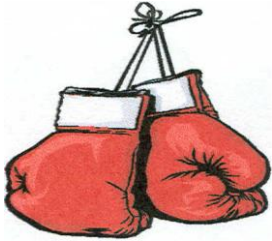
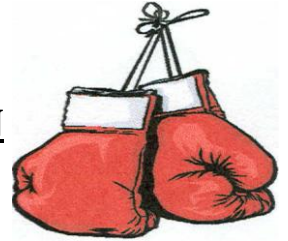


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**NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BOXING ASSOCIATION**



**THE CONSTITUTION**

**ARTICLE I**  
**NAME AND JURISDICTION**

This organization shall be known as the National Collegiate Boxing Association (N.C.B.A.). Its jurisdiction shall consist of all member colleges and universities in the United States and the District of Columbia. The N.C.B.A. is a group member of USA Boxing, Inc. This organization agrees to abide by all USA Boxing official rules, regulations, and policies, unless otherwise outlined in the N.C.B.A. Constitution and Bylaws and/or rules, which are approved by USA Boxing.

**ARTICLE II**  
**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

“The National Collegiate Boxing Association (NCBA) seeks to facilitate safe and educational boxing experience for college students. NCBA programs are intended for novice boxers in order to provide learning experiences which complement academic work. Rules which prohibits boxer from competing and restrictions on recruiting and scholarships encourage schools to teach skills to students who had little or no exposure to boxing. These restrictions also tend to equalize competition resulting in more positive experiences for participants.

“The NCBA is committed to creating the safest possible environment for boxing. The Association will maintain college boxing’s traditional role as a leader in the development of boxing equipment and safety rules. The NCBA will also work to standardize eligibility rules, skills and academic workload. The NCBA shall actively pursue and promote its safety first philosophy as the sport expands on college campuses.

**ARTICLE III**  
**INSTITUTIONAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1.** Eligibility for Institutional Club Membership – Fully accredited colleges and universities which accept and observe the Constitution and By-laws of the Association are eligible for membership in this Association and U.S.A. Boxing, Inc.

**SECTION 2.** Classification of Institutional Club Membership – Membership shall be of the following classes:

- (1.) Active Member Institutional Clubs shall consist of four year colleges and Universities, whose athletes are registered by that institution to compete in Boxing on behalf of that institution. Active members shall be entitled to all Privileges of members of the Association under the Constitution and By-Laws, and all privileges incidental thereto. To be considered an Active Member Institutional Club in good standing the following requirements must be met to be

able to vote on any motions or the election of officers:

- A. New Institutional Club Members must complete a one year probationary period.
  - B. All Member Institutional Clubs must compete in at least one N.C.B.A. Sanctioned Boxing Event, prior to the N.C.B.A. Championship Tournament.
- (2.) Associate Members Institutional Clubs shall consist of two-year colleges, Whose athletes are registered by that institution to compete in boxing on behalf of their institution. Associate members shall be entitled to all Privileges of the members of the Association under the Constitution And Bylaws except:
- A. The right to compete in Regional and NCBA Championship Tournaments.
  - B. The right of its representatives, as such, to hold any effective office in Association other than membership on committees.
  - C. The right of its representative to vote in the general membership.

**SECTION 3.** Application for Institutional Club Membership – Institutional Club Membership in the N.C.B.A. may be obtained in two ways:

- (1.) Renewed membership is confirmed upon receipt of annual dues, as prescribed in the Bylaws, by the date requested by the N.C.B.A.
- (2.) New membership is obtained by approval of the General Membership upon Receipt of the following:
  - (a.) Institutional (Name and Address).
  - (b.) Signed and Stamped Certificate of Institutional Eligibility.
  - (c.) Institutional Membership Fee – Prescribed in the Bylaws.
  - (d.) Coaches, faculty advisor, and club officers (names, addresses, and telephone numbers).
  - (e.) Club Rosters – Current list of names of student boxers.
  - (f.) Constitution & Bylaws of the club.

**SECTION 4.** The General Membership is comprised of all Active Member Institutional Clubs in good standing.

## **ARTICLE IV** **OFFICERS**

**SECTION 1.** The officers of this Association shall be the President, Vice-President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer.

