

1. Purpose & Scope

This document sets out the hosting requirements for World Boxing Continental level Referee and Judge (R&J) Certification Courses. It is issued by the World Boxing Development Department and distributed to all National Federations for implementation.

All Certification Courses must be conducted under World Boxing Competition Rules and are subject to oversight by World Boxing.

2. Quotas for Certification Courses

2.1 Candidate Quota and Bout Requirements

- A maximum of two (2) R&Js from any single National Federation may be selected. At least one (1) female candidate must be registered from each National Federation. Otherwise, a maximum of one (1) R&J from any single National Federation may be selected.
- The host National Federation is permitted a maximum of five (5) National R&Js from their own federation registered to the course. At least one (1) female candidate must be registered. Otherwise, the host National Federation will only be permitted a maximum of four (4) National R&Js.
- The maximum number of candidates for a course is twenty-five (25).
- National Federations must ensure a minimum of 150 bouts take place during the tournament to accommodate 25 candidates. A minimum of 120 bouts is required for 20 candidates.

Note: If the number of participants exceeds the total quota places available, a random draw selection will be set to select the R&Js to attend the course, and the quota will be adjusted to one (1) candidate per selected NF. If quota spots are available after the draw, then the quota will be adjusted back to 2 (2) candidates per NF. This will not impact the host NF; their quota will be maintained at five (5).

Candidate Quota

Individuals from	Max. NF R&Js accepted	Max. NF R&Js registered
Host NF	20% of total candidates (see section 3.4)	10
Other NFs	2	5

Individuals from	Max. NF R&Js accepted	Max. NF R&Js registered
NFs with candidates eligible for a level above Continental	1	5

Note: These caps are intended to give a balance spread of certified World Boxing R&Js within a continent. Each NF may register a maximum of five (5) R&Js to ensure a balanced draw and maintain fairness among all participating NFs.

3. Requirements to Host a Certification Course

A National Federation wishing to host a World Boxing R&J Certification Course must satisfy the following requirements prior to approval by the World Boxing Sport Department:

3.1 Competition Standards

Two (2) types of competitions for Certification Courses for Referees and Judges:

- Multi-Nation Competition
- National Federation Competition

Note: Both options are for National to Continental level certification.

3.2. Multi-Nation Competition

Overview

A Certification Course held in conjunction with a Multi-Nation Competition that is not an advancing (qualifying) competition. The event must be conducted using World Boxing Competition Rules. This course is designed for National Federation Officials or any other officials that meet the criteria of a higher certification level.

3.3 National Federation Competition

Overview

A Certification Course held at a National Federation competition, where bouts take place in the Elite, U19, or U17 age categories. This course is designed for National Federation Officials only.

3.4 Facilities and Bout Requirements

- Sufficient ring facilities must be available (minimum 1, maximum 2 rings for Multi-Nation Certification Course quotas to apply).
- An appropriate conference room for the Theoretical session must be provided. Preferably at the same hotel the R&J Evaluators and candidates are staying.
 - Classroom style seating for 25 candidates
 - Reliable wifi
 - Audio and visual equipment to display presentation and videos
 - Coffee breaks scheduled
- Accommodation should be a minimum 3-star international standard and transport arrangements must be confirmed.
- Bout Requirements

Minimum Bouts	Max. Candidates	Course Limit
150 bouts	25 R&Js	25 R&Js
120 bouts	20 R&Js	20 R&Js

Note: The host NF would be eligible to have 5 R&Js accepted in a competition with 150 bouts and 4 R&Js accepted in a competition with 120 bouts.

3.5 R&J Evaluator Requirements

The host National Federation must facilitate the attendance of four (4) World Boxing R&J Evaluators for the duration of the course. The minimum panel required for valid evaluations is three (3) Evaluators; the fourth is required as a contingency.

- Four (4) R&J Evaluators must be engaged for the Certification Course.
- All Evaluators must be World Boxing-appointed or approved by the World Boxing Sport Department.
- For Multi-Nation Tournaments, the host country must supply between two (2) and four (4) World Boxing Certified R&Js in accordance with Section 2.1.2.

3.6 Financial Obligations — Estimated Hosting Costs

The following table outlines the estimated costs a National Federation should expect when hosting a World Boxing R&J Certification Course, based on four (4) R&J Evaluators:

Expense Item	Unit Cost (USD)	Quantity	Total (USD)
Airfare (average per ticket)	\$1,500	4 Evaluators	\$6,000
Hotel – Single Occupancy (avg. 7 days)	\$1,200	4 Evaluators	\$4,800
Per Diem – Course Days (avg. 7 days)	\$75	4 Evaluators	\$2,100
ESTIMATED TOTAL HOSTING COST			\$11,000 – \$15,000

Note: The course fee for the R&Js (\$500 each) would offset most of the expenses.

3.6.1 Per Diem Policy

A per diem allowance applies as follows:

- Standard daily rate (course days): USD \$75 per Evaluator, per day.

Important — Per Diem Payment Responsibility

The per diem rate is set and paid by World Boxing. It is not to be paid directly by the host National Federation to the R&J Evaluators.

Direct financial payments from a National Federation to R&J Evaluators would constitute a conflict of interest. Any such arrangement is strictly prohibited under World Boxing policy.

3.7 Host Registration

Host Registration Link	World Boxing R&J Certification Course Hosting Bid – Fill out form
Document submission Link (Comp. schedule and hotel details)	https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1l9n8Gdbir2fv2h3QJP033kdXOq-V3EWg?usp=sharing
Deadline Date	21 August 2026

Important Note:

Please ensure the tournament being registered to host a course is scheduled at least three (3) months from the host registration deadline noted above.

4. Contact & Further Information

For all enquiries relating to the R&J Certification Course programme, please contact World Boxing at officials@worldboxing.org.