



UNITED WORLD WRESTLING

TO ALL THE NATIONAL WRESTLING FEDERATIONS

Subject: Refereeing in 2019

Dear Mr. President,

First of all, the 2019 referees' categories have been reviewed, you can now consult the updated list on your Athena account. Referees who reached the age limit or did not participate in international competitions since more than two years will automatically lose their international category at the end of the year.

By this circular, we would like to inform you about the different changes that will be implemented in 2019.

The main changes concern the referee clinics. There will be no more theoretical part for clinics of level 2 and 4. It means that the clinics will be as follow:

- Level 1: Theoretical (2 days clinic) and practical part during competition
- Level 2: Practical part during competition
- Level 3: Theoretical (2 days clinic) and practical part during competition
- Level 4-5: Practical part during competition

In addition to that, it has been decided that there will be no more payment in order to participate to the different clinics. However, every referee will have to be in possession of a valid license. It means that even the candidate who will attend a clinic level 1 will have to purchase a license. This decision has been made to ensure that every referee attending a clinic is insured.

We remind you that you can find the list of clinics organized throughout the year at the following link:
<https://unitedworldwrestling.org/development/refereeing-courses>

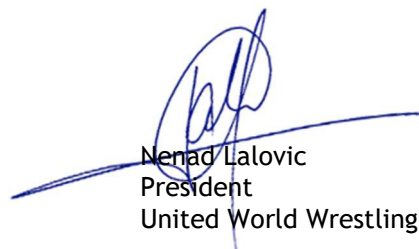
For the competitions where the referee category is higher than the one related to the clinic, you will have to contact United World Wrestling to register your referee who will participate to the clinic. For example, if there is a clinic of level 3 in a competition and the required category for this same competition is minimum I, all referees from category II wanting to participate to the clinic will have to contact United World Wrestling.

The minimum referee category to officiate during Ranking events is the category I for men and II for women. Through this, we would like to encourage National Wrestling Federations to promote their women referees.

At the beginning of next year another circular will be sent to you regarding the selection process for Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

We thank you for your kind collaboration and wish you all the best for the new year.

Sincerely yours,



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President
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