**SECTION 2.** Officers shall serve a term of two (2) years and may stand for re-election without an intervening term.

**SECTION 3.** The nominations of officers shall take place at and will be finalized at the National Championship Tournament meeting, as per the outlined in the Bylaws of the N.C.B. A., Article VII, Section 1, of the odd numbered years. All elected officials shall assume office on July 1<sup>st</sup> of the odd number year of their election.

**SECTION 4.** The Association Secretary shall file the names of the officers, their addresses and telephone numbers, immediately following the elections with U.S.A. Boxing, Inc..

**SECTION 5.** The Vice-President shall fill a vacancy in the office of the President. The officers of the Association shall fill all other vacancies on the Executive Committee by selecting an active member of the Association to fill the vacant position until the appointment can be confirmed by a mail vote of the General Membership

**SECTION 6.** No member of the Executive Committee shall be allowed to hold more than one position on the Executive Committee.

## **ARTICLE V** **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**SECTION 1.** The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Association, the Regional Chairpersons, and a Student Athlete Representative.

**SECTION 2.** Under personnel policies adopted by the Executive Committee and within the annual budget, the Executive Committee shall have the power to purchase secretarial and other services for the efficient management of the Association.

**SECTION 3.** Whenever a majority of the Executive Committee shall agree that an elected or appointed officer of the Association has been grossly negligent in performing the duties in the Bylaws or is incapacitated, they shall recommend to the membership that the office be declared vacant. If the membership concurs by two-thirds majority vote, it shall immediately notify the officer of its decision in written form and also authorize the appointment of a replacement to fill the office. The appointment must be affirmed by a simple majority vote of the General Membership.

**SECTION 4.** The legislative and policy forming body of the Association shall be by the Executive Committee.

**SECTION 5.** During a vote, the Executive Committee shall use the one person – one vote principle.

**SECTION 6.** Any member of the Association, who is not a member of the Executive Committee, may attend the meeting(s), may be recognized by the chair, but shall not have the right to vote at these meeting.

## **ARTICLE VI** **MEETINGS**

**SECTION 1.** Executive Committee – Executive Committee shall meet at least two (2) times annually.

**SECTION 2.** Special Meetings shall be called by the President or at the written request of two-thirds of the Executive Committee or two-thirds of the voting membership.

**SECTION 3.** General Membership Meeting – The Executive Committee shall arrange at least one (1) meeting of the members each year for the discussion of organizational issues. The Executive Committee shall notify the General Membership of the time and place of the meeting(s) at least thirty (30) days in advance. Additional meetings of the General Membership may be held at the call of the President or upon written request of a simple majority of the Association’s voting membership.

**SECTION 4.** The Association shall be divided into Regions. The number of Regions will be determined by the Executive Committee, which will be outlined in the Associations Bylaws. The Representatives from each Region shall meet two times per year to discuss general business and form agenda items for the Annual General Membership Meeting.

**ARTICLE VII**  
**N.C.B.A. ASSOCIATION**

**SECTION 1.** N.C.B.A. Association – This Association is a group member of U.S.A. Boxing, Inc. The Constitution and Bylaws of the Association shall be in compliance with the U.S.A. Boxing Constitution and Bylaws. A person shall not be eligible for active membership in the Association, if not a member of U.S.A. Boxing or eligible for membership in the same.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**NON-PROFIT STATUS**

**SECTION 1.** The Association is not organized for profit and no part of its earnings shall inure to the benefits of any private member or individuals.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**AMENDMENTS**

**SECTION 1.** This Constitution may be amended by two-thirds majority vote of the voting members in a special mail ballot. The proposed amendment shall be provided to each member prior to the vote. Voting members shall have at least 30 days to cast their ballot from the postmarked date of the mailed ballot.

**ARTICLE X**  
**BYLAWS**

**SECTION 1.** Bylaws, not inconsistent with the Constitution shall be adopted by a majority vote of the eligible voting members of the General Membership in a mail ballot conducted for this purpose.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**SECTION 1.** The President, with the approval of the Executive Committee, may appoint non-boxer(s) or boxer(s) to serve on an Advisory Council for the Organization.

