



2021 USA Boxing Tournament Bracket Seeding Methodology

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Bracket Seeding: Boxers will be awarded seeds based upon their performance at previous National Events. The Seeding Methodology will be different than what was done at previous events. Note that Seeding will be done AFTER the close of registration and that any preliminary seeding published will be considered tentative.

Changes in Seeding Method: The previous tournament bracket seeding methodology was based upon the USA Boxing boxer rankings at the time of the event. These rankings only considered one previous year of events and points awarded to a boxer stayed at the age & weight division at which they were acquired. This method often resulted in inaccurate, inconsistent and irrelevant seeds. The new methodology will consider a longer history of results and reward boxers that have had both recent and extended success at the National level. Furthermore, the parameters will be set with the intention that seeds be more exclusive and harder to obtain which will give them greater value since they give the boxer an advantage in the bracketing.

This update 2.0 utilizes boxers total wins at National Events rather than winning percentage.

This methodology cannot anticipate every possible scenario and in cases of discrepancy, the Event Manager will have sole and final decision-making authority in consultation with the Tournament Supervisor, Bracket Manager, Administrative Staff and USA Boxing National Office Directors to make modifications that avoid discrepancies and serve the objectives listed above.

For Questions, Corrections, Clarifications and/or Suggestions, contact the USA Boxing Events Department at (719) 866-2307 or e-mail MCampbell@USABoxing.org

Seeding Criteria: Seeding will be awarded within three Tiers. The objective for boxers at USA Boxing National Tournaments is to achieve a spot on the USA Boxing High Performance (HP) Squad, aka Team USA. Therefore Tier 1 will be based upon the HP Boxer Rankings.

Tier 2 will be returning National Champions from the previous year’s USA Boxing National Championships. ONLY National Champions in the Elite, Youth & Junior divisions will be considered for Tier 2. When multiple returning National Champions are in the same bracket, they will be sorted first by boxers returning in the same Age Division and then boxers that are moving up into a new Age Division.

Tier 3 will be based upon the boxers’ total match WINS at previous National Tournaments. Note that previously this was based on Winning Percentage. Depending upon the Age Division, a boxer must meet the minimum national bout criteria to be eligible for a seed, as displayed in the table below.

Only the Elite, Youth, Junior, Intermediate & Bantam divisions will be seeded.

Seeding Criteria - Three Tiers

1. Boxer’s Ranking within USA Boxing High Performance Team
 - Ordered by HP Ranking
2. Previous year’s USA Boxing National Champion
 - In case of any ties, Tier 3 will be used to decide order
3. Winning Percentage at previous National Tournaments
 - Based on results reported in MatchTracker
 - All USA Boxing National Tournaments as well as selected progressive, advancing National Tournaments will be considered (see list below)
 - Must have minimum number of wins based upon Age Division (table below)
 - Max number of total seeds awarded will be less than ~25% of entries in bracket

MINIMUM NUMBER OF NATIONAL TOURNAMENT WINS REQUIRED TO BE SEEDED

Division	Male	Female
Elite	8	5
Youth	7	4
Junior	6	3
Intermediate	5	2
Bantam	4	1

MatchTracker Tournament Results Included in Boxers' Total Wins for Seeding

Event	State	Start	End
2020 USA Boxing National Championships	LA	3/26/2021	4/3/2021
2020 National Silver Gloves	MO	1/30/2020	2/1/2020
2020 U.S. Olympic Team Trials for Boxing Box-Off	CO	1/4/2020	1/4/2020
2019 USA Boxing Elite & Youth National Championships and Junior Open	LA	12/9/2019	12/16/2019
2019 Last Chance Qualifier & National PAL Championships	CA	11/3/2019	11/9/2019
2019 Eastern Elite Qualifier & Regional Open Championships	OH	10/6/2019	10/12/2019
2019 National Junior Olympics, Prep Nationals and Youth Open	WI	6/23/2019	6/29/2019
2019 National Golden Gloves	TN	5/6/2019	5/11/2019
2019 Western Elite Qualifier & Regional Open Championships	NV	3/23/2019	3/30/2019
2019 Pan American Games Box-Off	CO	3/8/2019	3/9/2019
2019 National Silver Gloves	MO	1/31/2019	2/2/2019
2018 USA Boxing Elite & Youth National Championships and Junior Open	UT	12/1/2018	12/8/2018
2018 Eastern Elite Qualifier & Regional Open Championships	TN	10/6/2018	10/13/2018
2018 National Junior Olympics, Prep Nationals and Youth Open	WV	6/24/2018	6/30/2018
2018 National Golden Gloves	NE	5/14/2018	5/19/2018
2018 Masters Open	NM	3/9/2018	3/10/2018
2018 Western Elite Qualifier & Regional Open Championships	NM	3/4/2018	3/13/2018
2017 USA Boxing Elite & Youth National Championships and Junior Open	UT	12/3/2017	12/9/2017
2017 Eastern Elite Qualifier & Regional Open Championships	TN	10/15/2017	10/21/2017
2017 National Junior Olympics, Prep Nationals and Youth Open	WV	6/25/2017	7/1/2017
2017 Western Elite Qualifier & Regional Open Championships	NM	3/21/2017	3/25/2017
2016 USA Boxing National Championships	MO	12/5/2016	12/10/2016
2016 USA Boxing National Junior Olympics	TX	6/26/2016	7/2/2016
2016 USA Boxing Junior Open & Youth National Championships	NV	1/5/2016	1/9/2016
2016 Men's Olympic Team Trials	NV	12/7/2015	12/13/2015
2016 USA Boxing Women's World Championships Team Trial	NV	12/7/2015	12/10/2015
2016 Olympic Team Trial's for Women's Boxing	MD	10/26/2015	11/1/2015
2015 Pathway to Glory Olympic Men's Trials Qualifier III	PA	10/24/2015	10/28/2015
2015 Pathway to Glory Women's Olympic Trials Qualifier II	MD	9/7/2015	9/11/2015
2015 Pathway to Glory Olympic Men's Trials Qualifier II	PA	9/5/2015	9/12/2015
2015 Pathway to the Podium Olympic Trials Qualifier 1	CO	6/22/2015	6/27/2015
2015 Junior Olympic National Championships	WV	6/9/2015	6/11/2015
2015 USA Boxing Elite National Championships	WA	1/19/2015	1/24/2015
2015 USA Boxing Junior Open & Youth National Championships	NV	1/4/2015	1/9/2015
2015 WSB & World Team Trials	TN	12/1/2014	12/5/2014
2014 USA Boxing Elite National Championships	WA	1/20/2014	1/25/2014
2014 USA Boxing Junior & Youth Open	NV	1/7/2014	1/11/2014
2013 USA Boxing National Championships	WA	4/1/2013	4/6/2013
2012 USA Boxing National Championships	CO	2/26/2012	3/3/2012