



## 2009 ARMED FORCES MEN'S BOXING CHAMPIONSHIP (WOMEN'S –Exhibition)

1. **COMPETITION RULES:** Current USA Boxing Rules, as amended by the Armed Forces Sports Council (AFSC). **All Boxers must be in the Open Classification as specified by USA Boxing. Participants must have a minimum number of (5) sanctioned bouts in USA Boxing Passbook to participate at a national or international qualifier (Armed Forces Championship is a National and International Qualifier)**
2. **TOURNAMENT FORMAT:** Single elimination. USA Boxing sanctioned.
3. **WEIGHT CLASSES:** 106lbs (48kg); 112lbs (51kg); 119lbs (54kg); 125lbs (57kg); 132lbs (60kg); 141lbs (64kg); 152lbs (69kg); 165lbs (75kg); 178lbs (81kg); 201lbs (91kg); 201lbs + (91kg +).
4. **SCORING:** Electronic.
5. **DRAW PROCEDURES:** A blind draw is used. No boxer will be present at the draw. Service Representative must be present for the draw.
6. **SCHEDULED WEIGH-INS AND PHYSICALS:** Weigh-ins and physicals are supervised by the Tournament Director. **Service reps must attend initial weigh-in.**
7. **TIE-BREAKER PROCEDURES:** IAW current USA Boxing Rules.
8. **EQUIPMENT:** IAW current USA Boxing Rules. All competitive gloves must be thumbless or thumb-attached.
9. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

Day One	0900-1600	Teams Arrive
Day Two	0700	Weigh-ins and physicals for boxers competing in the 106, 119, 132, 152, 178, and 201 + weight classes
	0900	Organizational Meeting (Draw)
	1100	Team photos and opening ceremony practice (as required)
	1200	Training

Day Three 1830 Opening Ceremony (Optional). However, the National Anthem must be played prior to the start of each night's bouts. If flags are posted, all five Service flags must be posted  
1900 Bouts Commence  
**Box lunches will be provided to evening competitors.**

Day Four 0700 Weigh-ins and physicals for boxers competitions in the 112, 125, 141, 165, and 201 weight classes  
1900 Bouts Commence  
**Box lunches will be provided to evening competitors.**

Day Five **Free Day**  
0700 Weigh-ins for all finalists  
1730 Informal Ice Breaker

Note: Team members attending the Informal Ice Breaker are required to wear their service polo shirt with slacks (color determined by Service). Male personnel cannot wear earrings.

Day Six 1900 Bouts Commence (Individual awards presented after each bout)

**Team Awards Ceremony** - (Following the final bout) Service teams are required to wear like-Service issued team apparel or competitive uniforms at the awards ceremony. Individual athletes who do not comply will not receive awards or be selected to the Armed Forces team. If the Awards Ceremony is conducted in conjunction with the Informal Ice Breaker, then all Service Members must comply with Ice Breaker dress policy.

**Box lunches will be provided to evening competitors.**

Day Seven Teams Depart

**10. TEAM STANDINGS:** The following point system will be used to determine team standings:

- A. Winner of a finals bout – 2 points
- B. Winner of a semifinals bout – 1 point

Note: One (1) point will be awarded regardless of the method of winning (Exception: Bye round winners will receive one (1) point only if the boxer wins the next bout). In the event of a point tie for the first place team position, the service having the greatest number of gold medalists, earned through competition in the ring, will be the winner. If a tie still exists, then the service with the greatest number of silver medalists will determine the position. No points will be awarded in a weight class where no bout is boxed.

**11. AWARDS:**

A. Individual: Awards are given to the champion and runner-up of each weight class.

B. Team Award: Individuals awards are given to each member of the first place and second place teams (to include the team trainer/doctor and Team Captain).

**12. TEAM COMPOSITION - ARMED FORCES CHAMPIONSHIP:**

Roster not to exceed 15 individuals:

11 Boxers

1 Coach

1 Asst Coach

1 Certified Trainer/Doctor

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**13. TEAM COMPOSITION FOR CISM:** As follows or as dictated by host country invitation:

11 Boxers

1 Coach

1 Asst Coach

1 Team Captain

1 Certified Team Trainer/Doctor

1 Chief of Mission

2 Technical Committee Members

2 AIBA Referees

TOTAL: 20

**Coach Selection Policy:** The Head Coach for the Armed Forces Team will be the overall winning Head Coach of the Armed Forces Championship. The Assistant Coach of the Armed Forces Team will be the overall second place Head Coach of the Armed Forces Championship. If the winning coach is not available, the second place team coach will serve as the Head Coach of the Armed Forces Team. Service Reps will vote on the Assistant Coach or for both positions, if neither the first nor second place coaches are available.

