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**EUBC Open Balkan Men & Women
Boxing Championships**

Pale 2025
(Elite, Youth, Junior)

12 October - 20 October

TEAM DELEGATIONS' HANDBOOK

Version 1.0

- * EUBC reserves the right to update this handbook as and when required.
- * This Handbook must be read in conjunction with the IBA Technical and Competition Rules.



DR. IOANNIS FILIPPATOS
President
European Boxing Confederation

Dear Friends of Boxing,

On behalf of the President of the European Boxing Confederation (EUBC), it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the **Open Balkan Boxing Championship**, which will be held this October in **Pale, Republic of Srpska**. This championship, open to **all age and weight categories for both men and women** and welcoming **participants from all over the world**, represents an exceptional opportunity to showcase the talent and dedication of our athletes. It is also an important occasion to strengthen international and regional cooperation, foster friendship among athletes, coaches, and officials, and promote the values of respect, discipline, and fair play that define the sport of boxing.

We wish all participants successful bouts, excellent results, and an unforgettable stay in Pale, Republic of Srpska. May this event inspire the next generation of champions and contribute to the further growth of boxing both in the Balkans and worldwide.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ioannis Filippatos', written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Ioannis Filippatos
President
European Boxing Confederation



NENAD BOROVCANIN

President
SERBIAN BOXING FEDERATION

It is our great pleasure and honor to welcome you to the **Open Balkan Boxing Championship**, which will be held this October in **Pale, Republic of Srpska**. Pale, a city renowned for its stunning natural landscapes and rich cultural and historical heritage, provides an ideal setting for this important event. We encourage you to enjoy the beauty of our surroundings and the warmth of our hospitality during your stay.

We are very proud to host a high-level international competition open to **all age and weight categories for men and women**, welcoming **participants from around the world**. This championship represents a unique opportunity to promote boxing at all levels, strengthen regional and global cooperation, and support the development of new talents in the sport.

We firmly believe that the **Serbian Boxing Federation**, as the organizer, will deliver an outstanding event, and that both competitors and spectators will enjoy this exciting tournament to the fullest.

We are looking forward to welcoming all of you in **Pale, Republic of Srpska**, and wish all participants fair fights, great results, and an unforgettable experience.

With kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nenad Borovcanin', on a white background.

Nenad Borovcanin

President

Serbian Boxing Federation

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1. ORGANISER

The Boxing Federation of Serbia, affiliated with IBA and EUBC, has been entrusted with the organization of the Open Balkan Boxing Championship in Pale, Republic of Srpska, in October 2025.

This will be an open competition, welcoming participants from all over the world and including all age and weight categories for both men and women.

Athletes, coaches, and officials from every country are invited to join this prestigious event and contribute to the promotion and development of boxing on a global level.

CONTACTS

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Competition related	office@eubcboxing.org
Press & Media related	media@eubcboxing.org
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2. COVID-19 PROTOCOL

The event is approved as professional sport event with a very strict countermeasure concept and if required, the EUBC Event Management Protocol for COVID-19 will be implemented according to the current COVID-19 situation in the Host City at the time of the Championships. There will be an update regarding all the requirements and protocols to be followed.

3. COMPETITION REGULATIONS and OFFICIALS

3.1. Regulations

- The Championships will be organized based on IBA Technical & Competition Rules.
- The Official Draw will be conducted by IBA Approved Scoring System through an electronic draw.

4.2 Competition Officials

- The Technical Delegate will be **Mr. Waldemar Mencil**.
- This Championships is a Continental, IBA-sanctioned Event and will be officiated by IBA-certified International Technical Officials and IBA-certified 2-Star and 3-Star Referees & Judges.

4. EVENT SCHEDULE

5.1 Event Period

The event dates are 12th to 20th October 2025, and the schedule will include the following:

- 12 October – Arrivals, Sport Entries Check
- 13 October – Sport Entries Check, Technical Meeting, Official Draw
- 14 October – Day 1 – 24 bouts (two session)
- 15 October – Day 2 – 20 bouts (two session)
- 16 October – Day 3 – 22 bouts (two session)
- 17 October – Day 4 – 24 bouts (two session)
- 18 October – Finals – 32 bouts (youth , junior)
- 19 October – Finals – 25 bouts (elite)
- 20 October – Departures

NOTE: The final schedule with dates and times will be decided accordingly with the Technical Delegate and LOC, and all Teams will be notified.

TRAINING: Teams will be given a schedule for training times at the Official Training Venue. They will be allowed to train ONLY during the period that they have been assigned. The Schedule will be posted on the Information Board at Team Hotels & Coaches will be informed.

5.2 Training Camp

The training camp will take place in Zlatibor from 29.09.2025. until 11.10.2025. Please contact balkanboxing2025@gmail.com for further information and to make the necessary arrangements about accommodation and travel.

