



WORLD BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS LIVERPOOL 2025

04 - 14 SEPTEMBER 2025

EVENT INVITATION & INFORMATION

*GB BOXING & WORLD BOXING RESERVE THE RIGHT TO UPDATE THIS HANDBOOK AS AND WHEN REQUIRED

Event Stakeholders



Event Partners



INVITATION

Dear Presidents and Secretaries General, Dear Teams,

It is a source of great delight to me that the inaugural World Boxing Championships 2025 for elite men and women, will take place in Liverpool, England, 4-14 September 2025.

Coming just six months after the International Olympic Committee (IOC) confirmed that boxing will be restored to the programme for the Los Angeles Olympic Games 2028 (LA28), this is a major event for World Boxing and will be the first time in history that elite male and female boxers will compete for the title of world champion at the same tournament.

As a host city, Liverpool is a perfect location for this historic event. Culturally, Liverpool is famous across the globe owing to its connection with The Beatles and the music of the 1960s. From a sporting perspective, it is known in every corner of the world thanks to the endeavours and achievements of its two football teams, Liverpool FC and Everton FC.

Liverpool is also a place with a proud tradition of boxing. Numerous boxers from the city, including Beijing 2008 bronze medallist, David Price, and two members of Team GB's line-up at London 2012, Natasha Jonas and Tom Stalker, have represented Great Britain at the Olympic Games.

It has also produced many professional world champions including the great John Conteh in the 1970s and, more recently, brothers Liam and Callum Smith, Tony Bellew and one of female boxing's great trailblazers, Natasha Jonas, who followed her Olympic exploits with a professional career that included WBC and WBO world titles.

We could not hope for a better place to hold our inaugural World Boxing Championships and I would like to thank GB Boxing and England Boxing and all of their partners for bidding to host this prestigious event. The partners have established a highly skilled Local Organising Committee (LOC), made up of people with longstanding experience of staging major global sporting events and I am certain they will deliver a first-class experience for boxers, coaches, officials, team delegations and spectators.

I look forward to welcoming you all to Liverpool in September and have no doubt that it will be a fantastic opportunity for all of our male and female boxers to demonstrate their skills and qualities and provide a platform to showcase the values of sportsmanship, fairness and sporting integrity that are central to World Boxing's outlook and vision for the sport.

Sincerely yours,

BORIS VAN VER VORST
President
World Boxing



Dear Presidents and Secretaries General, Dear Teams,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to the inaugural World Boxing Championships 2025 for elite men and women that will take place at the M&S Bank Arena in Liverpool, England, 4 – 14 September 2025.

This will be the first time in history that elite men and women will compete for the title of World Boxing champion at the same tournament, and GB Boxing, England Boxing and all of our partners are very proud to have been selected by World Boxing to host this prestigious event.

Last year, GB Boxing and England Boxing joined with World Boxing to host two events, including the Finals, in the World Boxing Cup 2024 series. These events received very positive feedback from boxers, coaches, officials and spectators and we are hopeful that the experience we gained in delivering these competitions will enable us to make sure that the World Boxing Championships 2025 will be the truly world-class spectacle that our sport so richly deserves.

None of this would be possible without the help of numerous organisations that have partnered with us on our bid to host this event and we would like to express our sincere thanks to UK Sport, Liverpool City Council and the National Lottery for their ongoing support.

All of the stakeholders are represented on the Local Organising Committee (LOC) which has been established to ensure that the Championships meet the highest organisational standards and is dedicated to delivering a seamless and exceptional event, ensuring that every boxer, coach, official, and spectator enjoys a memorable and rewarding experience.

This invitation letter includes all of the necessary information that National Federations require to participate in the World Championships 2025 along with details on every aspect of the competition including the entry process, accommodation and details on travel and logistics.

Any National Federation that has questions about any aspect of the event can contact the LOC at Boxing@mls.gb.co.

