

Boxing – Taylor confident ahead of Postol bout



Josh Taylor (left) and Viktor Postol at the press conference for the big fight in Glasgow

Josh Taylor, the unbeaten WBC silver super lightweight champion, believes his bout with Viktor Postol will be his toughest fight to date.

The East Lothian boxer has an unblemished 12-fight record as a professional but No 1 ranked contender Postol is dangerous.

He has only lost one of his 29 fights to date and the pair square-up in a WBC title final eliminator on Saturday, June 23 at the SSE Hydro in Glasgow.

Taylor said: "It's great to be fighting in Glasgow. Every time I've been here since the Commonwealth Games the reception has been unbelievable.

"This is definitely the biggest fight of my career to date. Viktor is someone I have a lot of respect for and he's shared a ring with some top opposition, but I won't waste this chance

to fight for a world title.

“I don’t know exactly how the fight is going to unfold on June 23, but I know that it’ll be a Josh Taylor win. There’s no way I’m losing this fight in front of those fans.”

Postol said: “I know that Josh Taylor is confident, otherwise he would not have taken this fight.

“He is a good boxer, he has a lot of knockouts and I know how dangerous he is.”

Postol added: “It’s a hard fight to predict, but I know that we both want to win by KO. I think I can take a big step towards becoming a world champion once again.”

Promoter Barry McGuigan said: “This is the most important fight of Josh’s career and it’s the final hurdle before we get to fight for the world title.

“It’s against a very dangerous opponent. Viktor Postol is someone we have a great deal of respect for. This is a major fight for world boxing.”