



FACT SHEET
2023 MICHIGAN GOLDEN GLOVES
WEST MICHIGAN TOURNAMENT
SANCTIONED BY UNITED STATES AMATEUR BOXING #23-19-183063
(As of 01/24/2023)

- CONTACTS:** Tournament Information: Brian Lentz/Chairperson, MGGA – (616) 617-8045
Advanced Tickets Sales Information: Pamela Patterson/Secretary, MGGA – (616) 893-2605
- DATES:** Saturday, April 1st, Wednesday, April 12th, Saturday, April 15th
State Finals – Friday, April 21st, Saturday April 22nd
- SITE:** West Catholic High School Gymnasium
1801 Bristol Ave. NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49504
- PARTICIPANTS:** USA Boxing registered athletes. Elite (ages 18 – 40), Novice, Open. Youth and Juniors can participate on a matchmaking basis and will not advance to the state championships.
- WEIGH-INS:** **REGISTRATION AND WEIGH-INS:**
YOU MUST DECLARE YOUR DIVISION AND WEIGHT CLASS ON YOUR ENTRY FORM. IF YOU DO NOT MAKE WEIGHT ON APRIL 1 - YOU WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO CHANGE WEIGHT CLASS IF THERE IS ROOM IN ANOTHER WEIGHT CLASS.
- Boxers must register by one of the following methods on or before March 30:**
On line at www.michigangoldenglovesboxing.com
By mail or in person at PK Boxing – 652 28th Street, SW – Suite B – Wyoming, MI 49509
- Registration forms are available for download at: www.michigangoldenglovesboxing.com
- AGAIN - YOU MUST DECLARE YOUR DIVISION AND WEIGHT CLASS ON YOUR ENTRY FORM. IF YOU DO NOT MAKE WEIGHT ON APRIL 1 - YOU WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO CHANGE TO A DIFFERENT WEIGHT CLASS IF THERE IS SPACE AVAILABLE**
- Non-athlete (coaches) entry forms will be available at initial weigh in and must be completed and turned in with current passbook and credentials at that time.
- TOURNAMENT DAY WEIGH-IN TIMES:**
ALL boxers in the tournament will weigh in Saturday -- April 1st -- 9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM
Wednesday – April 12th, Saturday - April 15th, -- 11:00 AM TO 1:00 PM.
(State Finals) – Friday - April 21st and Saturday April 22nd (State Finals) -- 11:00 AM TO 12:00 PM
- All weigh-ins will be held at the Michigan Golden Gloves Center; 526 Broadway Ave. NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504 (downstairs).**
- The Tournament Director may make exceptions to the weigh-in requirements in cases deemed to have extenuating circumstances.
- DRAW/BRACKETING:** Following the completion of official weigh-in April 1, draw and bracketing will be conducted by tournament staff members. Brackets will be available by 4:00 PM April 1 and posted online.
- MATCHMAKING:** Youth and Junior matchmaking will be done with coaches.
- ADVANCEMENT:** Senior/Elite **Champions and Runner-ups**. Male & Female, Novice and Open classes qualify to advance to the State Championships on April 21st and April 22nd.
- ENTRIES:** Coaches must complete a Coaches Information Form. These forms must also be turned in at the weigh-in with your USA Boxing Passbook. **Please duplicate forms as needed.**
- PHYSICALS:** 5:30 PM each tournament date only boxers fighting that day at West Catholic High School Gymnasium
- SHOW TIMES:** 7:00 PM each tournament date at West Catholic High School Gymnasium
- REPRESENTATION:** Boxers must represent a current USA Boxing member club or box unattached