On behalf of both our organisations and all of our partners, we look forward to welcoming your boxers and team delegations to the World Boxing Championships 2025 and wish everyone a successful and pleasant stay in Liverpool.

Sincerely yours,

MATT HOLT
Chief Executive Officer
GB Boxing



JEROME PELS
Chief Executive Officer
England Boxing



TABLE OF CONTENTS

INVITATION	1
1. HOST NATIONAL FEDERATION	4
2. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE (LOC) & KEY EVENT CONTACTS.....	4
3. COMPETITION RULES & FORMAT	5
4. EVENT SCHEDULE	6
5. ENTRY PROCESS.....	7
6. VISA & ENTRY TO THE HOST COUNTRY	8
7. INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION.....	9
8. GROUND TRANSPORTATION	9
9. COMPETITION & TRAINING VENUE.....	9
10. ACCOMMODATION / EVENT HOTELS.....	10
11. IMAGE RIGHTS & VIDEO RECORDING.....	13
12. MEDICAL SERVICES.....	13
13. ANTI-DOPING	13
14. INSURANCE	13
15. OTHER PRACTICAL INFO.....	13

WORLD BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS LIVERPOOL 2025

1. HOST NATIONAL FEDERATION

England Boxing/GB Boxing, affiliated with World Boxing, acts as the Host National Federation of the World Boxing Championships, Liverpool, 2025 and is responsible for organizing the event.

Name	England Boxing
Address	EIS, Coleridge Road, Sheffield, S9 5DA
Phone	00 44 114 257 3170
Email	boxing@mls.gb.co
Website	www.englandboxing.org
Event Website	https://www.worldboxingliverpool.com/

2. LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE (LOC) & KEY EVENT CONTACTS

LOC address	MLS, Canon Medical Arena, Worksop Road, Sheffield, S9 3TL	
LOC phone	00 44 114 257 3170	
LOC email	boxing@mls.gb.co	
Competition and sports	boxing@mls.gb.co	00 44 114 257 3170
Entries for teams	boxing@mls.gb.co	00 44 114 257 3170
Visa and entry to the Host Country	boxing@mls.gb.co	00 44 114 257 3170
Accreditation	boxing@mls.gb.co	00 44 114 257 3170
Accommodation	boxing@cseplc.com	00 44 747 956 4737 / 00 44 773 915 6365
Ground transportation	boxing@cseplc.com	00 44 747 956 4737 / 00 44 773 915 6365
Medical services	boxing@mls.gb.co	00 44 114 257 3170
Training venue	boxing@mls.gb.co	00 44 114 257 3170
Press & media	boxing@mls.gb.co	00 44 114 257 3170

WORLD BOXING
CHAMPIONSHIPS
LIVERPOOL
2025

3. COMPETITION RULES & FORMAT

This event will be conducted in accordance with the actual World Boxing Competition Rules.

Event category	World Boxing Championships
Age category	Elite, born from 1 January 1985 to 31 December 2006
Men's weight categories	50kg, 55kg, 60kg, 65kg, 70kg, 75kg, 80kg, 85kg, 90kg, 90kg+ (ten)
Women's weight categories	48kg, 51kg, 54kg, 57kg, 60kg, 65kg, 70kg, 75kg, 80kg, 80kg+ (ten)
Draw sizes and composition	Maximum 1 boxer from a National Federation (NF) per weight category.
Entries acceptance criteria	<p>The 2025 World Boxing Championships is an open-entry competition to all NF's affiliated to World Boxing. NF's will be allowed to register one (1) primary boxer and one (1) reserve boxer per weight category. NF's will confirm their final entry between the primary and reserve boxer in the Final Registration Entry.</p> <p>Withdrawals, including late withdrawals will be managed in accordance with Article 5 of the Competition Rules.</p> <p>World Boxing holds the right should entry levels exceed available capacity per weight category to implement additional criteria to reduce the number of entries for the affected weight categories and enable a safe and successful delivery of the 2025 World Championships.</p>
Ranking points	World Boxing Cup Champion – 1,500 points / Silver medal – 1,000 points / Bronze medal (3 rd -4 th place finishers) – 600 points, 5 th -8 th place finishers – 300 points per Competition Rules Article 1.10.11.
Number of rings	Two rings for Preliminary rounds then the event will transition to one ring for semi-finals and finals
Scoring and timing	Official World Boxing Scoring Provider
Boxing equipment	Sting
Hand wrapping	Pro bandaging tape and gauze, provided by LOC
Technical Officials	World Boxing certified
Sport Entries Check	Mandatory for inclusion into the draw, appointment set prior to arrival