**SECTION 2.** Each member of the Council shall possess special qualifications in a field that has important relationship to collegiate boxing in our jurisdiction or in the United States, if qualified individuals are available for appointment.

## **ARTICLE XII** **DISSOLUTION**

**SECTION 1.** This organization may dissolve after dissolution is approved by the Executive Committee and by two-thirds vote of the member institutions provided that notice that a vote on dissolution will be taken and ballots furnished to the member institutions at least sixty (60) days before the vote is taken. Upon dissolution, the net assets of the Association shall not benefit any private officer, individual or group. The net assets shall be used exclusively for educational or charitable purposes. This provision is non-amendable. Assets incapable of proportionate distribution shall be distributed in accordance with the recommendation of the Executive Committee exclusively for educational or charitable purposes.

## **ARTICLE XIII** **RATIFICATION**

**SECTION 1.** This Constitution shall be fully implemented upon the ratification of the voting membership by simple majority vote. Upon ratification of this Constitution, the President shall forward a copy to the U.S.A. Boxing, Inc., Headquarters, to become part of the permanent file for this Association's Group Membership.

# **NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BOXING ASSOCIATION**

## **BYLAWS**

### **ARTICLE I – MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1.** Active Individual membership shall be available to any person who is actively engaged in collegiate boxing. An active member must satisfy the eligibility requirements.

- A. Membership in the N.C.B.A. and membership, or be membership eligible in U.S.A. Boxing, Inc.
- B. Eligibility under the regulations to serve as coach, faculty advisor, and / or official.
- C. Payment of annual unified dues (N.C.B.A./U.S.A. Boxing, Inc.) for membership or Associate membership with the N.C.B.A.

**SECTION 2.** Association active Individual members alone shall be entitled to hold office in the Association governance structure.

**SECTION 3.** The General Membership is comprised of all Active Members Institutional Clubs in good standing and shall have the following powers and duties:

- A. To elect and recall officers of the Association.
- B. To ratify amendments and motions to the Constitution, Bylaws, or Rules.
- C. To give direction to the Executive Committee on matters of the Association and members concerns.
- D. To make sure that the Association, its officers and members are operating within the parameters established by the Constitution and Bylaws and the current N.C.B.A. Rules and Regulations.

**SECTION 4.** Professional Individual membership shall be continuous until the member leaves the Association, resigns from the Association, fails to pay the appropriate dues, or receives a suspension, which results in loss of membership.

## **ARTICLE II – DUES**

**SECTION 1.** The Executive Committee will set the amount of annual dues.

**SECTION 2.** The dues shall consist of the following:

- A. N.C.B.A. Club
- B. Non-athlete (Coach, Official, or Officer)
- C. Athlete

## **ARTICLE III – OFFICERS**

**SECTION 1.** President – The President shall preside over meetings of the Executive Committee, General Membership, and shall appoint with the approval of the Executive Committee, the chairperson and members of all committees. The President shall represent the Association before the public, either personally or through delegates; shall be the Executive Editor of all publications of the organization and shall perform all other functions usually attributed to this office.

**SECTION 2.** Vice-President – The Vice-President shall have the power and authority, in the absence or incapability of the President, to perform the duties of the President. In addition, he / she shall function as an assistant to the President in all matters pertaining to the Association. He / She shall also act as the coordinator between the President and ex-officio of committees of this organization. He/She shall act as the Registration Chairperson for the Association. He / She shall be the liaison between the member institution and the Association Treasure and U.S.A. Boxing, Inc. As the Registration Chairperson, he / she shall have the authority to ensure that the student athletes meet eligibility requirements for participation in all N.C.B.A. activities, according to the N.C.B.A. If the Vice-President is unable to perform the duties of the Registration Chairperson, the Executive Committee may assign this responsibility to another member of the N.C.B.A., but this position is not a member of the Executive Board.

