominated athlete as soon as reasonably practicable after the OCI receives the National Federation's relevant nomination.

1.7. No Team Member's selection will be ratified by the OCI until all relevant documentation and required procedures are fully completed.

2. National Federation Nominations

2.1. The National Federation agrees to submit to the OCI its nomination of any individual(s) or team(s) eligible for consideration under clause 3 below within the relevant deadlines set out in clause 9 below.

2.2. The National Federation agrees to provide the OCI with all such relevant documentation, including official results and ranking listings as the OCI may require in order to verify the eligibility of any individual so nominated by the National Federation at the time of nomination.

3. Eligibility for Consideration

3.1. The parties agree that they shall not consider any individual or team eligible to participate as a member of the Irish Olympic Team at the Olympic Games (the "Team") unless he/she/ they have achieved or exceeded, as agreed with the OCI, the relevant qualification method or standard as set out by their International Federation and agreed with the IOC and the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) and complies with the nationality requirements as set out in the Olympic Charter and to provide the relevant information to the OCI.

3.2. The National Federation agrees that it shall not nominate any individual whose form and/or consistency does not merit nomination. Further, the National Federation agrees to monitor, and if necessary test, an athlete on an ongoing basis in order to ensure his/her current form is of a standard to perform at the Olympic Games.

3.3. The National Federation shall not nominate any athlete who is the subject of an anti-doping ban.

3.4. The National Federation shall inform the OCI immediately of the results of any anti-doping test of any athlete who is on the long list submitted to the OCI.

3.5. The National Federation shall not submit nominations for athletes who have received Tripartite (IOC/ANOC/IF) invitations, re-allocated places or wildcards or who have achieved qualification by means other than that described in the IOC/ANOC/IF qualification system and in this agreement.

4. Close of Nominations to the OCI

4.1. The closing date of the nominations to the OCI of athletes for the sport of Boxing is 15th June 2012.

5. Appeals

5.1. The National Federation shall have an appeals process available to Team member's and have submitted same to the OCI no later than 20th May 2011. Any internal appeals process must be concluded prior to nomination to the OCI.

5.2. Appeals to the OCI may be heard by the OCI Executive Committee or a sub-committee appointed by the Executive Committee for that purpose. It is agreed by the parties that the decision of the OCI is final.

6. Team Members Agreement

6.1. Each team member is required to sign the OCI's Team Members Agreement.

6.2. Failure to sign this agreement will prevent entry to the Olympic Games.

7. The Announcement of Team Selection

7.1. The National Federation agrees not to disclose any nominated athlete's name to the press or any other media until the OCI have selected the team member for the London Olympic Games and announced it to the press and other media.

7.2. The National Federation further agrees not to make any announcement to the press or other media in any form relating to any individual or team selected or proposed to be selected by the OCI as a member of the Team unless any such announcement is made jointly by the OCI and the National Federation under the OCI 's management and control.

7.3. The parties agree that no commercial organisation shall be involved in any way in any publicity or advertising at any such joint OCI and National Federation announcement other than one or more of the OCI 's sponsors and/or commercial partners.

8. Communication of Information

8.1. The National Federation shall circulate the information contained in this agreement and its Schedule(s) to the athletes, team managers, coaches and other relevant individuals within its sport and shall procure their compliance with it.

8.2. The OCI and the National Federation shall publish this agreement and its schedule on their websites.

8.3. The OCI shall issue the agreement to all National Federations.

8.4. The NF shall publish this agreement subsequent to the OCI doing so.

8.5. The NF shall indemnify the OCI for any loss or damage suffered by it as a result of or in connection with the nomination procedure other than those arising from the OCI's negligence.

9. **Advance Information**

9.1. Prior to 20th May 2011 the National Federation must submit their selection policy of Athletes for the Olympics for recommendation to the Olympic Council of Ireland and the approval of the Olympic Council of Ireland.

9.2. Prior to 20th May 2011 the National Federation are required to submit their "fit to perform policy for approval by the Olympic Council of Ireland"

10. Key Deadlines

26th January 2011.
The 'Long List' of all potential team members to be submitted by NF and received by the OCI.

27th January 2012
Revised (Short) list to be submitted by National Federation and received by the OCI.

15th June 2012
National Federation nominations to be received by the OCI with all supporting information for selection.

Signed by:

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President
For and on behalf of
Olympic Council of Ireland

Signed by

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Boxing Association

Date: 11-1-2011

Date: 29/10/2010

Appendix 1

INTERNATIONAL BOXING ASSOCIATION

Boxing

A. Events (13)

MEN'S EVENTS (10)	WOMEN'S EVENTS (3)
Light Fly (46 to 49kg) Fly (up to 52kg) Bantam (up to 56kg) Light (up to 60kg) Light Welter (up to 64kg) Welter (up to 69kg) Middle (up to 75kg) Light Heavy (up to 81kg) Heavy (up to 91kg) Super Heavy (+91kg)	Fly (48 to 51kg) Light Welter (57 to 60kg) Light Heavy (69 to 75kg)

B. Quota

	QUALIFICATION	TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES	HOST COUNTRY PLACES	TOTAL
Men	237	8	5	250
Women	24	11	1	36
TOTAL	**261**	**19**	**6**	**286**

	QUOTA PER NOC
Men	10 (1 athlete per event)
Women	3 (1 athlete per event)
TOTAL	**13**

C. Athlete Eligibility

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY
All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force and only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games. Boxers must be born between 1 January 1978 and 31 December 1995. Only boxers who have competed at one of the Qualifying events are eligible to compete. All boxers must satisfy the nationality and medical requirements to compete according to the AIBA Technical and Competition rules.