4. EVENT SCHEDULE

Event Period: 02 September – 15 September 2025 | Competition Period: 04 – 14 September 2025

Date	Time	Activity	Location	Notes
Monday 01 September	All Day	Team Arrivals		Upon request to LOC
Tuesday 02 September	All Day	Team Arrivals		
	TBD	Training Venue Available	M&S Bank Arena	
	All Day	Sport Entries Checks	Leonardo Hotel	
Wednesday 03 September	TBD	Training Venue Available	M&S Bank Arena	
	PM - TBD	Technical Meeting	M&S Bank Arena	Max. 2 reps per team
	PM - TBD	Official Draw	M&S Bank Arena	Max. 2 reps per team
Thursday 04 September (Comp Day 1)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session P1	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
	18:30 - 22:00	Session P2	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
Friday 05 September (Comp Day 2)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session P3	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
	18:30 - 22:00	Session P4	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
Saturday 06 September (Comp Day 3)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session P5	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
	18:30 - 22:00	Session P6	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
Sunday 07 September (Comp Day 4)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session P7	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
	18:30 - 22:00	Session P8	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
Monday 08 September (Comp Day 5)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session P9	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
	18:30 - 22:00	Session P10	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
Tuesday 09 September (Comp Day 6)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session P11	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
	18:30 - 22:00	Session P12	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
Wednesday 10 September (Comp Day 7)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session P13	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
	18:30 - 22:00	Session P14	M&S Bank Arena	Preliminary Round
Thursday 11 September (Rest Day)		Rest Day		
	TBD	Training Venue Available	M&S Bank Arena	
Friday 12 September (Comp Day 8)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session F1	M&S Bank Arena	Semi-Finals & Finals
	18:30 - 22:00	Session F2	M&S Bank Arena	Semi-Finals & Finals
Saturday 13 September (Comp Day 9)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session F3	M&S Bank Arena	Semi-Finals & Finals
	18:30 - 22:00	Session F4	M&S Bank Arena	Semi-Finals & Finals
Sunday 14 September (Comp Day 10)	06:30 - 08:30	Weigh-In	Leonardo Hotel	
	12:00 - 15:30	Session F5	M&S Bank Arena	Finals
	18:30 - 22:00	Session F6	M&S Bank Arena	Finals
Monday 15 September	All Day	Team Departures		

All times and dates are subject to change according to specific needs and/or force majeure.

5. ENTRY PROCESS

It is required that respective participating National Federations confirm the technical and medical standard of the boxers and other Team Members. Participating National Federations are also responsible for submitting the personal data on behalf of each member of their Team, and for ensuring that the personal information provided during the entry process is accurate.

NFs will be requested to enter the World Boxing Championships by submitting a Phase 1 Entry by Number & Accommodation Request Form. Phase 2 Entry by Name will request full information via the Games Management System (GMS). Rooming lists and transport information will be requested separately. Data will be held in accordance with the event Privacy Policy which can be viewed on our website www.worldboxingliverpool.com

