



2023 WOMEN'S WINTER BOX CUP

Guidance Document



The England Boxing Women's Winter Box Cup 2023 (WWBC 2023) is contested in accordance with the rules governing International Boxing Association (IBA) and the directives, policies and procedures issued by England Boxing unless otherwise stated in the rules detailed below.

England and IBA rules can be found [here](#).

EVENT VENUE AND DATE

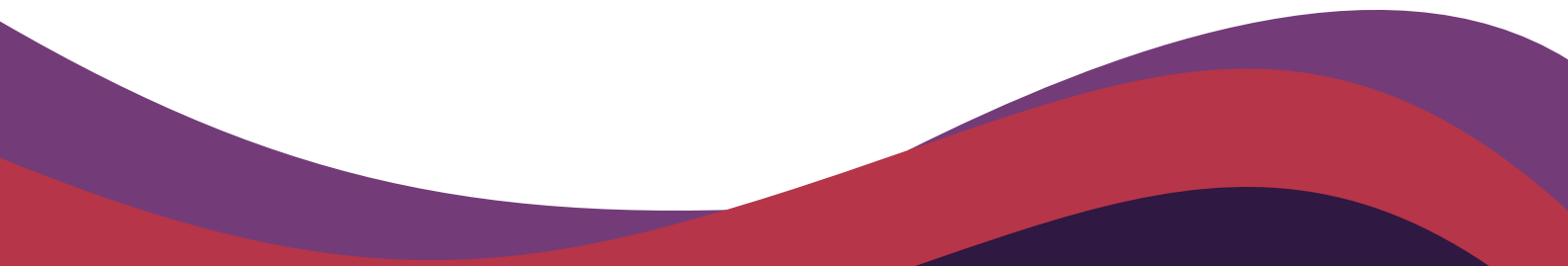
Leigh Leisure Centre, Sale Way, Leigh Sports Village, Leigh, WN7 4JY.
Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th December 2023.

OPENING STATEMENT

The WWBC, hosted by England Boxing, was introduced in 2019 as a key part of England Boxing's strategy to create more competitive opportunities for female boxers. Following on from Nicola Adams' trailblazing success at Olympic and World level, an exciting new breed of boxers that has taken the international scene by storm has emerged, including Caroline Dubois, Savannah Marshall and Natasha Jonas. As women's boxing continues to gather momentum, the WWBC offers an exceptional stage for female boxers to seize their opportunity and ascend, making it 'Her Time to Rise'.

INTRODUCTION

The WWBC 2023 is open to female boxers born between 01/01/1983 and 31/12/2008, across a range of inclusive age groups and weight categories.



ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to:

Category	Year of Birth	Number of Bouts	Round Length
Senior (Class A)	1983 - 2004	15 bouts or more	3 x 3 minute rounds
Senior (Class B)	1983 - 2004	6 - 14 bouts	3 x 3 minute rounds
Senior (Class C)	1983 - 2004	0 - 5 bouts	3 x 2 minute rounds
Youth (Class A)	2005 - 2006	15 bouts or more	3 x 3 minute rounds
Youth (Class B)	2005 - 2006	6 - 14 bouts	3 x 3 minute rounds
Youth (Class C)	2005 - 2006	0 - 5 bouts	3 x 2 minute rounds
Junior (Class A)	2007 - 2008	7 bouts or more	3 x 2 minute rounds
Junior (Class B)	2007 - 2008	0 - 6 bouts	3 x 2 minute rounds

Weight Categories	
Senior	45kg - 48kg, Under 50kg, Under 52kg, Under 54kg, Under 57kg, Under 60kg, Under 63kg, Under 66kg, Under 70kg, Under 75kg, Under 81kg, Over 81kg
Youth	46kg - 48kg, Under 50kg, Under 52kg, Under 54kg, Under 57kg, Under 60kg, Under 63kg, Under 66kg, Under 70kg, Under 75kg, Under 81kg, Over 81kg
Junior	44kg - 46kg, Under 48kg, Under 50kg, Under 52kg, Under 54kg, Under 57kg, Under 60kg, Under 63kg, Under 66kg, Under 70kg, Under 75kg, Under 80kg, Over 80kg

For all categories, any boxer who has represented their Country is ineligible to enter in any Development Category (Class B or C) and will box in the Class A Category. This applies to all boxers including international boxers. In addition, any boxer who has competed as an Elite boxer at any Championship, including international boxers must also enter in the Class A Category.

