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Flag Sparring Rules

Flag Sparring rounds are 30 seconds in length.

- 1. **Equipment** required for competition
 - 1. Athletic belt with 3 flags (17.25" length x 2" width with ball and socket attachments)
 - 2. Headgear and mouthpiece

2. Objective -

- 1. Capture all of your opponents flags
- 2. Capture more flags than your opponent when time has expired
- 3. Keep your flags from being captured through footwork, body movement and blocks
- 3. Warnings 3 warnings results in DQ
 - 1. Removing a flag after the judge has paused the match
 - 2. Having more than 3 points of contact on ground, ie. Purposefully diving or falling to the ground
 - 3. Running out of ring to avoid flag being captured
 - 4. Purposefully falling on the ground to avoid flag being captured
 - 5. Purposefully delaying match
 - 6. Striking, tackling, pushing, shoving and grappling
 - 7. Holding ones own flag as a defense

4. **Notes** —

- 1. Time does not stop when a flag has been captured
- 2. Competitors with both feet out of bounds cannot capture a flag
- 3. Warnings are issued verbally at the discretion of any of the 3 judges
- 4. If you accidentally knock off your own flag, it is considered a captured flag