



**TO ALL THE NATIONAL WRESTLING FEDERATIONS
TO THE BUREAU MEMBERS**

Subjects: Entries - Deadlines - Substitute Wrestlers

Dear President,

I hope this circular finds you well.

International competition slowly restarted, that's why we consider as important to share with you some reminders with regards to the registration procedures for athletes on Athena, the deadlines and the management of the substitute wrestlers. We always try to facilitate the registration process and hope that these adjustments will help you to manage your delegation for a competition.

First of all, I would like to remind you that EACH person registered on Athena for a competition will be considered as effectively present on site, and the organiser will charge accommodation fees for each person of your delegation registered on Athena.

For instance, if you plan to attend with one athlete in the 74kg weight category, you must register him one month before the start of the competition at the latest. During the period between 1 month before the start of the competition and 3 days before the start of the style in question, you will be allowed to replace the athlete or change his weight category. The last 3 days before the start of the style in question, no more change will be allowed.

On the other hand, if you intend to come with two athletes in 74kg (a wrestler and a substitute/sparring partner), you will have to register both of them in the current weight category and precise which one will wrestle in this weight category (click on starter OR substitute/sparring partner).

Because we need to know which one will be the athlete that will compete among the two registered athletes, we will consider as such the one indicated as "starter" in Athena. We will check it at midday, the day of the draw for the style in question. Therefore, if the substitute wrestler will replace the starter wrestler, his or her National Federation will have to make the change on Athena before midday (host city local time), the day of the draw for the concerned style. Please click on the "Roster" tab (on your Athena account under the event in question) to manage all your starters for the competition.

Another very important task is the control made by the team leaders before the draw. It is crucial that the team leaders check the entry lists but also that they control that each wrestler is in his or her right weight category. We clearly don't want to include in the draw any athlete not present. It is therefore the responsibility of the team leaders/coaches to inform the competition secretariat (through the accreditation centre) if a wrestler registered is not there. The National Wrestling Federation that doesn't respect this procedure is subject to sanctions as provided in the UWW Disciplinary Regulations.

Having the correct entry lists is very important for us to be able to establish the seeds but also to have a fair draw. As stipulated above, sanctions may be taken if the team leaders don't fulfil their duties.

I would like to also pinpoint that for some competitions, we only have 3 registered wrestlers in a weight category one month before the start of the competition. By letting the teams the choice to change the weight category of their athletes until 3 days before the start of the style in question, it is possible that such a weight category ends up with only 1 registered athlete. This weight category would then be cancelled, but it is obvious that the concerned wrestler will be allowed to compete in the next-higher weight category even if the deadline is already past.

You will find in attachment our General Regulations for International Competitions and Championships, in which all these adjustments can be found.



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We stay at your disposal for any questions related to these topics.

Wishing you all the best for the next important Wrestling events.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jean-Daniel Rey'.

Jean-Daniel Rey
Sports Director
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