



# UNITED WORLD WRESTLING

TO ALL THE NATIONAL WRESTLING FEDERATIONS  
TO ALL THE BUREAU MEMBERS

## Technical Commission Meeting and Final Approvals by the Bureau Members

Dear Mr. President,

As you might know, the Technical Commission Members met last week in Belgrade (SRB) to discuss about important topics linked with the future of our Sport. The Bureau Members received all their proposals and approved some important topics.

You will find therefore attached the document providing all the information with the Ranking System and the updated Ranking Series' Rules.

The third document concerns the Registration Process. You will be able to read that no more Preliminary Entry (numbers) will be requested to the National Wrestling Federations for our Championships.

In addition, the Final Entries (by name) deadline will be maintained one month before the start of the competition BUT 10 days before the competition, no more change in the athletes or weight category will be allowed.

The last document approved is the Wrestling Rules. I would like to underline the fact that most of the changes concern some adjustments related to exceptional circumstances or clarifications about specific cases. The only change in the Rules is the weight tolerance.

In 2019, no more weight tolerance will be allowed (in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> day)! The only competitions where a weight tolerance will be allowed are the World Cups and the International Tournament that are NOT part of the Ranking System (Article 8).

Except this point, changes were made in the:

1. **Article 8:** Following the concerns that we received from National Wrestling Federations and to protect the development of our Sport in each Continent, it was decided to keep a weight category that counts less than 5 wrestlers BUT not the weight category where only 1 wrestler is registered.
2. **Article 15:** clarification if a double disqualification happens in a semi-final bout.
3. **Article 31:** be stronger with bad behavior of coaches.
4. **Article 33:** have an easier team ranking in a competition where more than one athlete per country can participate in a weight category.
5. **Article 42:** clarification in the classification points after specific cases (double injury - double forfeits).
6. **Article 56:** clarification when an athlete is injured - don't oblige him to attend the second weigh-in if he would have been qualified for the second day.

For the National Wrestling Federations that want to translate the Rules in their languages, you will find attached the Wrestling Rules with all the modifications made in green or red. The updated version of the Rules (clean version) will be published in our website.

I take this opportunity to wish you all the best for 2019 and hope that you will reach your goals for Tokyo 2020.

Sincerely Yours,

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