

UNITED WORLD WRESTLING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ORGANISATION OF INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

1. PREAMBLE

The present requirements, the General Regulations for Championships and International Competitions, the Financial Regulations, the United World Wrestling Constitution, and the International Wrestling Rules are the documents which govern the way all international competitions organized under United World Wrestling's aegis are run.

The organisation of an international competition is placed under the authority of United World Wrestling and of the Continental Council to which the organising Federation appointed by the United World Wrestling Executive Committee belongs.

The organising Federation must name an organising committee which will deal with the organisation of the international competition.

The organising Federation will be responsible for the smooth running of the competition towards the United World Wrestling Bureau.

A refereeing delegate will be assigned by United World Wrestling to each international competition.

2. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The present requirements must be applied to all international competitions, no matter what their specific name may be. Any organiser of a competition, tournament, challenge, etc. who wishes to depart from these requirements in whatever way must obtain the written approval of the United World Wrestling Executive Committee beforehand.

3. APPLICATION FOR THE ORGANISATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

The application for the organisation of an international competition is done in compliance with the United World Wrestling Constitution and Regulations, as well as with the present requirements and fully commits the National Federation requesting it.

Every National Federation member of United World Wrestling can apply for an international competition. To do so, the National Federation must fill in and sign the application form and organisation contract on page 6 and 7 of the present document.

These two documents must be returned to the United World Wrestling secretariat by 15 November of the year preceding the event.

Any change in date or place must be announced to United World Wrestling at least 6 months before the date set for the tournament in order to be considered.



4. REGULATIONS AND SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Once the competition has been accepted and entered in the United World Wrestling calendar, the organising Federation must send to United World Wrestling a file containing the regulations and information necessary to the smooth running of the competition. This file will have to reach United World Wrestling at least 6 months before the date set for the event and include the following documents:

- Invitation letter from the organising Federation.
- General regulations setting the participation conditions and the technical matters (styles, age group, weight categories, awards, etc.).
- Specific information containing the necessary details on the reception of the teams, transport, address of the venue and hotels in which the participants, referees and United World Wrestling officials will be accommodated.
- Competition programme including the schedule of accreditation, medical control, weigh-in, elimination rounds and finals for each category.
- Visa and entry forms.

5. ORGANISATION FEE

The organisation fee for international competitions is invoiced by United World Wrestling to the organising Federation at the end of the year during which the competition took place depending on the type of competition:

- Senior international tournament: 1'000 CHF per style
- U20 and U17 international tournament: 500 CHF per tournament
- Senior and U20 and U17 international tournament: 500 CHF per tournament
- U15 international tournament: no fee

6. ORGANISER'S OBLIGATIONS

The organising Federation must send a personal invitation letter to all the countries concerned and to refereeing delegate(s) with the programme and information on the competition for the visa applications. These invitations must be sent at least 2 months before the date set for the competition.

The organising Federation must take out insurance with a company of its choice to cover its and United World Wrestling's civil liability for the duration of the competition including the time taken to install the facilities before the competition and the time taken to dismantle them afterwards. The organising Federation bears full liability and United World Wrestling can in no case be held responsible for the risks incurred.

The organising Federation will cover the refereeing delegate(s)' transport in economy class (or in business class if the delegate is a United World Wrestling Bureau member) and full accommodation (board and lodging), starting 48 hours before the competition and ending 24 hours after the competition.

The organising Federation will pay a representation fee to the refereeing delegate(s) of 100 CHF per day for the duration of their stay (48 hours before the competition and 24 hours after the competition).

The organising Federation must make transport facilities available to officials and participants between the station, airports, and accommodation sites as well as between competition, training, and accommodation sites. Transport facilities are only provided for participants who are accommodated in sites proposed by the organising Federation.



A minibus or a bus will be made available for the referees, VIP, Presidents, and other officials accompanying the teams.

The organising Federation will take the necessary steps to assist the refereeing delegate(s) in the licence sale that must take place before the competition. It is reminded that wrestlers of all age categories taking part in an international competition must hold a valid United World Wrestling licence-insurance for the current year.

7. INFORMATION AND RECEPTION DESK

From the arrival of the first delegation to the day following the last competition, the organising Federation must organise a central reception desk which will be situated at the central hotel or at the competition site.

This desk is responsible for:

- The reception of the teams upon their arrival and departure at the airport or station.
- The allocation of hotel rooms
- The catering
- The urban transport
- The provision of all necessary information for the smooth running of the competition
- The support for cultural matters

8. FINAL ENTRIES, NATIONALITY CHECK, AND ACCREDITATION

The organising Federation must take the necessary steps to accelerate the accreditation procedures by means of the United World Wrestling Athena software. Each participant's age and nationality will be checked upon presentation of their passport at accreditation. A big room will have to be provided to welcome the participants and allow the different phases of administrative work (collection of participation and accommodation fees, final entries, age and nationality check, participants' picture, printing of accreditation cards, licence sale, etc.).

If the final entries for each style are not requested at accreditation, the delegations will have to follow the schedule set forth in the competition program in order to allow a smooth management of the competition.

9. WEIGH-IN

The weigh-in is placed under the responsibility of the refereeing delegate(s). The official weigh-in for each category is done the day of the competition with the medical examination and it lasts 30 minutes. The competitors are allowed to check their weight on the scales available, which will be identical to those used for the official weigh-in, as many times as they wish. The organising committee must provide each day one person for each scale to help with the weigh-in procedure. If a weight allowance is permitted, it must be mentioned in the competition regulations and cannot exceed 2kg.