AFFILIATION

Boxers **must** be registered with an England Boxing affiliated club or in the case of international entrants they must be registered with their national association. Coaches must also produce a valid in-date England Boxing lanyard or international equivalent to access coaching areas at the event.

ENTRY CRITERIA

All boxer's BCR1 medical books or equivalent must be produced at the initial weigh-in and at all subsequent rounds. Each boxer's medical must be in date for the duration of the WWBC 2023. Any boxer who's medical expires before the end of the tournament will be withdrawn.

Boxers from outside England must have a medical recorded in their record books in accordance with their National Governing Body/Federation. If this is not evident, boxers will be required to undertake a full medical to participate.

Boxers from outside England will also need authorisation to participate from their National Governing Body/Federation.

CLOSING DATE

Entries will close at 5.00 pm on Friday 24th November 2023.

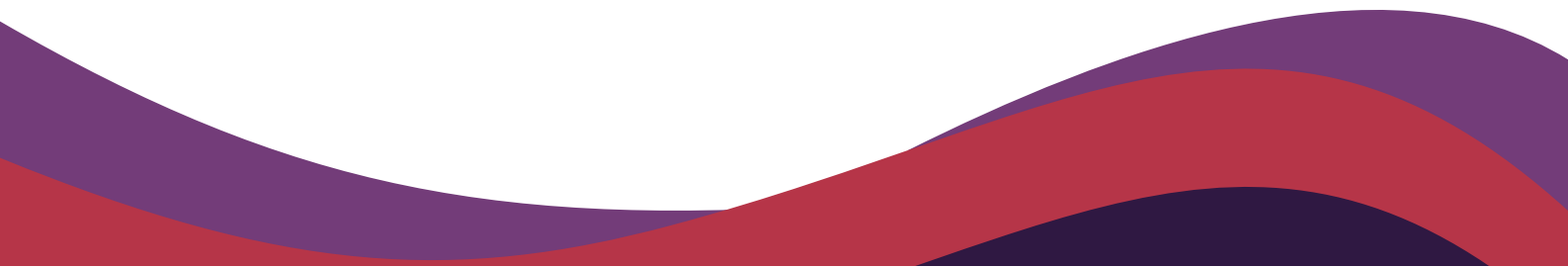
England Boxing reserves the right to close entries early.

WEIGH-IN

The initial weigh-in and registration will take place between 08.00 - 10.00 am on Saturday 9th December 2023. **The weigh in will close at 10.00 am on Saturday 9th December.**

Boxers will be permitted to change weight category right up until the initial weigh in.

Note: The Competitions & Events Manager will need to be informed of any weight category changes to ensure all boxers can be matched.



Only movement up or down one weight category from the originally entered weight category is permitted. Every effort will be made to secure sufficient entries per weight category, and therefore provide as many bouts as possible.

THE DRAW

The draw will take place on completion of the weigh-in and will be announced on the England Boxing [website](#), and on England Boxing's social media channels, on completion.

If the number of entries per weight category exceeds four, the boxers will split into two or more groups at that weight.

DECLARATION OF NON-PREGNANCY

All entrants to the WWBC will be required to declare themselves non-pregnant on each day of the competition, failure to do so will result in the boxer being withdrawn from the competition.

Non-pregnancy is to be declared by the submission of the following female declaration forms;

- [Female Declaration \(Over 18\)](#)
- [Female Declaration \(Under 18\)](#)

ENTRY FORM

The online entry form must be filled in accurately and honestly with any previous combat experience annotated. Failure to complete this form accurately may result in the boxer being withdrawn from the tournament. In this instance a refund will not be provided.

The online entry form for the WWBC 2023 can be found [here](#).