5. REGISTRATIONS

6.1 Boxers

- Elite Men and Women Boxers
 - Age Eligibility: Boxers born from 01st January 1985 to 31st December 2004
 - (Boxers who are 19 - 40 years old based on the year of birth)

Only one boxer per National Federation per weight category will be allowed to compete. National Federations may register a maximum of one main boxer and up to two reserve boxers for each of the weight categories listed below:

MEN

#	Weight Category	over Kg	to Kg
1	Minimumweight	46	48
2	Flyweight	48	51
3	Bantamweight	51	54
4	Featherweight	54	57
5	Lightweight	57	60
6	Light Welterweight	60	63.5
7	Welterweight	63.5	67
8	Light Middleweight	67	71
9	Middleweight	71	75
10	Light Heavyweight	75	80
11	Cruiserweight	80	86
12	Heavyweight	86	92
13	Super Heavyweight	92	-

WOMEN

#	Weight Category	over Kg	to Kg
1	Minimumweight	45	48
2	Light Flyweight	48	50
3	Flyweight	50	52
4	Bantamweight	52	54
5	Featherweight	54	57
6	Lightweight	57	60
7	Light Welterweight	60	63
8	Welterweight	63	66
9	Light Middleweight	66	70
10	Middleweight	70	75
11	Light Heavyweight	75	81
12	Heavyweight	81	-

YOUTH MEN BOXERS

#	Weight Category	over Kg	to Kg
1	Minimumweight	46	48
2	Flyweight	48	51
3	Bantamweight	51	54
4	Featherweight	54	57
5	Lightweight	57	60
6	Light Welterweight	60	63.5
7	Welterweight	63.5	67
8	Light Middleweight	67	71
9	Middleweight	71	75
10	Light Heavyweight	75	80
11	Cruiserweight	80	86
12	Heavyweight	86	92
13	Super Heavyweight	92	-

YOUTH WOMEN BOXERS

#	Weight Category	over Kg	to Kg
1	Minimumweight	45	48
2	Light Flyweight	48	50
3	Flyweight	50	52
4	Bantamweight	52	54
5	Featherweight	54	57
6	Lightweight	57	60
7	Light Welterweight	60	63
8	Welterweight	63	66
9	Light Middleweight	66	70
10	Middleweight	70	75
11	Light Heavyweight	75	81
12	Heavyweight	81	-

JUNIOR BOYS AND GIRLS BOXERS

#	Weight Category	over Kg	to Kg
1	Pin	44	46
2	Light Fly	46	48
3	Fly	48	50
4	Light Bantam	50	52
5	Bantam	52	54
6	Feather	54	57
7	Light	57	60
8	Light Welter	60	63
9	Welter	63	66
10	Light Middle	66	70
11	Middle	70	75
12	Light Heavy	75	80
13	Heavy	80	-

- All registrations must be done through the IBA database (<https://iba-database.sport/nf>)
- Entering reserve boxers in the database is strongly encouraged to allow an option of substituting boxers prior to the Sport Entries Check without penalties.

6.2 Team Officials

Each Team Delegation can register the following number of Team Officials:

- 1 Team Manager
- 1 Team Doctor
- 1 Physiotherapist
- 1 IBA Certified Team Cut Technician
- Number of coaches according to the table below:
 - 1–3 Boxers: Up to 3 Coaches
 - 4–8 Boxers: Up to 6 Coaches
 - 9 – 13 Boxers: Up to 7 Coaches
 - 13 – 26 Boxers: Up to 10 Coaches

6.2.1 Coaches

- Only IBA certified coaches (1, 2 or 3 star) can be registered as a Coach for this Championships. National Level coaches (not certified by IBA) are not allowed to serve as seconds and can only be registered as Extra Persons.

If your Team Delegation does not have an IBA Certified coach (1, 2 or 3 star), please raise this issue at the Technical Meeting, so arrangements can be made with another team.

- Each Boxer will be entitled to be accompanied to the ring by up to three (3) coaches. However, only two (2) Coaches may mount the apron of the ring and only one (1) may enter the ring.
- One of the 3 coaches can be replaced by an IBA Certified Team Cut Technician.

6.3 Extra Officials – Team official (to work with the team)

Each National Federation has the possibility to register **up to two** additional extra team officials. Extra Officials will have access to Team Stands and Training Venue, but will NOT have access to warm-up areas in the Competition Venue and will NOT be allowed to serve as seconds. Extra team officials must be accommodated in the team hotels in order to be accredited.

It is the responsibility of respective National Delegations to ensure that all Team Delegations Members hold the required certification and are qualified to perform their duties.

6.4 National Federation Representatives (President, Secretary General, etc.) or VIPs

Each team must inform the LOC (balkanboxing2025@gmail.com) and EUBC Office (office@eubcboxing.org) about any national federation representatives or VIPs who will attend the Championships on behalf of the NF.

