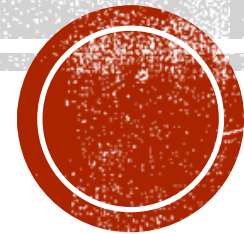


WRESTLING 2017





AGENDA

- REVIEW WRESTLING STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
- OFFICIALS ASSIGNMENTS
- DUAL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
- RULE CHANGES
- Advisory Committee Members
- 2017-18



2017 REVIEW STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

- SILVER SPURS ARENA
- REGIONAL ASSIGNMENTS
- STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ASSIGNMENTS
- NEXT YEAR



WRESTLING OFFICIALS 2017 EVALUATIONS

- Information
- Scores
- 2018 Assignments





OFFICIALS ASSIGNMENTS

- How are officials determined for Regional and State Assignments?
- Recommendations
- Selections



DUAL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Recommendations Deadline
- Playoff Format
- Locations



RULE CHANGES

- Rule 5-19-10: The referee no longer may be behind the contestants when starting the wrestlers from the down position, which has led the false starts by one or both wrestlers.
- Rule 6-6-4a(1) and 6-6-5a(1): Errors by the timekeeper, official scorer or referee must be corrected prior to the offended contestant leaving the mat area and before the start of the next match on that mat.
- 7-6-4d: Stalling occurs when the contestant in the advantage position stays behind the opponent while on his/her feet, making no attempt to bring the opponent to the mat.



WRESTLING UNIFORM RULE CHANGES - NFHS

- The compression shorts or shorts designed for wrestling shall be school-issued and shall have a minimum 4-inch inseam that does not extend below the knee. The form-fitted compression shirt shall not cover or extend below the elbow and shall have a minimum 3-inch tail. The shirt may be worn under a singlet or with compression shorts or shorts designed for wrestling.
- Specific language was developed regarding undergarment requirements for female contestants wearing a one-piece singlet or a form-fitted compression shirt, as well as for male contestants wearing shorts designed for wrestling.
- The committee approved use of the alternate two-piece uniform in the hopes of increasing boys and girls participation in the sport after receiving favorable results from experimentation and positive comments from schools, students, coaches and officials.



ADDITIONAL RULE CHANGES

- The committee approved several rules related to minimizing risk of injury in the sport. Rule 4-5-3 now prohibits any activities that promote weight loss or weight gain when an athlete misses weight on his or her first attempt on the scale. In addition to activities that promote dehydration or drinking fluids to gain weight, the rule now prohibits activities such as cutting hair, modifying clothing, etc.
- Another change designed to reduce risk of injury was elimination of the straight-back salto, regardless of which body part (head, neck or shoulder) hits the mat first. The straight-back salto in the rear-standing position that brings the defensive wrestler straight back with feet in the air is intended to have the defensive wrestler's head, neck or shoulder(s) hit the mat first, and is now an illegal move.
- In addition, added to the list of illegal holds/maneuvers in Rule 7-1-5 was a front flip and/or front hurdle over an opponent in the standing position.



WRESTLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- <http://www.fhsaa.org/gov/wrestling-advisory-committee>
- <http://www.fhsaa.org/officials/advisory-committee>
- Meeting Topics from 2017 Officials Advisory Committee
 - Online Field Clinics
 - Full tight fitting t-shirt to cover shoulder brace
 - Wrestlers wearing shoes when reporting to the scales
 - Officials Conference

Coaches

Scale Certification

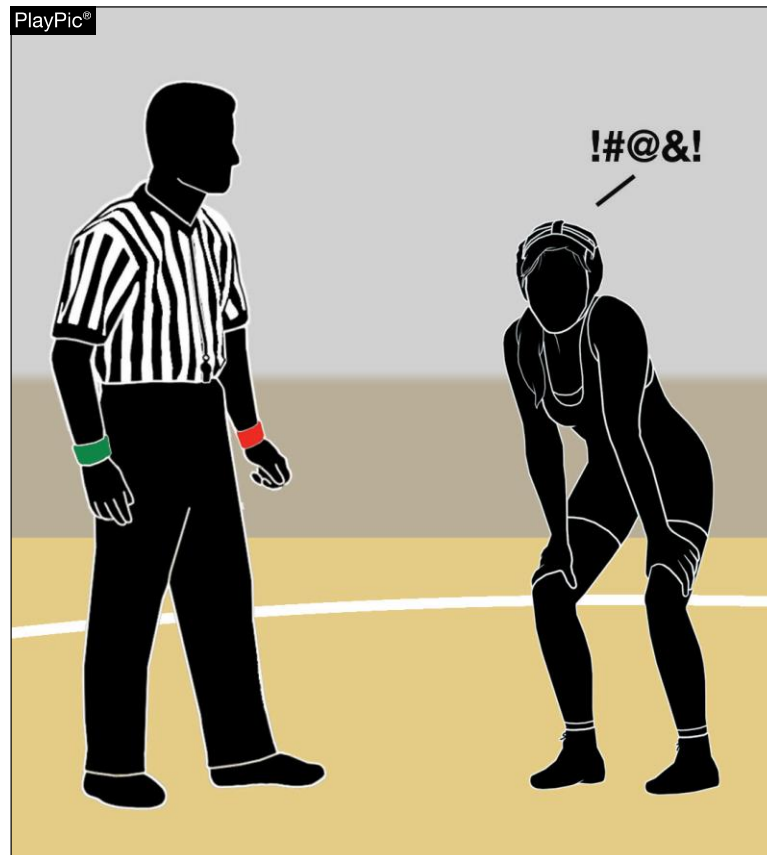
New Skin Form

State Series Mat Assignments

Adding Assistant Referees



WRESTLER CONDUCT



- Coaches and referees must be at the forefront in promoting good sportsmanship, which includes eliminating profanity, among the athletes.



SPORTSMANSHIP / GOOD SPORTING BEHAVIOR

- Coaches and officials need to work together.
- Each match is an opportunity to teach life lessons in conjunction with wrestling.
- Coaches who model good and appropriate behavior will send a positive message to the student wrestlers and the spectators.
- The positive values learned will serve the students long after their interscholastic wrestling careers have concluded.



THE STATE OF HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

- The NFHS Wrestling Rules Committee is very concerned about the participation decline in high school wrestling.
- There may be a number of contributing factors: concussions, traditional uniform preferences, skin conditions, reduced or lack of home matches, overuse, and possibly the current conditions with young people having so many other options to occupy their time and energy.



THE STATE OF HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING (CONTINUED)

- The committee will continue to investigate other factors that are creating barriers for young people to enjoy this wonderful sport and will work from a rules - writing perspective to make helpful changes.
- The committee encourages the local coaches to work with their school administration to address these issues as best they can at all levels of wrestling in their community. Together, we can turn this decline into an increase and welcome more young people into the sport of wrestling.



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