Process	Means	Deadline
Phase 1 Entry by Number & Accommodation Booking	Accommodation Booking and Entry by Number form submitted.	30 May 2025 (23:59 UTC+1)
Deposit Payment Due	20% deposit payment due from participating National federations.	30 May 2025 (23:59 UTC+1)
Final payment due	Balance payment due from participating National Federations.	04 July 2025 (23:59 UTC+1)
Phase 2 Entry by Name Final Entry	Named registration from participating National Federations via the GMS.	25 July 2025 (23:59 UTC+1)
Rooming List Deadline	Participating National Federations by accommodation form to LOC.	01 August 2025 (23:59 UTC+1)
Arrival and departure info	Participating National Federations via travel info form to LOC.	01 August 2025 (23:59 UTC+1)

Registering reserve boxers is strongly encouraged to allow for substitutions after the entry deadline prior to the Sport Entries Check without penalties.

5.1. Accompanying Team Members

The total number of Team Officials that may be accredited per NF depends on the number of competing Boxers. Each Team Delegation may include the following accredited Team Officials:

- 1 Team Manager
- 1 Team Doctor (must be registered within their NOC/NF)
- 1 Physiotherapist
- 1 Dietitian/Nutritionist
- Coaches with ringside access:
 - 1-3 Boxers: Up to 3 Coaches
 - 4-8 Boxers: Up to 6 Coaches
 - 9-20 Boxers: Up to 8 Coaches

It is the responsibility of participating National Federations to ensure that all Team Members are qualified to perform their duties.

5.2. Sport Entries Check

The Sport Entries check is the final part of the event entry process and it will take place on 02 September at the Leonardo Hotel. World Boxing and the LOC will inform Teams of their exact appointment time prior to the event as well as it will be displayed on the Team information board.

The Sport Entries Check is mandatory for all Teams, and teams should make all necessary arrangements to arrive on time for their respective appointment.

Each Team may appoint a maximum of two people to attend its Sport Entries check (e.g. Team Manager and the Team Doctor).

In order to be cleared for the competition, Teams must provide the following documents for each boxer, signed and completed as required:

- Copy of Passport
- Record Book (with annual medical examination completed within the previous 12 months)
- Medical Certificate issued within the previous three months, signed by the National Federation Doctor
- Declaration of Non-Pregnancy Form (women boxers only), signed by the boxer/legal guardian
- Uniforms (red and blue) per World Boxing Competition Rules
- Signed Conditions of Participation Form for each Team Member (If form not previously submitted online)
- Signed World Boxing Code of Conduct (If form not previously submitted online)

To complete the Sport Entries process and receive accreditations, Teams must have fully settled their accommodation costs with the LOC.

Important: Failure to attend the Sport Entries Check per scheduled appointment by any Team will lead to the exclusion of the entire Team from taking part in the event with all accommodation and fees payable to the LOC forfeit.

6. VISA & ENTRY TO THE HOST COUNTRY

LOC will provide assistance to participating Teams requiring Visas but cannot guarantee their acquisition.

For information and visa support letters, please complete registration via the GMS and email BOXING@mls.gb.co. **The deadline to submit requests for visa support letters is 09 June 2025.** Visa requirements to the UK are lengthy and the standard processing time will take **at least** THREE WORKING WEEKS from when you submit your biometric data (not from the start of the visa application). Please see visa information and how to apply in the appendix. **Please complete all visa paperwork and biometric data by 01 August 2025 at the latest.**

Passports of all Championships participants must be valid for at least six months from the date of arrival and must contain blank page(s) for visa(s) and stamps.

Please note, as of March 2025, the Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) was introduced as a new requirement for visitors who currently do not need a visa for short stays to the UK, or who do not already have a UK immigration status prior to travelling. An ETA can be applied for online and will be electronically linked to the passport, giving you permission to travel to the UK. An ETA will last for two years or until the expiry date of your passport (whichever is sooner).

You will not need an ETA if you have either a visa, a permission to live/work/study in the UK or a British/Irish Passport. Further Information: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-an-electronic-travel-authorisation-eta>
It is the responsibility of participating National Federations to ensure that their Team respect the conditions of stay defined by the Government of the country hosting the event. If any participant does not respect these conditions, any costs arising will be borne by the respective National Federation.

7. INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION

The designated airport for arrival and departure of Teams are **Manchester airport (MAN)** and **Liverpool John Lennon Airport (LPL)**.

All Teams must submit their arrival and departure details to the LOC via boxing@cseplc.com by **01 August 2025 (23:59 CET)**.

For additional information or in case of any issue, please email boxing@cseplc.com or call 00 44 747 956 4737 / 00 44 773 915 6365.

Official arrival transport will be available on 01 September, 02 and 11 September 2025. Official departure transport is available on 15 September 2025.

8. GROUND TRANSPORTATION

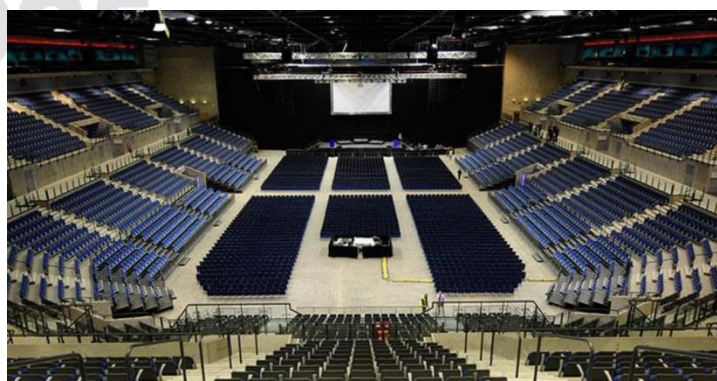
The LOC will provide airport transfers to official hotels for Teams on official arrival and departure days. Transport from designated hotels to the competition venue will not be provided as all hotels are within short walking distance. If delegations are using an unofficial hotel or an official hotel, not reserved through the LOC, they are not allowed to use the official event transportation.

Additional transportation costs will apply when airport transfers or any other transportation is required outside of event days and costings will be sought on request.

Guidance information and timetables will be displayed on event information boards in the lobby of the Event Hotel.

9. COMPETITION & TRAINING VENUE

Name	M&S Bank Arena
Address	Kings Dock, 16 Monarchs Quay, Liverpool, L3 4FP
Training booking & info	BOXING@mls.gb.co



10. ACCOMMODATION / EVENT HOTELS

Participating Teams must book their accommodation in the Event Hotels via the LOC (not directly with the hotel).

All Teams must submit their accommodation request and rooming list to the LOC via boxing@cseplc.com by the dates listed earlier.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

After the Phase 1 Entry Deadline all accommodation will be released by the LOC and may not be available for nations that have not made any bookings. It is important to note that All Nations will be committed to the room bookings they make at the Phase 1 Entry Deadline. We advise you to book your minimum requirement and liaise with the LOC on any increases that are required should your numbers change following the Phase 1 Entry. Should World Boxing change entry criteria that does not allow a selected Boxer to attend refunds will be made.

For additional information or in case of any issue, please email boxing@cseplc.com or call 00 44 747 956 4737 / 00 44 773 915 6365.

Any damage to Event Hotel property resulting from the stay of a Team will be charged to the respective National Federation and must be paid in full. Delegations are kindly requested not to dry clothing or have training sessions in the corridors of the Event Hotels.

Only accredited Event participants will be allowed to stay in the Event Hotels. Teams are being offered a 13-night package for their stay in Liverpool, rates are full board and include 3 meals per day and transportation between hotels and official airports on official travel days. Please be aware, all hotels and public spaces in the UK are non-smoking.

All meals for registered attendees will be served in their respective hotel and delegation members will only be permitted to eat in the hotel they are staying in for all meals.

The 13-night package is based on arrival Tuesday 02 September and departure Monday 15 September.

VIP Package

A 4-night package is being offered for VIP members of delegations attending only finals days.

The package is based on arrival Thursday 11 September and departure Monday 15 September and is only available in **** (4 star) accommodation.