**SECTION 4.** Secretary – the Secretary shall keep accurate minutes of all meetings of the Executive Committee and General Membership; shall prepare such minutes for reproduction and distributions; shall maintain official files; shall assist the President with any Association correspondence; shall be responsible for all mail votes; shall be assigned by this Association to publish quarterly, a communiqué, newsletter, or news release with the

harmonious support of the Executive Committee. The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the most current copy of the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the NCBA, and make such documents available to all Active Member Institutional Clubs.

**SECTION 5.** Treasurer – The Treasurer shall hold the funds of the Association and disburse them accordingly, upon authorization by the Executive Committee. He / She shall keep accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements, shall report at each meeting of the Executive Committee and the General Membership; shall prepare an annual financial statement for publication to members, as directed by the Executive Committee. He / She shall keep the President and the Executive Committee informed of the financial condition of the Association. He / She shall, upon request by the President, submit and turnover to the Executive Committee, all monies, accounts, books, paper and checkbooks. He / She shall turnover all related items of the office to their successor when installed.

**SECTION 6.** The Office of this organization shall be located in the city of the Institution of the President for the period of his / her term.

#### **ARTICLE IV – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**SECTION 1.** The Executive Committee shall have the following powers and duties:

- A. To carry out the mandates of the Executive Committee and / or General Membership; to establish Association policies / rules which are consistent with these mandates and to perform other duties as may be required by the Constitution and Bylaws.
- B. To call special meetings of the Executive Committee and General Membership.
- C. To appoint a qualified accountant to audit the books and funds of the Association.
- D. The President, with the approval of the Executive Committee, shall have the power to temporarily adopt special regulations, not inconsistent with the provision of the Constitution and Bylaws, or Rules / Regulations, until the General Membership can vote on the issue(s). A mail vote will be utilized to ensure each Active Member Institution club has the opportunity to vote on the issue(s) utilizing the one institution / one vote principle.
- E. The Executive Committee shall propose the budget to the General Membership for approval.
- F. The Executive Committee shall set the dues for the Association, act on reports of Committees, approve resolutions and other policy statements, and shall adopt Procedures for implementing sanctions or disqualification for rule violations by member institutions and / or individual members of the N.C.B.A. and those to be followed in censuring, suspending, and expelling members for cause or for reinstating members. Powers not delegated to the Executive Committee shall be vested in the General Membership.

**SECTION 2.** No member of the Executive Committee shall hold more than one position.

### **ARTICLE V – REGIONAL CHAIRPERSON**

**SECTION 1.** Each Regional Chairperson shall represent the interests of their regional conference. He / She shall carefully observe the conduct of intercollegiate boxing or member institutions boxing within their region and shall submit a written annual report at the N.C.B.A. Championship meeting regarding the condition of boxing in their region, as well as achievements, with suggestions and recommendations they deem advisable.

**SECTION 2.** Each Regional Chairperson shall be elected for a term of two (2) years and shall serve on the Executive Committee. Nominations and elections shall be in the month of October of the even numbered years (or years opposite the General Election of Officers) by the General Members within the Region.

**SECTION 3.** The Regional Chairperson shall maintain two way communications between their Region and the Executive Committee. He / She shall assist in enrolling of members within their region. He / She shall be responsible for submitting recommended policies and rules to the Executive Committee to the membership for their information, and when called for their ratification.

### **ARTICLE VI – STUDENT ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE**

**SECTION 1.** The Student Athlete Representative shall be elected for a term of one (1) year and shall serve on the Executive Committee. Nominations shall be made at the National Championship Tournament Meeting. The Nominees must be a registered student athlete in good standing and should be from the next years host region for the National Championships. The election shall be held within three weeks after the National Tournament. Each Active Member Institution Club shall be entitled to cast one vote for this position. The student boxers from each team will vote to determine which nominee will receive their institutions vote.

### **ARTICLE VII – CHIEF OF OFFICIALS**

**SECTION 1.** The Chief of Officials shall be responsible for the recruitment, certification and assigning of all officials for the N.C.B.A. The Chief of Officials shall be elected following the same procedures as in Article IV of the Constitution and Article VII of the Bylaws.