- USA BOXING REGISTRATION:** All tournament participants must be a current USA Boxing member. (**Boxers, coaches, and official must have current passbooks.**) All coaches and officials must have attended a certification clinic, taken “Safe Sport Training” and passed a background check as required by USA Boxing before they can receive their passbook.
- 2023 WEIGHT DIVISIONS:** **NOVICE & OPEN:** Male: 112, 125, 132, 139, 147, 156, 165, 176, 203, 203+
Female: 110, 119, 125, 132, 139, 146, 154, 165, 178, 178+
- (THESE ARE MAXIMUM WEIGHTS. NO WEIGHT ALLOWANCE WILL BE GIVEN!!)**
- BOUT/ROUND LENGTH:** Three (3) Two (2) minute rounds for Novice, Male & Female; three (3) three (3) minute rounds for Open, Male & Female; matched bouts as agreed by coaches
- CLASSES:** **Elite Male and Female:** Boxers 18 thru 40 years of age. (Boxers must be at least 18 at the start of the tournament but not yet 41 on May 13, 2023).
- Elite Novice:** Male & Female boxers with 10 or fewer bouts who do not meet the experience level to be an Open boxer as stated below:
- Elite Open:** Boxers with more than 10 bouts. NOTE: Any Boxer who has won their 5th bout as a Youth or Elite boxer, whether they have 10 bouts or not, must box Open. Any Junior or Youth boxer who has won a recognized national championship at ages 13 through 17 must box Open when they become an Elite boxer. The number of bouts of experience shall be counted continuously throughout the boxer’s career without interruption. A boxer shall have the option to move to the Open class at any time. However, once a boxer moves up, they may never revert back.
- Juniors & Youth:** Boxers 8 through 17 years of age, who have not yet reached their 18th birthday by the start of the tournament, may participate on a match making basis. Pre-matches will be made by coaches and tournament officials Matched bouts may be contested as fill-in bouts throughout the Tournament. Contestants in matched bouts are not eligible for advancement in the tournament.
- Each participating boxer and coach will receive an event pass/credential which is good for all dates of the tournament. Boxers and coaches will receive their event pass/credentials upon completion of mandatory registration and weigh-in.
- BOTH BOXERS AND COACHES MUST BE USA BOXING CURRENT REGISTERED MEMBERS AND COACHES HAVE ALL REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS UP TO DATE.**
- Coaches this means you must be registered, have a minimum green level coaches’ certification, be Safesport certified and have your background check completed. Coaches event passes/credentials will be issued only after receipt of a Coaches Passbook and a completed Coaches Information Form. No Coaches Information Forms will be accepted or event passes issued after the mandatory weigh in and registration dates and times.
- All participants must present their event pass/credentials at the “pass door” each date for admission (The Pass Door opens at 5:00 p.m.) Please hang on to your own event pass/credential! If your event pass/credential is lost, forgotten or stolen; it will not be replaced. It will be up to you to pay admission from that time on (No pass - No admittance...all others must have an admission ticket.)
- BOXERS APPEARANCE:** As specified in the USA Boxing Official Rule Book. Boxers with infractions of the grooming rules will not be allowed to weigh-in.
- UNIFORMS/EQUIPMENT:** All participants must provide their own uniforms & mandatory equipment including hand wraps as specified in the USA Boxing Official Rule Book. Coaches must have their own corner equipment. Boxing gloves will be provided. Golden Gloves boxers 139 lbs. or less will wear 10 oz. gloves; boxers over 139 lbs. will wear 12 oz. gloves.
- RULES:** USA Boxing rules with Golden Gloves rule exceptions will be used in the conducting of this tournament. Additional Golden Gloves policies & procedures as contained in Golden Gloves of America constitution and by-laws shall prevail over this tournament.
- MEDICAL BILLS:** We are not responsible for medical or dental bills. The limit of your medical and dental coverage is that of those paid by USA Boxing insurance. These expenses will be paid only when the injury is properly reported and the necessary forms are completed in a timely manner. (See USA Boxing for additional information.)
- AWARDS:** Outstanding awards will be presented to the champion in each weight division of each class. Runner-ups will receive silver medals. **NOTE:** Uncontested champions will receive a gold medal. Each matched bout contestant will receive a momentum for their participation. Special awards will also be presented (Golden Gloves takes pride in presenting the finest awards given anywhere in amateur boxing).