PREVIOUS COMBAT EXPERIENCE

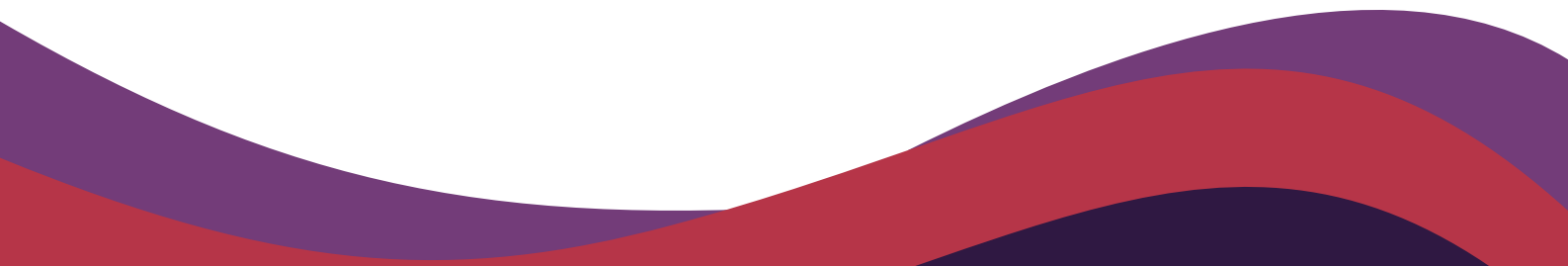
All previous combat experience must be declared in the boxer's BCR1. If the boxer has previous combat experience, then authorization is to have been granted by England Boxing to box prior to the start of the WWBC 2023. Failure to declare previous combat bouts may result in the boxer being removed from the championship and disciplinary proceedings taken against the boxer and or club. Any boxer failing to report previous combat experience must be reported to England Boxing at the first available opportunity.

PREVIOUS COMBAT EXPERIENCE COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

Any club wishing to raise a formal complaint with England Boxing regarding an opponent's alleged previous combat experience must have gathered sufficient evidence for this complaint to be dealt with. All evidence must be sent to the Competitions & Events Manager as soon as it is identified and before any scheduled bout. The Competitions & Events Manager will determine the way forward and be responsible for informing all affected boxers/clubs of the decision.

EQUIPMENT

Red or partially red gumshields are not permitted. Only IBA approved hand wraps must be worn. Sting headguards and gloves are mandatory for this competition (England Boxing will provide appropriate headguards and gloves for all contests throughout the WWBC 2023). In accordance with IBA rules a bandana or hair net **MUST** be worn to ensure hair is secure throughout the bout.



PHOTOGRAPHY AND MEDIA CONTACT

When you participate in the WWBC 2023 (as a boxer or coach), you may be filmed or photographed at any point during your participation. By entering this competition, you grant England Boxing permission to identify you by name in the video footage and photographs and to use the resulting video footage and photographs for promotional and commercial purposes. England Boxing will not be required to pay you for use of such videos or images, the copyright in which will be owned by England Boxing.

If you do not consent to being filmed or photographed, please inform England Boxing in writing.

DOPING CONTROL

Participants may be subjected to doping control testing at the event. All entrants and support personnel shall be deemed to have made themselves familiar with and agreed to be bound by the UKAD Anti-Doping Rules and to submit to the authority of UK Anti-Doping in the application and enforcement of the Anti-Doping Rules. Please note UKAD rule 5.7: The consent of a parent or guardian to Testing of the Minor pursuant to these Rules shall be inferred from the fact that the Minor has been permitted by their parent or guardian to participate in the sport.

To check the status of registered medicines please visit www.globaldro.com. For information on the Clean Boxing programme, testing procedures and for a copy of the full copy of the England Boxing Anti-Doping rules please visit [**Clean Sport / Anti-doping - England Boxing**](#).

WWBC TITLE

If there is no opponent for a boxer at the WWBC 2023 Final, the boxer can only be awarded a WWBC 2023 title if they have boxed in an earlier round.

OTHER

All Coaches must be a member of their National Governing body/Federation and must have a valid coach lanyard.

All Coaches are required to adhere to England Boxing rules on dress, conduct and behaviour throughout the WWBC 2023.

The number of accredited Coaches eligible for this competition is based on the number of entered boxers as follows;

- 1 Boxer = 3 Coaches
- 2 Boxers = 4 Coaches
- 3 or more Boxers = 6 Coaches
- Only 3 Coaches are permitted to second a boxer.

Questions should be directed to enquiries@englandboxing.org.

England Boxing reserves the right to amend, alter or to add directives, policies and procedures at any time it deems necessary. Amendments will be posted on the England Boxing Website.

