

University Athletic Association

WRESTLING CODE OF CONDUCT

Statement on Sportsmanship

Each University Athletic Association member institution shall ensure that:

- **The conduct before, during, and after competition of all those representing participating institutions exemplifies the highest traditions of intercollegiate athletics.**
- **Competition is conducted in a non-discriminatory manner that encourages enthusiastic support within the confines of good sportsmanship and fosters a positive attitude among spectators and participants in support of their teams.**
- **Coaches and student-athletes are encouraged to abide by the letter and spirit of the playing rules and to be gracious in both victory and defeat.**

SECTION 1. Administrative Authority

Administrative authority shall be the Wrestling Sport Committee chaired by the primary athletic administrator of the host institution. In the event the primary athletic administrator is unable to serve as chair of the committee, one of the other UAA Delegates from the host institution shall serve as chair.

Appointment of Representatives The primary athletic administrator of each institution shall appoint individuals as appropriate to represent the interests of that institution at meetings of the sport committee. In the case of men's and women's sport committees that meet jointly, an institution may choose to appoint one individual to represent the interests of both its men's and women's programs. If an institution sends a single representative to a joint sport committee meeting, it shall be assumed that the individual representing the institution is authorized to cast votes on behalf of both the institution's men's and women's programs.

Replacement of Committee Chair In the event the institution designated to chair a sport committee chooses to designate its primary athletic administrator as its representative to that sport committee, another representative from that institution, who must be a member of the Delegates Committee, shall chair the sport committee in place of the primary athletic administrator.

Voting Lines The disposition of all issues considered jointly by sport committees meeting together shall be by joint vote of the committees. Results of all joint votes shall be reported by

listing the voting tallies of the respective men's and women's committees as well as the voting tally of the joint committee.

Proxy Voting There shall be no proxy voting. In the event a representative from an institution leaves a meeting of the sport committee prior to its conclusion, the vote of that individual shall not be transferred to another individual from that institution nor to any individual from another institution.

SECTION 2. Determination of Association Champions

The Association champion shall be the team with the best dual meet record at the conclusion of round-robin competition at the annual Championship.

Ties in meet records between teams shall be resolved as follows and a single team champion shall be determined.

- 1) At the conclusion of dual match competition, should the top two teams have identical won-loss records, the team champion shall be determined on the basis of the head-to-head competition between those teams.
- 2) At the conclusion of dual match competition, should three teams have identical won-loss records, the NCAA team tiebreaker method shall be used based upon competition between those three teams only.

SECTION 3. Meet Management

Refer to Site Policies and Procedures and applicable sections of Policies Regarding Sportsmanship and Event Management.

Health & Safety Emergency Policy – Each institution shall clearly designate the person or persons who shall have the ultimate authority and responsibility to stop or resume play in the event of a health and safety emergency, and shall communicate this information to the competition officials and coaches prior to the contest. The game management responsibilities of the designated individual or individuals should be such that they are able to monitor such circumstances without distraction.

SECTION 4. Conduct of Sport

4.1 Site

The site of the Championship shall rotate among member institutions. Institutions may pass their opportunity to host the meet but must give notice two years in advance. Site selection shall be confirmed by the Athletic Administrators Committee.

4.2 Format

A one-day, round-robin format on one or two mats.

Weigh-in times shall be mutually agreed upon by the participating teams.

The starting time for the meet shall be 11:00 a.m. local time. If a team is late due to travel conditions the championship should begin one hour after the last team's arrival at the site of competition.

The order of matches shall be as follows.

Three-team championship

- 1) The two visiting teams wrestle first. If the match ends in a tie the NCAA team tie breaking criteria shall be applied immediately to determine which team wrestles in the next team match.
- 2) The losing team then wrestles the host;
- 3) The winning team then wrestles the host;
- 4) In each round, the match will proceed in weight class order on one mat. The coaches must unanimously agree to use two mats if using two mats is necessary.

Four-team championship

- 1) Two dual meets shall be held simultaneously on two mats.
- 2) Team rotation shall be based on a random draw conducted one-half hour prior to the commencement of competition.
- 3) Matches shall be rotated as follows (Home team listed first):

	Mat 1	Mat 2
First Round:	1 vs. 2	3 vs. 4
Second Round:	1 vs. 3	2 vs. 4
Third Round:	2 vs. 3	4 vs. 1

Weigh-in times shall be mutually agreed upon by the participating teams.

4.3 Squad Size

All competitive squads shall be limited to a maximum of thirteen competitors for the tournament.

The size and composition of each member institution's travel party shall be determined by that respective institution.

4.4 Officials

Three officials shall be assigned by the local or area officials board for a four-team competition. Two officials shall be assigned for a three-team competition.

4.5 Rules

NCAA rules are applicable. Weigh-ins shall be certified per NCAA guidelines.

The skin check required prior to competition by NCAA rules shall be conducted by a physician or certified athletic trainer (ATC).

4.6 Rules Interpretation Committee

The Rules Interpretation Committee shall include the host institution's primary athletic administrator or his/her representative and the Sport Committee.

4.7 Equipment

As per NCAA championship guidelines and regulations.

4.8 Seeding

Does not apply.

4.9 Facilities

The site shall be a championship quality mat as determined by the appropriate NCAA regulations and championship guidelines or by the approval of two thirds of the Sport Committee. Institutions that do not have a championship level mat may pass their opportunity to host the meet. Refer to Section 4.1. The mat shall be available for inspection and practice on the Friday prior to the meet.

4.10 Miscellaneous Administration

Championship results shall be made available as soon as possible following the completion of the championship.

SECTION 5. General Guidelines

5.1 Uniforms

As per NCAA championship guidelines and regulations.

5.2 Scheduling

The championship meet shall be conducted on the Saturday four weeks prior to the NCAA Division III Wrestling Championship.

5.3 Scouting

Does not apply.

5.4 Statistics

Refer to Site Policies and Procedures.

5.5 Organizational Meetings

Championship and Sport Committee meetings shall be conducted during the championships.

SECTION 6. Awards**6.1 Team Champion**

A trophy shall be given for the team champion.

Certificates shall be awarded to individual members of the championship team.

6.2 All-Association Team

Coaches will vote for the All-Association wrestler in each weight class.

6.3 Most Outstanding Wrestler

Coaches shall vote for the Most Outstanding Wrestler in the Association Championship. Following a discussion of the meet results, each coach shall submit the names of three wrestlers listed in rank order. Coaches may vote for members of their own teams in the balloting for the Most Outstanding Wrestler. The wrestler with the highest total points from the rank order ballots shall be declared the Most Outstanding Wrestler.

6.4 Rookie of the Year

The Rookie of the Year shall be selected by ballot of the coaches. Only traditional, first-year student-athletes shall be eligible. Each coach shall submit the names of three players listed in rank order. Coaches may vote for members of their own teams in the balloting for the Rookie of the Year. The player with the highest total points from the rank order ballots shall be declared the Rookie of the Year and shall receive a certificate in recognition of selection.

6.5 Coaching Staff of the Year

The Coaching Staff of the Year shall be determined by ballot of the head coaches. Awards shall be made to all members of the selected coaching staff.

SECTION 7. Miscellaneous**7.1 Compliance with Deadlines**

Coaches and other responsible individuals shall comply with all deadlines for the exchange or submission of materials and information as specified in the Code of Conduct. In the event of a missed deadline, the designated recipient shall notify the Association Office immediately. The Executive Secretary shall then notify the primary athletic administrator of the institutions involved, and that primary athletic administrator shall take action to ensure compliance with the specifications of the deadline.