**14. ATHLETE ADVANCEMENT TO HIGHER LEVEL:** A gold medalist advances to higher level competition. If the gold medalist is not available, the silver medalist advances. If neither gold nor silver medalist is available, the weight class will not be filled unless the AFSWG votes on an exception to policy to allow another qualified athlete to substitute. All athletes advancing to higher level competition should have competed at the Armed Forces Championship, but can be considered if the gold or silver medalist is unavailable on a case by case basis. **Any Service boxer, who wins a Gold Medal without having boxed at the Armed Forces championship, will be assessed at the Nationals, to ascertain his competitiveness for CISM.**

**15. REGULATIONS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL COMPETING IN ALL COMPETITIONS:**

A. Boxing Restriction – A boxer is limited to one bout per day. This restriction applies to military boxers competing in military, Golden Gloves, Nationals, and all other “boxing event”.

B. Boxing competitions are referred to as “Boxing Events” or “Boxing Show” rather than “Fights” or “Smoker”. Advertising should promote the healthy spirit of an athletic competition in the vein of the Olympic status the sport of amateur boxing enjoys. The primary emphasis in every situation will focus on the safety of the competitors.

C. Organizers of events involving military boxers are required to retain and be familiar with the contents of current copies of four publications promulgated by the USA Boxing Federation, Inc. (USA Boxing), which is the national governing body for boxing. The publications required are: the Official Rules; the Physicians Ringside Manual; and the introduction to Olympic Boxing Pamphlet. The address to order from USA boxing is One Olympic Plaza, Colorado Springs, CO 80909-5776. There is a nominal charge for these publications. The rules and guidelines must be followed except as amended in the document.

D. All personnel (competitors, coaches, referees and physicians) are required to attend at least one pre-competition meeting or clinic. The purpose is to review concepts contained in the Safety Awareness Manual and to explain procedures specific to the event. Additionally, at this meeting competitors who have little or no experience will be given basic instructions on the principles of self-defense and the rules of the sport.

E. Organizers are encouraged to assist coaches, referees, and judges in attending clinics and workshops offered through USA Boxing or respective Services. The knowledge obtained will reflect in the quality of future events and proficiency and safety of participating athletes.

F. As contained in the Official Rules, only a medical Doctor or Doctor of Osteopathy may perform pre-competition physical examinations or attend at ringside during the event. Physical examinations are mandatory for each competitor on the day he is scheduled to box. Any boxer complaining of headache symptoms will not be permitted to box in the subsequent event. Medical officers providing support must be familiar with and meet the requirements of the Physician's Ringside Manual.

The professional qualifications of these medical officers should at least include current competency in the emerging treatment of head trauma, management of traumatic injury, certification in advanced cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and experience in the transport of an unstable patient. The ready availability of sophisticated diagnostic and neurosurgical care must be identified and contingency plans for access developed.

G. Gloves worn will be either thumbless or thumb-attached of a design currently approved by USA Boxing. Glove weight is specified by USA Boxing. Headgear must also meet USA Boxing specifications and will be worn by boxers regardless if competition on base or in civilian venues and including all sparring sessions. Mouth pieces must be custom made and individually fitted. Groin protectors must meet USA Boxing specifications and must be worn at all times during competition and sparring. The breast protector (for women boxers) must be well fitted and not interfere with the boxer's ability to box.

H. Boxing events will consist of bouts lasting no more than four rounds. Each round is not to exceed two minutes.

I. Assistance in obtaining referees, judges, timers, etc., may be possible at U.S. locations by contacting the Local Boxing Committee within whose territorial limit the event is held. Also, in the event qualified medical support is not available in the military, organizers must obtain support from outside sources.

J. In summary strict adherence to these regulation is essential to provide the best possible environment in which to conduct a safe boxing program.

**16. FORMS AND ROSTERS: All Higher Level Advancement forms and Service Team Rosters for the Armed Forces Championship must be turned into the Host Project Officer at the Organizational Meeting.**

**17. ALCOHOL POLICY:** There will be no alcohol consumption at the sports venue by personnel involved in the Armed Forces Sports competition, including sports staff, until all competition for the day has been completed to include the award ceremony on the final day. The venue is defined as the playing area and the assigned seating/spectator area. More restrictive installation policies in regards to alcohol will take precedence.