### **ARTICLE VIII – ELECTIONS**

**SECTION 1.** The Secretary, with the approval of the Executive Committee, shall start to conduct the nominations of officers one-month prior to the National Collegiate Boxing Championship Meeting. Nomination of candidates shall be taken from each member college / university club, utilizing procedures guaranteeing each member school the opportunity to nominate any other member for a position for which he or she is qualified. Nominations will be accepted by mail from the General Membership,



with the consent of the person nominated, and additional nominations may come from the floor at the National Championship Meeting. Nominations will be closed during the last General membership Meeting of the National Championship Tournament.

**SECTION 2.** The ballots of candidates for officers of the Executive Committee will be mailed by the Association's Secretary with in two weeks from end of the National Tournament Meeting to all Active Member Institutional Clubs certified voting representative. Each club shall be entitled to one vote per Executive Committee Office (except for Regional Chairperson, which are elected by clubs with in their respective region). The votes must be returned no later than May 15th to be counted. The Secretary will tabulate the results and mail a list of the newly elected officers to each Association member and to the headquarters of U.S.A. Boxing, Inc. by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**SECTION 3.** If more than two names are placed in nomination, and no single nominee receives a majority of the votes cast, the names of the candidate with the least number of votes shall be removed from the ballot. This procedure shall continue on successive ballots until a nominee is elected. The Secretary will maintain the mail votes for each Member Institution.

**SECTION 4.** The new officers will take office July 1, following the National Meeting in which elections were begun.

**SECTION 5.** The re-call of an officer shall require an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the voting members.

**SECTION 6.** Each region will nominate and elect their own Regional Chairperson on the even number years (opposite the Executive Committee elections), utilizing the procedures set forth in Article VIII, Elections, Sections 2 & 3. The past Regional Chairperson shall be responsible for these elections.

**SECTION 7.** The Vice-President shall fill a vacancy in the Office of the President until an election of the General Membership can be held. The Officers of the Association shall fill all other vacancies on the Executive Committee by selecting an active member of the Association to fill the vacant position, but it must be affirmed by a vote of the General Membership.

## **ARTICLE IX – COMMITTEES**

**SECTION 1.** The Executive Committee will appoint committees on an as needed basis.

**SECTION 2.** Each year, the President shall appoint a Safety Committee, Collegiate Boxing Program Recruitment Committee, Media and Promotions Committee, Athlete Eligibility Committee, and such other committees as may be necessary, and shall disband them upon completion of their duties. These committees shall operate according to rules approved by the Executive Committee.

## **ARTICLE X – VOTING PROCEDURES**

**SECTION 1.** Each Active Member Institution shall be entitled to one voting representative at the annual meeting(s) or special meeting(s) for the purpose of making motions and voting on motions made. If the General Membership approves a motion to change the Constitution, Bylaws or Rules and

Regulations at any annual or special meeting, a mail ballot vote on the proposal must be sent to the entire voting membership for ratification.

**SECTION 2.** Any motion that directly deals with the present National Collegiate Boxing Championship may be voted on by the member institutions that are directly involved in that tournament. Any of these types of motions, which pass, do not set precedence for future tournaments, unless they are presented for consideration to the entire membership.

**SECTION 3.** Quorum shall consist of a majority of Active Member Institutions Clubs, which participate at the annual meeting and / or participate in the N.C.B.A. Boxing event, and are eligible to vote. A quorum for special meetings shall consist of a majority of those members present, who are eligible to vote.

### **ARTICLE XI – GENERAL PROVISIONS OF N.C.B.A. COMPETITIONS**

**SECTION 1.** This Association shall endeavor to hold various club competitions, regional tournaments, and an Annual National Championship in the sport of boxing, at various places and on the dates as may be determined.

**SECTION 2.** The Association’s President or Registration Chairperson prior to the bouts must sanction all N.B.C.A. Competition.

**SECTION 3.** All collegiate boxers must be academically eligible by N.C.B.A. Rules and registered as an Athlete with the N.C.B.A.

**SECTION 4.** All coaches must be certified and registered as a non-athlete with the N.C.B.A..

**SECTION 5.** All boxing officials must be certified and registered with U.S.A. Boxing, Inc.

**SECTION 6.** The contest rules of U.S.A. Boxing, Inc., subject to modification by the N.B.C.A., shall prevail in all N.C.B.A. sanctioned competition.