6.5 Process and deadlines

Registration will open on 14 October 2024

All registrations for Team Delegations will have to be made through the IBA database (<https://iba-database.sport/nf>)

Registration for	Done by	Deadline
Boxers	National Federations via IBA Database	05.10.2025.(23:59 GMT)
Team Officials and Extra Officials	National Federations via IBA Database	05.10.2025.(23:59 GMT)
NF Representatives	National Federations via IBA Database ("Extra Officials" Section)	05.10.2025.(23:59 GMT)
*Referees & Judges (IBA 2 & 3 star)	National Federations via IBA Database	05.10.2025.(23:59 GMT)
Rooming List	National Federations via IBA Database ("room request" section) and by email to the LOC	05.10.2025.(23:59 GMT)
Arrival/Departure time of Team Delegation	National Federations via IBA Database and by email to LOC	05.10.2025.(23:59 GMT)

***Important:**

National Federations dispatching Team Delegations are required to appoint an IBA-certified 2-Star and 3-Star Referees & Judges and register the R&J via the IBA Database and also send the name of the candidate to EUBC Office at office@eubcboxing.org no later than **5 October 2024**. The list of the appointed Referees & Judges will be sent to EUBC Referee & Judge Committee for approval, and then further to IBA. In case of any issue regarding the R&J's appointment, EUBC will contact National Federations in order to appoint a replacement. **Please respect the deadline of providing the name of the nominated R&J.**

6.6 Late registration fees

Please note, that EUBC has introduced a system of fines in order to support the organizers of Continental Championships and ensure timely submission of all registration information. EUBC encourages all National Federations to plan timely and diligently to avoid these fines.

Offence	Penalty Amount	Remarks
Late registration/replacement of a boxer	€ 200	Must be paid prior to Sport Entries Check
Late registration/replacement of a coach, team manager, doctor, cut technician, physio or R&J	€ 100	Must be paid prior to Sport Entries Check
Registration of a new boxer at the Sport Entries Check without any prior notice	€ 500	Must be paid prior to Sport Entries Check & confirmed by respective National Federation
Failure to appoint an appropriately certified R&J	€ 500	Applicable to all Team Delegations / Must be paid prior to Sport Entries Check

6. ACCREDITATIONS

All Team Delegation members registered for the event through the IBA Database within the deadline will receive their accreditations on site after the LOC has approved the accommodation payment.

All photos must be sent to the LOC for preparation of the Accreditations.

Please contact balkanboxing2025@gmail.com until 05 October 2025

Accreditations will be given out only upon presentation of a passport.

The Accreditation Center will be located at the Royal Spa Hotel.

7. SPORT ENTRIES CHECK

The Sport Entries Check will take place on 13th October 2025. Please make sure to arrive in Pale on 13th October 2025. EUBC and LOC will inform Team Delegations of their exact appointment time prior to the event (the schedule will also be displayed at Team Delegation Information Desks). The Sport Entries Check is **mandatory** for all Team Delegations, and teams should make all necessary

arrangements to attend their appointment on time.

Each Team delegation can appoint a maximum of 2 persons to attend the Sport Entries Check. EUBC recommends to each team to send the Team Manager and/or the Team Doctor and/or the Head Coach.

Each Team Delegation's representatives will have an appointment with the Officials to confirm the entry list of their delegation, the spelling of boxers' names, the uniforms, national flag and anthem and to present the official documents listed below.

Your representative(s) must present:

1. National Passports of each boxer.
2. Record Books of each boxer (with annual medical examination completed within the previous 12 months)
3. Results of Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C and HIV tests, not older than 6 months
4. IBA Medical certificates issued within the last 30 days for each boxer.
5. Declaration of Non-Pregnancy Form for each female boxer, signed and dated
6. Anti-doping consent forms signed by each boxer.
7. Video consent form signed by team manager/head coach.
8. Code of Conduct Enforcement signed by team manager/head coach.
9. Boxer's uniform examples.

To complete the Sport Entries process and receive accreditations, all Team Delegations must have fully paid the LOC for their accommodation.

NOTE

The EUBC Office will send all Sport Entries Check forms to National Federations

IMPORTANT

- Please note that the presence of your representative is mandatory. In the event where Team Delegation Representatives do not show-up to the scheduled appointment, the entire Team will be disqualified.
- All Documents Must Be Presented

8. VISA & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- The Organiser will provide assistance for Visas if required.
 - For all information, please contact: balkanboxing2025@gmail.com
 - Subsequently, you will receive an invitation letter that is necessary to apply the Visa.
- The process for obtaining a visa for Bulgaria will be as follows:
 - Team delegations who need a Visa must immediately request it at the Bulgarian Embassy/Consulate of their country.

The deadline to request assistance and visa support letter is 31 October 2024.

