



R&J CERTIFICATION PATHWAY

World Boxing rules must be applied consistently by all officials at every level. It is essential that Referees and Judges (R&Js) thoroughly read and understand the World Boxing Competition Rules, becoming experts in their application.

As a preliminary step in certifying World Boxing Referees and Judges, there is an opportunity for individuals with proven international experience to become certified without attending a course. Certification at this stage will be based on demonstrated experience and tested knowledge.

Once a team of instructors has been established, World Boxing will begin offering certification courses for national-level R&Js seeking World Boxing certification

The following information details the pathway on becoming a World Boxing certified R&J.

Certification process:

- Prior to registering individuals, read the certification level and criteria to understand if the R&J that will be registered is eligible.
- NF to use the registration link provided in this communication to register eligible R&Js prior to the deadline date.
- World Boxing will review the candidates within 2 weeks after the registration deadline.
- After the conclusion of the eligibility review, World Boxing will send communication directly to the R&J with either online examination links that are required to complete or a message explaining why they are not eligible.
- If an individual successfully completes the online examination, World Boxing will confirm their certification level.
 - Certification is provisional pending background check results.
- Background checks will be implemented for all International and InterContinental R&Js.

Certifications consist of an online exam with two modules: one containing twenty-five (25) questions on World Boxing Competition Rules and another with twenty (20) questions on Sport Integrity.

R&Js must pass the online certification with a score of (80%) or greater in each module to achieve the certification of a World Boxing R&J.

World Boxing R&J Certification Levels and eligibility

This section details the process of certifying current non-World Boxing certified R&Js to World Boxing certified R&Js which will be based on prior verified experience.

- **Continental level**
 - Must have participated in one (1) to three (3) International tournaments (with at least five (5) NFs involved in each tournament) since 2018
- **InterContinental level**
 - Must have participated a minimum of four (4) International Tournaments since 2018 whereas the following criteria have been met.
 - 1 tournament with 20+ NFs participating
 - 2 tournaments with a minimum of five (5) NFs participating.
- **International Level**
 - Must have participated in a minimum of four (4) International tournaments since 2018, whereas at least one (1) tournament with 40+ NFs were participating or
 - One (1) of the Olympic Continental Qualifiers, World Qualifiers for the Tokyo 2020 or Paris 2024 Games.

World Boxing R&J – Certification Maintenance

The certification of an R&J is maintained based on their performance. A relegation system based on performance has been developed to ensure R&Js continue to strive for a high-performance level.

This framework evaluates an individual's performance to determine whether they maintain, advance, or drop to a lower certification level. This system ensures that only those consistently meeting the required standards retain their certification level while providing opportunities for improvement and progression.

Certification level

International R&J Level - High Performers

InterContinental R&J Level - Mid-level Performers

Continental R&J Level - Standard Performers

Here are the standards for maintaining, advancing or dropping to a lower certification level:

Maintenance of Certification level

- **International R&J level:**
 - Achieving a minimum performance score of 85% or higher using the average from the previous three (3) tournaments.
- **InterContinental R&J level:**
 - Achieving a minimum performance score between 81% - 84% using the average from the previous three (3) tournaments.
- **Continental R&J level:**
 - Achieving a minimum performance score between 78% - 80% using the average from the previous three (3) tournaments.

Advancement of Certification level

- **International R&J level:**
 - This is the highest certification and the performance score of 85% must be maintained to remain certified at this level.
- **Advancement from InterContinental to International level:**
 - Achieving a minimum performance score of 85% or higher using the average from the previous three (3) tournaments.
- **Advancement from Continental to InterContinental R&J level:**
 - Achieving a minimum performance score between 81% or higher using the average from the previous three (3) tournaments.
- **Advance from National to Continental R&J level**
 - Certified as a National R&J for at least 5 years.
 - Successfully pass R&J certification course with an overall score of 80% or higher

Relegation to a lower Certification level

- **WORLD BOXING - Continental to National Federation R&J level**

- Evaluation scores below 78% using the average from the previous three (3) tournaments.
- Inactivity as an R&J at International Competition for four (4) years or more.
- No longer a member in good standing of the National Federation for more than two (2) years, the R&J will be downgraded.

- **WORLD BOXING – InterContinental to Continental R&J level**

- Evaluation Scores below 81% using the average from the previous three (3) tournaments, after advancement to the Continental R&J Level.
- Inactivity as an R&J at World Boxing International competitions for (3) years or more.

- **WORLD BOXING – International to InterContinental R&J level**

- Evaluation Scores below 85% using the average from the previous three (3) tournaments, after advancement to the International R&J Level.
- Inactivity as an R&J at World Boxing International competitions for (3) years or more.

This system ensures fairness, accountability, and continuous development, maintaining the highest standards within the certification framework.

Registration link: [National Federation - R&J Submission Form](#)

Deadline date: 30 April 2025