Stephen Curry’s mouthguard sells for over $3,000

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LAGUNA NIGUEL, Calif., USA: SCP Auctions, one of the largest auctioneers and private sellers of notable sports memorabilia and cards in the U.S., has recently sold the mouthguard of American professional basketball player Stephen Curry. As a signature habit, the 28-year-old Curry, who plays for the Golden State Warriors team, removes and chews on his mouthguard whenever he is about to shoot a free throw.

This was the first time one of Curry’s game-used mouthguards from his special 2015-16 season was offered publicly. The flexible rubber mouthguard was custom-made to fit Curry’s teeth. It was specially designed with the Golden State Warriors logo on the left and “280 CURRY” on both sides built into the molded material. Curry’s bite marks were evident.

According to the auction house, the mouthpiece was acquired by the consignor after a December road game. His seat was close to the Warriors bench and the mouthguard was apparently left behind under one of the team’s courtside chairs after the game.

At the end of August, a fan purchased the mouthguard for $3,189.60. In an interview with television host Jimmy Kimmel, Curry explained that chewing the mouthguard calms him, especially when he is at the free-throw line. He also stated that it was a habit that he formed in his junior year in college—after being hit in the face by another player, which resulted in a severe cut on his lip, he has worn a mouthguard for every game.