9. TRANSPORTATION

10.1 International Transportation

- All travel information related to the Team Delegation must be entered in the IBA Database during the registration and additionally sent to the LOC at balkanboxing2025@gmail.com
- The airport of arrival and departure will be **Nikola Tesla Belgrade**.
- In case of requiring any kind of assistance at the airport, please contact the LOC at tel:
+381658525820 Tijana Vlahovic
+381656673396 Uros Jakovljevic

Deadline to submit arrival and departure information: 10 October 2024
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10.2 Local Transportation

- Local transportation will be provided by the organizers to and from the airports, as well as between Team Hotel(s) and Competition/Training venues in case of need.
- Guidance information and timetables will be displayed on information boards in the lobby of each Team Hotel.

10. ACCOMMODATION

11.1 Team Delegations Hotels

Members of Team Delegations and Team Delegations' Staff who have "Extra Team Official" accreditation, such as national coaches, additional doctors/physiotherapists, and nutritionists can stay at the Team Delegations' Hotels.

NF Representatives cannot stay at Team Delegations' Hotels.

All Team Delegations must cover costs of their accommodation for the entire period of the Championships (Event Period). Accreditations will not be issued until accommodation has been paid in full to the LOC.

PLEASE SEND ROOMING LIST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO THE LOC

Team Hotel

1. RAJSKA DOLINA 4****, Miloša Crnjanskog 82, Jahorina

Distance from venue: 10 minutes



Type of Room	Price per person
Single Occupancy	110 Euros
Double/ Triple Occupancy	90 Euros

All room rates are per person, per night, with three meals per day (buffet).
Double occupancy room rates are based on two people sharing one room. Wifi available.

11.2 R&J Hotel

Type of Room	Price per person
Single Occupancy	
Double/ Triple Occupancy	

Only R&Js and other Competition Officials will be accommodated at this hotel. The costs of accommodation for the R&Js must be paid in full to the LOC.

11.3 VIP Hotel

Type of Room	Price per person
Single Occupancy	
Double Occupancy	

All room rates are per person, per night, with three meals per day (buffet).
Double occupancy room rates are based on two people sharing one room. Wifi available.

11.4 Payment conditions

All Team Delegations must pay their **full room charges** as above for the entire Championships Period 12 October to 20 October 2025 by 05 October, 2025, payment can be made by bank transfer or by cash upon arrival in hotel Rajska dolina before getting accreditations

All NFS are covering costs for FULL LENGHT OF TOURNAMENT.

All NFs need to pay touristic tax 3 euros in cash per day per person upon arrival.

BANK INFORMATION

CORRESP. BANK:

**SWIFT: BCITITMM
INTESA SANPAOLO SPA
PIAZZA DELLA SCALA 6, MILANO
ITALY**

BENEF. BANK:

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Bokserski savez Srbije
TERAZIJE 45
Beograd (Stari Grad)
REPUBLIKA SRBIJA**

11. COMPETITION & TRAINING VENUE

12.1 Competition Venue – Sports Hall “Peki” Srpskih ratnika 40, Pale



12. 2 Training Venue

Sportski centar Peki

12. IMAGE RIGHTS & TECHNICAL VIDEO RECORDING

A Host Broadcaster will film promotional videos and official Championships photographers will take photos of boxers before and during the Championships. All training sessions will be open to the media unless a Team Delegation specifically requests otherwise. By participating in the Championships, each Team Delegation Member agrees to release his/her image rights to EUBC.

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

National Federations may be allowed to record bouts of their boxers with not more than one camera per ring, exclusively for technical purposes. Specific location in the venue will be reserved for this purpose. Each National Federation must submit a signed copy of the Video Consent Form at the Sport Entries Check.

13. DOPING CONTROL

Anti-doping controls will be conducted in accordance with the IBA Anti-Doping Rules and the World Anti-Doping Code. We want to remind you that according to WADA regulations, from 2016, blood testing may be conducted during IBA Competitions.

TUE must be submitted through the ADAMS system no later than the 01 October 2025

14. MEDICAL CARE

The LOC will provide medical care and first-aid during the entire Championships Period to any participant who suffers from a sports injury contracted during the Championships.

Nearest hospital with Accident & Emergency (A&E):

Name: Zdravstveni Centar PaleSvetosavska 18, Pale

Website: <https://domzdravljapale.ba/>

Distance from competition venue: 8 minutes walking

National Medical Emergency Telephone Number: 194

15. INSURANCE

All participants are requested to get their own travel and medical insurance as the LOC will provide liability insurance for all participants only at the Competition Venue.

16. OTHER PRACTICAL INFO

1. Average temperatures in October are about 15 degrees
2. Language: Serbian
3. Currency: Dinar
4. Exchange rate: 1 EUR = 1,96 BAM (official)

**exchange offices can take commission or lower the rate*