Please use the additional form in Phase 1 Entry to request this package.

ROOM RATES *** Hotels	Rates are based on a 13-night Package FULL BOARD (Holiday Inn Express)
Single	GBP2,275.00pp (GBP175.00pppn)
Twin (double occupancy)	GBP1,755.00pp (GBP135.00pppn)
ROOM RATES **** Hotels	Rates are based on a 13-night Package FULL BOARD (Leonardo Hotel/Maldron Hotel)
Single	GBP2,405.00 (GBP185.00pppn)
Twin (double occupancy)	GBP1,820.00 (GBP140.00pppn)
Booking and information	boxing@cseplc.com 00 44 121 647 4094
ROOM RATES **** Hotels	Rates are based on a 4-night Package FULL BOARD (Leonardo Hotel/Maldron Hotel)
Single	GBP740.00 (GBP185.00pppn)
Twin (double occupancy)	GBP560.00 (GBP140.00pppn)
	NF VIP Package Only
Booking and information	boxing@cseplc.com 00 44 121 647 4094

3* Team Hotel: Holiday Inn Express

Name	Holiday Inn Express Liverpool – Albert Dock
Address	Britannia Pavilion, Albert Dock,
Website	Holiday Inn Express Liverpool-Albert Dock - Guest Reservations
Services & facilities included	Wi-Fi, Fitness Centre, Convenience Store



4* Team Hotels: Leonardo Hotel & Maldron Hotel

Name	Leonardo Hotel Liverpool
Address	31 Keel Wharf, Liverpool, L3 4FN
Website	Leonardo Hotel Liverpool UK Leonardo Hotels
Services & facilities included	Wi-Fi, Bar



Name	Maldron Hotel Liverpool
Address	2 Park Lane, Liverpool, L1 8AW
Website	Maldron Liverpool City Centre 4-Star Hotel in Liverpool
Services & facilities included	Wi-Fi, Fitness Centre



10.1. Payment terms

All Teams must cover costs of their accommodation for the entire Event Period. Accreditations will not be issued until accommodation has been paid in full to the LOC.

Bank transfer payment is accepted, and a 20% deposit payment is due for payment by **30 May 2025**.

Final balance owing to be paid in full no later than **04 July 2025**.

All payments must be received in **POUNDS STERLING (GBP)**.

Teams are responsible for covering any foreign currency or bank charges in relation to their payment.

Note that all costs are committed at the Phase 1 Entry Deadline.

11. IMAGE RIGHTS & VIDEO RECORDING

The LOC will film the event for broadcast, promotional videos and official event photographers will take still images of boxers before and during the event. All training sessions will be open to the accredited media unless a Team specifically requests otherwise. By participating in the event, each Team Member agrees to release his/her image rights to World Boxing and the LOC.

Video recording of bouts by for broadcasting purposes of any kind (including social media) will not be allowed.

National Federations may only record bouts of their boxers using one camera per ring if for technical purposes. Specific location in the venue will be reserved for this purpose. Each National Federation must submit a signed copy of Video Recording Disclaimer at the Technical Meeting to World Boxing Competition Manager.

12. MEDICAL SERVICES

The LOC will provide first aid during the entire event period to any participant who suffers from a sports injury contracted during the event.

13. ANTI-DOPING

Doping control will be conducted in accordance with World Boxing Anti-Doping Rules and World Anti-Doping Code. According to WADA regulations, blood testing may be conducted during World Boxing Competitions.

14. INSURANCE

All accredited participants must have their own travel, medical, repatriation and liability insurance covering the entire event and travel period.

15. OTHER PRACTICAL INFO

Average temperature in September: between 9°C and 17°C

Currency: GBP (British Pound), 1 GBP is approx. 1,25 USD

Time zone: UTC +1

Electricity: For the UK the plug type is G, operating on a 230V and 50Hz.

National Emergency Number: 999 and 112 can both used to contact the emergency services