**2023 Northern New England Golden Gloves**

**Fact Sheet & Rules**

The Golden Gloves of America, as an affiliate member of USA Boxing, has the right to make some exceptions to the rules and policies of USA Boxing. Please make note of the following key points of the New England Golden Gloves policy, some of which differ from the rules of USA Boxing.

**REGISTRATION & ELIGIBILITY**

**All entries for the 2023 Northern New England Golden Gloves must be submitted via:**

**Mail: 24 Rochester St., Berwick, ME 03901**

**or Email:** [**info@jassboxing.org**](mailto:info@jassboxing.org)

**Entry deadline: Saturday, January 7th, 2023.**

BOXERS:

The 2023 Northern New England Golden Gloves tournament is open to male and female boxers 18 years or older in both the novice and open/elite class. Boxers must be no younger than 18 years of age at the start of the tournament and no older than 40 at the completion of the tournament.

* **All boxers must be currently registered with USA boxing.** Before weighing in, all boxers must present their passbook with 2023 membership card showing a verified date of birth and a current athlete physical which is valid for the date of competition (i.e., documents must be uploaded to USA Boxing membership profile in advance).
* **Those competing in Olympic weight divisions must be US citizens.**
* **Legal non-citizens may compete in non-Olympic weight classes.**

COACHES:

All coaches must be registered (membership fee paid) and certified (clinic attended/test completed) with USA Boxing. Current SafeSport certification and a completed and cleared background check is also required for all coaches. **Coaches will not be permitted to work a corner unless they are fully registered and certified, and only 2 coaches are allowed in a corner.**

**DEADLINE, REVIEW OF ENTRIES & TOURNAMENT DRAW**

ENTRY DEADLINE: All entries must be submitted mailed or Emailed **Saturday, January 7th**.

REVIEW OF ENTRIES: Coaches and Boxers will be emailed a list of entries for review, and to make any changes.

TOURNAMENT DRAW: Will be Computer generated.

**DATES OF COMPETITION AND ADVANCEMENT TO REGIONALS**

**Boxers must be prepared to compete on any date of the tournament**.

Boxers competing in the Northern New England Golden Gloves automatically qualify for the New England

Tournament of Champions held at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium.

Lowell/Central New England Golden Gloves

* January 12th, 19th, 26th and February 2nd and 9th

New England Golden Gloves

* February 16th and 23rd and March 2nd and 9th

**WEIGHT CLASSES & WEIGH-INS**

**The following weight classes are being contested for the 2023 Golden Gloves:**

* **Those competing in Olympic weight divisions must be US citizens.**
* **Legal non-citizens may compete in non-Olympic weight classes.**

**\*\*Men’s Open & Novice:** 112, 125, 132, 139, 147, 156, 165, 176, 203, 203+

**\*\*Women’s Open & Novice:** 110, 119, 125, 132, 139, 146, 154, 165, 178, 178+

\*\*NOTE: Olympic Weight Classes are:

Men’s: 112, 125, 139, 156, 176, 203, 203+

Women’s: 110, 119, 125, 132, 146, 165

**Weigh-ins are held 3:00-5:00 p.m. on event days, and only those scheduled to box are required to weigh in.**

All boxers must commit to one weight division and must weigh in to be officially entered in the tournament. Open-class boxers must be clean shaven (no mustaches or beards) to be allowed on the scale; novice boxers are not required to shave. All boxers will be allowed to weigh in twice during the designated weigh-in period. **No weight allowance in the Open Class. Novice boxers are allowed 2 lbs.**

**EXPERIENCE LEVEL**

* Novice class boxers have not more than 10 bouts.
* Open/Elite class have 11 or more bouts.
* Boxers must declare only one division and may not compete in multiple divisions or weight classes.
* Athletes who have competed in other amateur combat/striking sports (e.g., MMA, kickboxing) are required to compete in the open class and may NOT enter as novice without permission from USA Boxing. For information on how to request a waiver for this rule please contact New England Golden Gloves Chief of Officials Laurie Purcell at 978-996-6092, or lapsouth@aol.com

**EQUIPMENT**

**Head Gear:** All Golden Gloves competition will be conducted with USA Boxing approved head gear. The head gear color does not need to coordinate with the color of the assigned corner but wearing the color of the opponent’s corner is inadvisable (i.e., avoid wearing red when you are in the blue corner, or vice versa).

All open boxers must wear open-face headgear (no cheek protectors).

**Gloves:** All competition will be conducted with approved gloveswhich will be provided to the athletes**.**

10 oz gloves will be used for boxers weighing up to 139.0 lbs

12 oz gloves will be used for boxers weighing 139.1 lbs or more

**Gauze, Tape, and Hand Wraps:** A maximum of one roll of gauze per hand and 6’x1” of tape.Training hand wraps are also allowable for use in competition.

**COMPETITION SCORING**

**Scoring:** The Golden Gloves will use the 10-point must system for scoring bouts.

**Judges:** 5 judges will be used, and all judges’ scores will be used.

**WALKOVERS, AWARDS, and SUBSTITUTIONS**

* A boxer must compete at least once in the tournament to be eligible for advancement or awards.
* Regional walkover boxers may advance only if there is competition in the Golden Gloves New England Championships.
* Boxers can be awarded a trophy, medal, etc. only if they have competed at least once during the tournament. He or she must weigh-in and can only be awarded the championship title if they win in the ring or if their scheduled opponent has pulled out. Only in that case can a boxer win by walkover.
* Each regional director has the right to advance a substitute boxer to represent their region if the winner of that region becomes unavailable.

**BOUT SHEETS**

Northern New England Golden Gloves bouts sheets will be posted on Jass Boxing Facebook (@jassboxinggym) and our Website: [www.jassboxing.org/NNEGG](http://www.jassboxing.org/NNEGG) no less than 24 hours in advance of each event.