

TO ALL NATIONAL FEDERATIONS

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Reminders for UWW events: taping, singlets & referees

Dear President, dear Secretary General,

During its last meeting, the Bureau approved a proposal by the Medical Commission to further specify the rules concerning "taping", namely, to control the correct and authorized application of tapes not only on fingers, but also on <u>wrists</u>. This proposal was based on the observation of taping misuse by some athletes.

This letter serves as a reminder of the rules in this regard.

Article 22 of the UWW Medical Regulations provides:

"A competitor may not use <u>hand</u>, <u>finger and wrist tapings without medical justification</u>. **Medical evidence** justifying their use must be provided to the UWW doctor during the pre-competition medical examination."

Correct taping:



Incorrect taping:



For all instance where hand, finger or wrist taping are required for medical reasons, a medical certificate will be issued and provided by the UWW doctor.



Singlets

During the previous season, a number of non-compliant wrestling singlets were observed during official UWW competitions.

In particular:

- Wrestlers using singlets without the official "Red and Blue Markings" as provided by <u>UWW Uniform</u> Guidelines (art. 2.4.1);
- Wrestlers using non-compliant additional outfits ("leggings" worn under the singlet).

As usual, checks will be made during the medical examination and in the call room. Financial penalties as provided by the rules will be applied for any infringement.

Referees

All Federations entering more than three (3) wrestlers must comply with the minimum number of Referees (1, if existing) in the required category, as provided by the rules (art. 27 and 28 of the General Regulations for Championships & International Competitions).

Consequences are provided by the UWW Disciplinary rules for non-compliance with this requirement.

We thank you for ensuring that your Wrestlers, Coaches, Referees and Team leaders are well reminded of the foregoing.

Wishing you very successful competitions.

Yours sincerely,

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