10. DRAWING OF LOTS

The draw must be done by the United World Wrestling software or manually if the use of computers is not possible. The result of the draw will be distributed by the organising Federation to each delegation as soon as it is complete.

11. COMPETITION VENUE

The competition venue will be large enough to house the necessary number of competition and warm-up mats. It will be equipped according to the General Regulations for Championships and International Competitions. The competition venue will have to allow proper display of audio-visual information to the spectators and competitors (time, points, nationality, wrestlers' name, results) by means of two plasma screens per mat that will be linked to a computer running with the Arena software.

Each competition mat must be United World Wrestling approved, 12m x 12m, and with marking and colours in accordance with the International Wrestling Rules. On one side of the mats, the organising Federation will place a table for 4 people (1 mat chairman, 1 timekeeper, 1 video controller and 1 replacement) and on the other side, a table for the judge.

The competition area and its surroundings will be protected against unauthorized access. In addition a sufficient number of seats will be provided to United World Wrestling, VIPs, officials, doctors, and medical staff. The competitors' seats will be placed as close as possible to the competition area and will have direct access to it.

12. OPENING CEREMONY (IF SCHEDULED)

Following the announcement of the opening ceremony, the delegations, in tracksuits or any other suitable attire, will file past preceded by a sign with their country's name on; either in their entirety in the language of the organising Federation or in the abbreviation approved by the IOC; and their national flag. The delegations will file past in alphabetical order and to the accompaniment of music. The host country will enter last and be followed by the referees. The host country's and United World Wrestling flags will be raised. The National Federation's President and one or two important people will make a speech.

13. MEDALS, DIPLOMAS, AND AWARD CEREMONIES

The award ceremony takes place each day after the finals of the weight category. The athletes enter and leave to the accompaniment of music. They must be dressed in their national team tracksuit and line up behind the podium in the following order: 2 - 1 - 3 - 3. A diploma will be presented to all participants. The speaker must clearly announce the ceremony and pronounce the names, nationality and classification of the recipients as well as the names and titles of the officials who will present the medals. The flags will be hoisted at the same time as the winner's national anthem (short version) with a slight difference in their level according to the athletes' ranking. Award winners are presented in the following order: 1) bronze medals; 2) silver medal; 3) gold medal; 4) other awards. If there are only 7 wrestlers or less participating in one weight category, only one bronze medal will be awarded. The presentation order is determined in consultation with the protocol officer.



14. ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

The organising Federation must take all the steps necessary to ensure that the anti-doping tests requested by the national anti-doping agency can take place and to guarantee that the samples will be analysed by a laboratory which is WADA/IOC accredited. The costs engendered by the anti-doping tests will be borne by the organising Federation.

15. COMPETITION STAFF

In accordance with the present requirements, the organising Federation must fulfil all the necessary conditions for staff and material. Regarding the medical staff, 2 doctors will have to be provided for the medical control before the weigh-in (or more in case of high participation) and for the anti-doping control, and 1 medical assistant will have to be assigned to each mat.

The organising Federation will also have to provide one general announcer (French or English and language of the host country), 1 ceremony and protocol officer, and 2 assistants for the opening, closing, and award ceremonies.

The organising Federation will provide 1 person in charge of the scoreboards, 1 timekeeper, 1 runner, 2 guides for the wrestlers, and 1 video controller per mat.

16. FORMS AND DOCUMENTS

The organising Federation commits to properly promote the competition by publishing articles in newspapers and on the Internet, by distributing posters and flyer, and by organising press conferences. It must also distribute programmes and information sheets to the participants.

The United World Wrestling Athena software allows printing the accreditation cards, the medical sheets, the weigh-in sheets, the pairing sheets, the competition schedule, the score sheets, and complete results. If the Athena-Arena software cannot be used for one reason or another, the organising Federation will have to provide these documents for an optimum manual management of the competition.



FORM FOR THE ORGANISATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

National Federation:	
International competition:	
Competition	
Place	
Exact date	
Style(s)	FS GR WW BW
Age group	Senior U23 U20 U17 U15 Veteran U20 U17 U15 Veteran U20 U17 U15
Invited countries	
Туре	Individual 🗌 Team 🗌
Weight categories	All ☐ or specify:
Place and date	
Name and function	
Signature	



CONTRACT FOR THE ORGANISATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

The present requirements, which are drawn up for the use of organisers wishing to enter an international competition in the United World Wrestling calendar, must be returned to United World Wrestling duly signed and initialled on each page by the National Federation's President, and mentioning "read and agreed" and "good for application". The document will have to reach United World Wrestling by 15 November of the year before the date set for the event at the latest.

Failing to do so, the competition will not be entered in the calendar and the organising Federation will be penalised according to the Disciplinary Regulations in case it holds the event anyway.

Any dispensation from the present requirement will be subject to United World Wrestling's prior written approval. Any infraction will be sanctioned according to the Disciplinary Regulations.

Any serious breach in these provisions will result in a report sent to the United World Wrestling judge who will evaluate the infraction and apply a sanction according to the United World Wrestling Constitution and Regulations. Any protest will be lodge in front of the United World Wrestling appeal commission whose decision will prevail and be final.

Competition name
Competition place and date
The present requirements bind the organising Federation named hereafter:
Read and agreed, good for application
Name and Signature of the organising Federation's President