D. Qualification System

QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

MEN

5 Places	**World Series of Boxing (WSB) Individual Championships** All WSB boxers will be ranked through the result of the entire WSB team competition. Only top #1 and #2 ranked boxers will be qualified to compete at the WSB Individual Championships after the team competitions have been completed. The WSB individual Championships will consist of 5 matches in the 5 WSB weight categories. The 5 winners of the WSB Individual Championships obtain a quota place for the London 2012 Olympic Games. Due to the difference of the weight categories between the Olympic Games and WSB competitions, the WSB boxers will have to inform AIBA on the weight category in which they will compete in the London 2012 Olympic Games.
92 Places	**2011 AIBA Men's World Boxing Championship** Within the quota awarded to each of the continents (see table below), the top ten (10) boxers from different NOCs in each weight category (except only the top six (6) in Heavy and Super Heavy Weight Categories) at the AIBA Men World Boxing Championships will obtain a quota place for the London 2012 Olympic Games. **Quota per continent**
140 Places	**Continental Olympic Qualifying Event** One (1) Continental Olympic Qualifying Event will be organized per continent. The remaining number of quota places for each continent will be allocated to the best ranked boxers according to the quota table below. **Quota per continent**

Continent	Quota
Africa	52
America	54
Asia	56
Europe	78
Oceania	10

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WOMEN

24 Places	**2012 AIBA Women World Boxing Championships** Within the quota awarded to each of the continents (see table below), the top eight (8) boxers from different NOCs in each weight category at the 2012 AIBA Women World Boxing Championships will obtain a quota place. **Quota per continent**

Continent	Quota
Africa	5
America	8
Asia	8
Europe	12
Oceania	3

HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION

A maximum of six (6) places (5 for Men athletes and 1 for Women athlete) will be reserved for the Host Country. Until the Host Country decides in which weight classes it would like to enter its athletes, AIBA will reserve a place in each of the weight categories, except in the Heavy weight and Super heavy weight categories.

The Host Country must select the weight categories in which it would like its six (6) places after the respective AIBA World Boxing Championships. For Men, this selection must be done prior to the European Continental Olympic Qualifying Event.

For each place gained by a boxer from the Host Country at the AIBA World Boxing Championships, the Host Country will lose a reserved place.

If the Host Country has not already qualified or nominated six (6) boxers following the AIBA World Boxing Championships, they may send athletes to the European Continental Olympic Qualifying Event to compete in the categories where they have not already qualified or nominated boxers.

TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES

19 Tripartite Commission Invitation Places are made available for eligible NOCs.

On 1 November 2011, the International Olympic Committee will contact all those NOCs who are eligible to apply for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places.

The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places is 16 January 2012. In relation to the end of the qualification period, the Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the respective NOCs between 1 May and 9 July 2012.

Detailed information on Tripartite Invitation places is contained in the – Tripartite Commission Invitation Places - Information Paper for NOCs – which is included in the Games of the XXX Olympiad, London 2012 Qualification and Participation Criteria.

E. Confirmation process for quota places

CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

At the conclusion of each qualifying event, the names of athletes who have gained qualification places will be communicated by AIBA to each NOC.

Following AIBA's notification of qualification places, NOCs must confirm their use of the qualified places to AIBA within two weeks.

F. Reallocation of unused quota places

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED IF QUOTA PLACES
Should an NOC which obtained a quota place through the WSB individual championships decides not to use it, the quota place will be reallocated by the Tripartite Commission. If for any reason an NOC decides not to use a quota place obtained during the AIBA World Championships, the place will be reallocated to the best ranked NOC from the same continent (based on the results of the Continental Olympic Qualifying Event). If an NOC decides not to use a quota place obtained during the Continental Olympic Qualifying Event, the place will be reallocated by the Tripartite Commission.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES
Any unused Host Country place(s) within the reserved quota of places will be reallocated by the Tripartite Commission

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES
Any unused places within the reserved quota of places will be reallocated by the Tripartite Commission. Should the Tripartite Commission not be able to assign the places, the quota place will be allocated to the next best ranked athlete at the 2011 AIBA Men's World Boxing Championship, not yet qualified.

G. Qualification Timeline

DATE	MILESTONE
May 2011	WSB Individual Championships
September 2011	AIBA Men World Championships (Busan, Korea)
October 2011	AIBA to confirm to NOCs the quota allocation for each Continental Olympic Qualifying Events
1 November 2011	IOC will contact all NOCs who are eligible to apply for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places
16 January 2012	Deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Invitation Commission Places
March 2012 – April 2012	Continental Qualifying Events (locations to be confirmed)
May 2012	AIBA Women World Championships (location to be confirmed)
1 May – 9 July 2012	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of Invitation Places to NOCs
9 July 2012	Deadline for London 2012 Organising Committee to receive entry forms