### **ARTICLE XII – PROVISIONS OF THE N.C.B.A CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**SECTION 1.** The Executive Committee shall choose the host institution for the National Championship Tournament. The following criteria will be used:

- A. Selection of the National Championship site shall be conducted on a Regional rotating process. Ideally, each region shall host the Championship every four years.
- B. Should no member school apply throughout the designated host region for that fiscal year, the Executive Committee would then accept bids from any of the remaining regional schools. If this selection process occurs then the selection process shall revert back to its normal rotation.
- C. The submitting host schools must submit their bids to the Executive Committee by November 30<sup>th</sup> of the preceding year. The deadline may be extended by approval of the Executive Committee.

D. The regional rotation shall begin as follows:

**MID WEST - 2002**  
**FAR WEST-2003**  
**NORTHEAST – 2004**  
**SOUTHEAST - 2005**

**ARTICLE XIII – MISCELLANEOUS**

**SECTION 1.** Special Limitation: No Individual or Club Members or Group of Members shall be deemed to be acting in any matter for or on behalf of the Association, or as the organization, unless specifically authorized to do so by the Constitution or Bylaws of the Executive Committee.

**ARTICLE XIV – AUTHORITY**

**SECTION 1.** Robert’s Rules Of Order (Newly Revised Edition) shall be the parliamentary authority for the Association on all questions not covered by the Constitution or Bylaws and such standing rules as the General Membership may adopt.

**ARTICLE XV – MEMBERSHIP YEAR**

**SECTION 1.** The membership year of the National Collegiate Boxing Association shall be the same as established by U.S.A. Boxing, Inc.

**ARTICLE XVI – STUDENT ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

**SECTION 1.** In order to compete, each Student Athlete must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- A. Be a full-time student at an accredited 2-year or 4-year institution at which he is attending for graduation and belong to an Active or Associate Member Institutional Club.
- B. Annually provide a statement describing all boxing experience he has had outside of a program sponsored by an Active or Associate Member Institutional Club belonging to the NCBA.
- C. Shall not have had more than five (5) bouts in any public meet including exhibitions after their sixteenth birthday at any non-NCBA sanctioned event
- D. Shall not compete in any non-NCBA sanctioned boxing competition after his first date of enrollment in a 2-year or 4-year college. Should a student athlete member compete in any non-sanctioned boxing bout, he shall be rendered automatically ineligible to compete in any further NCBA competition.
- E. If a student athlete has participated in any non-NCBA sanctioned boxing competition prior to joining an Active or Associate Member Institutional Club, they shall be ruled ineligible. They may submit a letter of appeal to the Regional Chairman in all cases prior to any NCBA

competition. The NCBA Executive Committee will review each appeal for a final eligibility decision.

- F. Shall not receive any financial remuneration for participating in any NCBA sponsored program or competition from any source.

**SECTION 2. OTHER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS** – The NCBA may impose other eligibility requirements for Student Athlete Individual Members in its Rules and Regulations.

**SECTION 3. EXPULSION** – Any Student Athlete Individual Member who fails to comply with the provisions of **SECTION 1** or **SECTION 2**, or who fails to provide accurate information regarding prior boxing experience, shall be automatically expelled by the Executive Committee upon submission of factual evidence or failure to comply. A student athlete may submit one letter of appeal for a final ruling of eligibility.

**SECTION 4. CLUB EXPULSION** – Any Active or Associate Member Institutional Club which fails to provide accurate student eligibility information to the Registration Coordinator or which fails to comply with the Rules and Regulations of the NCBA may be expelled from the NCBA by a vote of the Executive Committee. A Club may submit one letter of appeal for a final determination of compliance with NCBA Rules and Regulations.

#### **ARTICLE XVII – EXPENSES**

**SECTION 1.** The Association shall not reimburse members for their expenses incurred in Association activities, unless the Executive Committee authorizes such reimbursement.

#### **ARTICLE XVIII – AMENDMENTS**

**SECTION 1.** These Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the eligible voting General Membership. The proposed amendment(s) must be mailed to each Active Member Institutional Club at least 30 days prior to the mail vote deadline date.