

IBF RATINGS CRITERIA

1. No boxer shall be rated in more than one (1) weight division.
2. WBA, WBC, and WBO World Champions will not appear in the numerical ratings.
3. WBA, WBC, and WBO World Champions will be considered above rated fighters for the limited purpose of unification.
4. Ratings must be based solely on win/loss records, level of competition, activity and a boxer's adherence to IBF/USBA rules and regulations. The records of any top ten (10) rated boxer must be verified.
5. For a boxer to be considered for ranking in the top ten (10), he must have had at least ten (10) professional fights.
6. For a boxer to be rated in the top ten (10) and compete for a world Title, he must have competed in at least two (2) bouts scheduled for ten (10) rounds or four bouts scheduled for (8) rounds.
7. For a boxer to remain in the top fifteen (15), he must
 - A. Compete at least once during a twelve (12) month period from the time a boxer gets rated and must also compete within six (6) pounds of his rated weight; and
 - B. Have competed against another top fifteen (15) IBF rated boxer within an eighteen (18) month period from the time the boxer gets rated. A boxer who does not meet this level of competition will be removed from the ratings. Exceptions will be made for injuries for a period of up to 90 days with proper medical documentation.
8. If a top fifteen (15) rated boxer loses to an un-rated boxer, the rated boxer shall be lowered or removed from the ratings. The un-rated boxer may be considered for a rating in the top fifteen (15).

9. For a boxer to be rated in the number one (1) or two (2) position, he must be rated in one of the top five (5) available positions and beat another boxer rated in one of the top five (5) available positions. Boxers competing in bouts not scheduled for 12 round IBF Eliminators will not be eligible for ranking above No.3
10. Boxers that step aside when in a mandatory position will not be considered the mandatory challenger and will be lowered in the ratings.
11. Boxers that contract to fight for other world titles shall be considered unavailable and will be removed from the rankings.
12. It is the responsibility of the boxer's management to notify the Ratings Committee of a boxer's activity.
13. All ratings criteria are subject to exception by approval of the Ratings Committee.