



England Boxing National and Area Title Belts Rules and Regulation

The rules and regulations within this document are in place for the England Boxing National, Area and Regional Title Belts. Should any Region have differing rules to those outlined below, it is the responsibility of the Region to inform England Boxing using the Title Belts email titlebelts@englandboxing.org.

England Boxing Title Belts are to be contested under England Boxing rules and IBA AOB rules. England Boxing retain the intellectual property and commercial rights around the National and Area belts. Commercial promotion directly linked to the National or Area Belts cannot be implemented without permission from England Boxing. If England Boxing assigns a commercial partner to the National and Area Belts, it must be added to any promotional material and referenced by the show Announcer/MC.

1. Structure

1.1. There will be 50 Elite National Title Belts (referenced at 3.1 below) that cover Senior Elite (25) and Youth (25) age categories for both males (13) and females (12).

1.2. There are three Area Titles:



1.3. Members of the Police Boxing Association (PBA) will enter based upon home address.

1.4. Each Area has 50 Area Title Belts (referenced at 3.1 below) that cover Elite and Youth age categories for both males and females.

1.5. To ensure there is a long-term system with clear context throughout, the National Title Belts have a direct link to the Area Title Belts with the Regional Title Belts having a direct link to the Area Title Belts. The model is illustrated in Appendix A.

1.6. Here, a clear system is being implemented whereby only the three Area Title Belt holders can challenge the National Title Belt holder. In turn, only a Regional Title Belt holder can challenge the Area Title Belt holder. All requests will be through the Area Representatives (Appendix B)

1.7. All three Area Title Belt holders are treated as equals but the National Title Belt holder must offer bouts to the Area Title Belt holders in a cyclical system. The order is Northern, Central and Southern.

1.7.1. Therefore, if the National Title Belt holder successfully defends their belt against the Northern Area Title Belt holder, they must offer the next bout to the Central Area Belt holder.

1.7.2. If the Central Area Belt holder wins this bout and becomes the National Title Belt holder, the first defence must be against the Southern Area Title Belt holder.

1.7.3. If an Area Title Belt holder is not available within 42 days, the National Title Belt holder may offer the bout to the next available Area Title Belt holder.

1.7.4. If none of the Area Title Belt holders are available, the National Title Belt holder can challenge, or accept a challenge from, any of the Regional Belt holders.

1.8. For clarity, once a National Title Belt holder loses their Title, they need to win the Area Belt before they can challenge for the National Title Belt once again.

1.9. The National and Area Belt holders must offer to defend their title at a minimum of once every three months, failure to do so will necessitate the forfeiture of the belt.

2. Eligibility

2.1. Open to Elite and Youth Boxers (Male & Female) registered to England Boxing, for clarity, if a Boxer can still be considered eligible to enter any Development category they are not considered eligible for the Title Belt Series.

2.2. Boxers contracted to GB Boxing are NOT eligible to compete for any of the Title Belts

2.3. Elite and Youth National Champions are NOT eligible to compete for a Title Belt in the category in which they are the National Champion. For clarity, a Youth 60kg National Champion could not compete for any of the Youth 60kg Belts but, once they become an Elite they can compete for the Elite 60kg Belt.

3. Weights

3.1. The Title Belts can only be contested at the following weights:

Male: 46kg - 48kg, 51kg, 54kg, 57kg, 60kg, 63.5kg, 67kg, 71kg, 75kg, 80kg, 86kg, 92kg, Over 92kg

Female: 45kg - 48kg, 50kg, 52kg, 54kg, 57kg, 60kg, 63kg, 66kg, 70kg, 75kg, 81kg, Over 81kg

3.2. **No weight allowances** are permitted for Title Belt contests or eliminators

4. Contests

4.1. All bouts will be 3 x 3-minute rounds

4.2. Manual or computer scoring and five judges to be used

4.3. Where there is a champion, they will have the choice of which corner they will box out of and they will be introduced second by the Announcer/MC. If there is a vacant belt, a coin toss will be administered to decide which boxer has the choice.

4.4. Boxers are representing their clubs/regions therefore National representative vests should not be worn. Boxers are encouraged to wear club colours during Title belt bouts.

5. Officials

5.1. All Officials must be at least England Boxing Grade B.

5.2. Wherever possible or feasible, Judges for bouts should be neutral to both Boxer's Regions. If the bout is on a club show, then there should be at least one neutral Judge officiating. Requests for neutral Officials should be through titlebelts@englandboxing.org All expenses for neutral Officials are to be met by the hosting club / Region.

6. Competitors

6.1. Must be prepared to box nationally, or within the Area / Region in which the Title Belt is being contested, if a mutual agreeable venue cannot be agreed then the sanctioning panel will determine where the bout is to be held.

6.2. Must be prepared to box with 42 days' notice.

6.3. Must be prepared to give both pre-bout and post-bout media interviews

6.4. Must consent to being photographed & videoed, for which England Boxing and its partners may later use

7. Venue & Medical

7.1. National and Area Title Belts must take place in a minimum 16ft ring

7.2. The show must have a Doctor appointed with access to (and have appropriate training with) resuscitation equipment or paramedics to be on site.

8. The belts

8.1. Belt holder must bring the Belt being contested to the bout.

8.2. The National and Area belts remain the property of England Boxing. If a boxer defends the National Title on three consecutive occasions, they will be awarded the belt.

