

481—252.3(90A) Required protective equipment.

252.3(1) *Hand protection.* Practice wraps (training hand wraps) may be used in lieu of compliance with 481—Chapter 251. Gloves weighing 16 ounces shall be worn by both contestants.

252.3(2) *Body protection.* All male contestants shall wear a foul proof protective cup. All female contestants shall wear foul proof pelvic area protection and breast protection.

252.3(3) *Head protection.* The promoter shall provide and the contestants shall wear protective headgear unless the contestant signs a waiver from it.

252.3(4) *Mouth protection.* A mouthpiece shall be worn by all contestants throughout the bout. If the mouthpiece is knocked from a contestant's mouth, it shall be replaced with no penalty. Any contestant who deliberately spits out a mouthpiece shall be cautioned the first time, the referee shall deduct one point from each judge's scorecard the second time and the contestant will be disqualified the third time. Before being replaced, the mouthpiece will be washed.

252.3(5) *Hair protection.* Where necessary, hair will be secured in a manner that it will not interfere with the vision or safety of either contestant.

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