

THE GUARDIANS CUP – First Responder National Boxing Championships

BOXERS CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE GUARDIAN'S CUP IN TWO WAYS:

TOURNAMENT DIVISION – You will compete for a GUARDIAN'S CUP Championship Belt and the title of "National Champion", over the entire Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 29, 30, 31 weekend. You will check in on July 28.

MATCHED BOUT DIVISION – You will compete for a Trophy or Medal, in standard Matched Bouts, on your choice of 1, 2, or 3 days. This would be the best Division for you, if you are unable to commit to the entire weekend, but you do want to box in The Guardian's Cup. Bouts will be matched before and during the event.

IMPORTANT: If you lose early in the Tournament Division, you will still be able to transfer to the Matched Bout Division, in order to continue boxing over the weekend. Our goal is to get each boxer as many bouts as they would like, over the three days of competition. If possible, we do not want any boxer to be, "one and out" on Friday night.

WHERE: DeVos Place Convention Center, 303 Monroe Ave. NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. Ballroom A. For more venue information, go to: www.devosplace.org.

WHEN: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 29, 30, 31 – Thursday, July 28 – Check In – 4 pm to 8 pm

ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR TOURNAMENT DIVISION - Will begin on June 1, 2022, at: www.theguardianscup.com – All Tournament Division Boxers Must Be Registered Online - REGISTRATION WILL CONCLUDE ON JULY 15 - THERE IS NO WALK UP TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION AT THIS EVENT.

MATCHED BOUT DIVISION – We will begin accepting rosters for the Matched Bout Division on June 1, 2022. SUBMISSIONS FOR MATCHED BOUTS WILL CONCLUDE ON JULY 15.

There is no entry fee for this event.

TICKETS: Tickets are available at Ballroom A, beginning at 6pm on Friday night, and 1 pm on Sat/Sun

General Admission tickets are \$20.00 at the door. Reserved 8 person tables are available for \$320.00. Advance purchase of tickets and tables is available by calling Brian Lentz at PK Gym - Telephone - 616 538 5222 Brian Lentz Cell – 616 617 8045
Email - Kicks123@aol.com. OUR EVENTS SELL OUT – SO ARRIVE EARLY OR PURCHASE EARLY.

GENERAL INFORMATION

TOURNAMENT DIVISION - BOXER INITIAL CHECK IN/ DECLARE DIVISION/CHECK WEGHT: Thursday, July 28, from 4 pm to 8 pm, at DeVos Place Ballroom A - ALL TOURNAMENT DIVISION ENTERED BOXERS MUST CHECK IN/ DECLARE DIVISION, and CHECK WEIGHT ON THIS DAY.

MATCHED BOUT DIVISION – Boxers will only check in and weigh in on the day that they are scheduled to box. Matched Bout boxers are NOT required to check in on July 28.

WEIGHT CLASSES - MEN – 112,125,139,147,156,165,176,189,203,203+

WOMEN – 106,114,125,132,139,146,154,165,178,178+

AGE GROUPS MEN /WOMEN – 18 to 34, 35 to 45, 46 and older can only box an opponent within 10 years of your own age.

EXPERIENCE LEVELS - Every effort will be made to match opponents of very similar experience levels.

NOVICE DIVISION – 0 to 9 previous amateur boxing, kickboxing, or mma bouts.
3 Rounds of 1 to 2 minutes each.

OPEN DIVISION – 10 or more previous amateur boxing, kickboxing, or mma bouts.
3 Rounds of 1 to 2 minutes each.

QUALIFICATIONS: All boxers must be a registered amateur boxer with United States Amateur Boxing in order to compete. To register as an amateur boxer, visit www.usaboxing.org. On the drop down Menu, select “Join/Renew”, then select “Register”, then select “New Members”. Then follow through with the application process.