8.3. Shall be returned to England Boxing upon request.

8.4. Shall be looked after by the Belt holder and their club. The cost of a lost or damaged belt that needs to be replaced will be borne by the club of approximately £150 (to cover cost of belt, postage, administration costs). Failure to pay this fine, if a belt is deemed to need to be replaced, will result in the club being unable to contest for Title Belts until this fee has been paid.

8.5. The Regional belts remain the property of the respective Region.

8.6. Once a Boxer wins a Belt at a higher level the lower belt MUST be relinquished.

8.7. If a Youth Boxer holds a Belt, they relinquish it when becoming an Elite Boxer

8.8. The Belt holder must actively defend their Belt on a regular basis. Failure to defend a Belt for over three months without reasonable justification may result in the Belt being declared vacant.

9. Applications

9.1. To compete all participants must follow the agreed protocol to be nominated to box for the belts at National, Area and Regional Level (refer Appendix A). Request for a bout permit must be sent to titlebelts@englandboxing.org

10. Withdrawals

10.1. Any withdrawal without contact with EB will result in a £100 sanction being imposed by EB upon the withdrawing boxer's club. £50 will be paid to the opponent's club to cover expenses. If the challenger withdraws in this manner, this will count as a Title Belt defence.

10.2. Any withdrawal with contact with EB without supporting documentation will result in a sanction of £50 being imposed upon the withdrawing boxer's club. This will be paid to the opponent's club to cover expenses.

10.6. The England Boxing Title Belts may be declared vacant:

10.6.1. Upon the Title Belt holder being awarded a GB Boxing contract

10.6.2. If the Title Belt holder wins a National Championship

10.6.3. If the Title Belt holder ceases to be registered with England Boxing

10.6.4. The champion is unable to defend against challenges within 42 days (or 42 + 28 in the case of withdrawal).

10.7. The belt needs to be returned to England Boxing or to the boxer's club. Failure to return the belt will see a fine of approximately £150 onto the boxer's club (to cover cost of belt, postage, administration fees). Failure to pay this fine, if a belt is deemed to need to be replaced, will result in the club being unable to contest for Title Belts until this fee has been paid.

11. Eliminators

11.1. Eliminators (only required where there is a vacant belt) may be held on Club or Regional shows upon receipt of a (free) permit from England Boxing.

11.2. No contest shall be referred to as an England Boxing Title Eliminator unless a permit is issued.

11.3. Same rules apply to eliminators as Title Belt contests.

12. Sanctioning Fees

12.1. England Boxing Title Belt Bouts have been designed to take place on England Boxing run shows. However, Area Title Belt Bouts may take place on neutral Club or Regional shows. The following sanctioning fees are payable

On an England Boxing Show – NO Sanction Fee payable

On a Club Show – Area Title - £50 to EB & £50 to the host Region

On a Regional Show – Area Title – NO Sanction Fee payable

On a Club Show – Eliminator - £25 to the host Region

On a Regional Show – Eliminator – NO Sanction Fee payable

12.2. The club hosting the Area Title Belt contest will pay the sanction fee. Sanction fees are payable to England Boxing 7 days prior to the show being held. England Boxing will distribute funds to Regions.

12.3. An England Boxing Title Belt permit must be issued for all National and Area Belt bouts in all cases. The respective Regions will issue permits for Regional Belts.

13. Appeals

13.1. Any appeal must be sent, in writing, to titlebelts@englandboxing.org where it will then be reviewed by the Chair of the Championship Subcommittee.

14. Title Belts Panel

14.1. The Title Belts will be overseen by the Title Belts Panel, who will have authority to sanction bouts and will ensure the processes in place are adhered to.

14.2. For national belts a sanctioning panel will be quorate with three members, to include Chair or Events & Competitions Manager as a minimum.

14.3. The Sanctioning Panel will be made up of the following:

- Chair of the Championship Sub-Committee
- England Boxing Events & Competitions Manager
- England Boxing membership representative – North
- England Boxing membership representative – Central
- England Boxing membership representative - South

National
Title Belt Holder

Northern Area
Title Belt Holder

Central Area
Title Belt Holder

Regional Title Belt Holders



M&C

NWR

TTW

YORKS

Regional Title Belt Holders



EC

EM

HC

MC



England Boxing National and Area Title Belts
Regional Contacts

All Area Title Belt requests to be through the selected Area Representative



Merseyside & Cheshire
Contact:



North West Region
Contact:



Tyne Tees & Wear
Contact:



Yorkshire
Contact: pwboxing1@gmail.com

Northern Area Title Belts
Contact:
pwboxing1@gmail.com



Eastern Counties
Contact:



East Midlands
Contact: Adrian.corssen@severntrent.co.uk



Home Counties
Contact:



Midland Counties
Contact: louisegibbs07@hotmail.co.uk

Central Area Title Belts
Contact:
Sabatino_leo@hotmail.com



London Boxing
Contact: londonboxing1@gmail.com



Southern Counties
Contact: stherncounties@btinternet.com



UK Armed Forces
Contact: andy_parker529@hotmail.com



Western Counties
Contact: mike@thewholehouseco.com

Southern Area Title Belts
Contact:
londonboxing1@gmail.com

All National Title Belt requests to be through titlebelts@englandboxing.org