

BOXING ACT APPEALS TRIBUNAL

1. In this section, the term “association” refers to the Board of Boxing ACT Incorporated
2. A boxer may lodge a notice of appeal against his or her non-selection for a team, or against his or her dismissal from the team. The notice shall be in writing and must be delivered to the Secretary of the association within 72 hours of the announcement of the decision which is being appealed
3. Within 5 working days of receipt by the association of the notice of appeal, the boxer shall submit to the Secretary of the association a written statement fully setting out the grounds for the appeal, accompanied by a non-refundable deposit of \$100 payable to the association
4. Appeals shall be heard by an independent Appeals Tribunal which shall be appointed by the association upon receipt of a notice of appeal.
5. Prior to the hearing of the appeal, the association will provide the Appeals Tribunal with a statement of reasons for the decision against which the boxer is appealing
6. The Tribunal shall consist of a chairperson who shall be a barrister or solicitor, and a second person with a thorough knowledge of the sport. A third person with skills and experience suitable to the Tribunal’s purpose may also be appointed.
7. No person shall be appointed as a Tribunal member if they hold a position on the Committee or Board of the association, or if their impartiality could reasonably be questioned by virtue of their relationship with the appellant or any other person whose interests may be affected by the outcome of a Tribunal decision.
8. Should an appellant challenge the impartiality of any member of the Tribunal, that challenge will be determined by the chairperson of the Tribunal and is final
9. The Tribunal:
 - 9.1 shall observe the principles of natural justice;
 - 9.2 is not bound by the rules of evidence;
 - 9.3 will conduct its hearings with minimal formality and technicality;
 - 9.4 may conduct its business via telephone or video conferencing;
 - 9.5 shall only hear complaints where it is satisfied that grounds for appeal exist;
 - 9.6 shall not permit parties to an appeal to be represented by a barrister or solicitor;
 - 9.7 shall ensure that any party whose interests may be affected by the outcome of an appeal be invited to appear at any hearing and/or make submissions;
 - 9.8 shall notify its decision and reasons for same to the parties to the appeal, and to the Secretary of the association;
 - 9.9 may uphold a selection decision;
 - 9.10 may declare a selection decision invalid and in such case shall normally refer the matter back to the selection panel for determination in accordance with selection criteria;
 - 9.11 may declare a selection decision invalid and in exceptional circumstances may substitute its own decision if it considers it to be desirable in the circumstances.
10. The sole grounds for a boxer to appeal to the Tribunal are that:
 - 10.1 the selection criteria have not been properly followed; or
 - 10.2 the boxer was not afforded a reasonable opportunity to satisfy the selection criteria; or
 - 10.3 the decision was affected by bias; or
 - 10.4 there was no material on which the original selection decision could reasonably be based.
11. The decision of the Appeals Tribunal is final.