IMPORTANT – PLEASE BE CERTAIN TO REGISTER WITH USA BOXING NO LATER THAN JULY 8, TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT YOUR REGISTRATION BOOK ARRIVES IN TIME FOR THE TOURNAMENT

PHYSICAL EXAM – All boxers must bring a completed Physical Examination Form, from a MD/DO only, that contains the phrase, “Is physically fit enough to compete in the sport of amateur boxing”. The completed Physical must not be more than one year old.

BOXING EQUIPMENT – All boxers must compete in gym or boxing trunks, tank top or sleeveless shirt, gym shoes or boxing shoes, an athletic cup or boxing groin protector, a fitted mouthpiece, and a USA Boxing approved head gear. If the boxer does not have a headgear, one will be provided for the match. All boxers must use the boxing gloves provided.

COACH PASSES – Each boxer will receive one pass. Coaches will receive one Coach Pass and one Corner Pass. If there are more than three boxers from one Organization, they will receive one additional pass for each 3 additional boxers. NO ADDITIONAL PASSES WILL BE ISSUED. ALL OTHERS MUST PURCHASE A TICKET.

EVENT PARKING – Available in the underground DeVos Place ramp, and across the street from DeVos Place in the municipal parking garage. Parking is also available on the street, with no charge on weekend, or after 6 pm.

BALLROOM A LOCATION – You will enter DeVos Place on the Monroe St. side, through the doors that are just to the right of the large, “DeVos Place” elevated lettering. Once inside the building, signs will direct you to Ballroom A.

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DAILY SCHEDULE

In the TOURNAMENT DIVISION, the number of times and days that you box will depend on the number of entries in your division.

In the Matched Bout Division, you will be matched and your bout will be scheduled in advance of the start of the event. Additional Matched Bouts will also be made during the event.

THURSDAY, JULY 28 – 4PM TO 8PM - INITIAL CHECK IN/CHECK WEIGHT – ALL REGISTERED TOURNAMENT DIVISION BOXERS MUST ATTEND - Ballroom A – Warm Up Area – Boxers must be within 3 lbs of their declared competition weight. There is no boxing on Thursday and this is not an official weigh in. Initial Brackets will be posted at conclusion of check in.

BOXERS IN THE MATCHED BOUT DIVISION WILL NOT CHECK IN ON THURSDAY WITH THE TOURNAMENT DIVISION BOXERS, AND WILL ONLY WEIGH IN ON THE DAY THAT THEY HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED TO BOX

FRIDAY, JULY 29 – 9am to Noon – FIRST OFFICIAL WEIGH IN – ONLY FOR THOSE BOXERS THAT WILL BE COMPETING ON FRIDAY NIGHT - Ballroom A – Warm Up Area – Boxers must be at or under their maximum weight for their weight class. There is NO weight allowance!

DAY 1 - BOXING BEGINS – Friday, July 29, 7 pm – Ball Room A

SATURDAY, JULY 30 – 8am to 11am – SECOND OFFICIAL WEIGH IN – ONLY FOR THOSE BOXERS THAT WILL BE COMPETING ON SATURDAY - Ballroom A – Warm Up Area – Boxers must be at or under their maximum weight for their weight class. There is NO weight allowance!

DAY 2 – BOXING BEGINS - Saturday, July 30, 2pm – Ball Room A

SUNDAY, JULY 31 – 8am to 11am – THIRD OFFICIAL WEIGH IN – ONLY FOR THOSE BOXERS THAT WILL BE COMPETING ON SUNDAY - Ballroom A – Warm Up Area – Boxers must be at or under their maximum weight for their weight class. There is NO weight allowance!

DAY 3 – BOXING BEGINS – Sunday, July 31, 2pm – Ballroom A

PLEASE NOTE: ALL BOXERS MUST WEIGH IN AND MAKE WEIGHT EACH DAY THAT THEY COMPETE. There is NO weight allowance!

QUESTIONS? - Call Brian Lentz – Tournament Director at 616 617 8045, or John O'Brien – Chief Official at 630 880 8799.