



**2007
DIVISION I
WRESTLING
CHAMPIONSHIPS
HANDBOOK**

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Introduction

During the 2006-07 academic year, the Association will sponsor 88 national championships, of which 41 are for men, 44 are for women, and three are for both men and women. Among the men's championships, three are National Collegiate Championships, 13 are Division I championships, 12 are Division II championships and 13 are Division III championships. Among the women's championships, four are National Collegiate Championships, 13 are Division I championships, 13 are Division II championships and 14 are Division III championships. The combined men's and women's championships are National Collegiate Championships.

A championships handbook is produced for each NCAA championship and posted on the NCAA Online Web site (www.ncaa.org).

How to Use This Publication. The handbook is divided into four sections: (1) General Administration; (2) Determination of Competing Institutions; (3) Instructions to Participants; and (4) General Championship Information. The first three sections pertain only to the respective sport, while the fourth deals with NCAA policies applicable to all 88 championships. [Note: Some policies listed in the general section have been revised by individual sports committees. The revision(s) will appear in the sport-specific section of the handbook.]

Each topic included in the handbook is referenced to other applicable areas in the handbook or in the NCAA Manuals, where appropriate. For example, if you wish to know about regional advisory committees, the basic information for that particular sport would be included in an appendix. However, as referenced under the heading "Regional Advisory Committees," more information concerning general NCAA policy governing regional advisory committees can be found later in the handbook and in the NCAA Manuals.



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Wrestling Championships Information

Important Dates

Monday, February 26—Qualifying Tournament Entry deadline via the NWCA Web site.

Monday, March 12—Replacement deadline.

Tuesday, March 13—Registration begins.

Wednesday, March 14—Registration deadline.

Mandatory prechampionships meeting.

Medical/Skin checks.

Thursday-Saturday, March 15-17—Championships.

General Administration

Dates and Sites

[Reference: Bylaw 31.1.3 in the Division I Manual.]

Qualifying Meets. Following are the dates, sites and tournament managers for those conferences receiving automatic qualification for the championships and qualifying regionals:

Qualifying Tournament	Tournament Date(s)	Site	Director
Atlantic Coast Conference	March 3	North Carolina State University Raleigh, North Carolina	Davis Whitfield
Big Ten Conference	March 3-4	Michigan State University East Lansing, Michigan	Rich Atkinson
Big 12 Conference	March 3	University of Missouri Columbia, Missouri	Tad Dunn
Colonial Athletic Association	March 2-3	George Mason University Fairfax, Virginia	Chet Dalgewicz
Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association	March 2-4	East Stroudsburg University East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania	Tom Bold
Eastern Wrestling League	March 3-4	Cleveland State University Cleveland, Ohio	Tom Tontimonia
Mid-American Conference	March 3-4	University of Buffalo Buffalo, New York	Paul Vecchio
Pacific-10 Conference	February 24-25	California State University, Bakersfield Bakersfield, California	Dan Gianoutsos
Southern Conference	March 3	North Carolina State University Raleigh, North Carolina	Doug King
East Regional	March 4	Duquesne University Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Jarrett Durham
West Regional	March 3	University of Northern Iowa Cedar Falls, Iowa	Justin Sell

Finals—March 15-17, The Palace of Auburn Hills, Auburn Hills, Michigan, University of Michigan and the Detroit Metro Sports Commission, hosts.

The NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships shall be held each year on the dates and at the sites recommended by the NCAA Wrestling Committee and approved by the

Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet.

Sports Committee

[Reference: Administration and Management in the general championships information section of this handbook and Bylaws 31.1.1 and 31.1.2 in the Division I Manual.]

The Division I Wrestling Championships are under the control, direction and supervision of the NCAA Wrestling Committee. Members of the committee are:

Colonel Billy Walker, U.S. Air Force Academy, chair
Carl Adams, Boston University
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Annual Forms

Wrestling Qualifying Tournament Entry Form. The entry form for the qualifying tournaments must be completed and submitted online at www.nwcaonline.com/ performance. All wrestlers expected to compete in a qualifying tournament must be listed on the form. The deadline to submit this form is Monday, February 26. The Pacific-10 Conference insituitons should submit this form by February 19. A mailing including all applicable information was sent in November to the head coaches at all member institutions that sponsor wrestling. An official entry form is not required for the national championships site.

[Reference: Per Diem and Transportation forms in the Division I General Section and Bylaw 31.4.6 in the Division I Manual.]

[Reference: Bylaw 31.4 in the Division I Manual.]

Expense forms with instructions will be available on the NCAA Web site in the championships administration section (www.ncaa.org/champadmin). Forms can be mailed to the director of athletics of each competing institution, if they are unable to be accessed via the Web site. Please contact the NCAA travel department at the national office (phone: 317/917-6757; e-mail: travel@ncaa.org) to receive hard copies of this form.

Financial Report Form. The NCAA has implemented an online proposed budget and financial report process. We request that prospective regional and championships hosts no longer complete hard copies of the proposed budget for this championship. The online version of the proposed budget and financial report form may be accessed on the NCAA Web site at http://www.ncaa.org/champadmin/champ_budget/. Please note that the online form is password protected. Your institution's director of athletics should have the necessary membership database username and password on file. The final financial report must be submitted within 60 days following the completion of the championships. Written instructions on how to complete the automated forms are located at the site referenced above and on each sport specific Web site in the Documents and Forms section. If you have any questions regarding the new process, please contact Randy L. Buhr or Mark Bedics at the NCAA National Office.

Determination of Participants

Championships Structure

The NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships shall be conducted in the following 10 weight classes:

125 pounds	165 pounds
133 pounds	174 pounds
141 pounds	184 pounds
149 pounds	197 pounds
157 pounds	Heavyweight (183-285 pounds)

The order in which the finals of the respective weight classes will be wrestled may be adjusted by the games committee to accommodate television coverage and spectator interest.

The same 10 classes also will be used in conference and regional qualifying meets. Match times will be seven minutes in duration.

Qualifying Procedures

[Reference: Bylaws 31.01.2, 31.01.3 and 31.3 in the Division I Manual.]

To be eligible to participate in the 2007 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships, all participants must qualify through their respective automatic-qualifying conference or NCAA regional competition. All qualifying tournaments shall be completed not later than March 4. The Wrestling Committee, with the approval of the Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet, has granted automatic-qualification privileges to various allied conferences according to the procedures outlined in NCAA Bylaws 31.3.4 and 31.3.5. In addition, various regional tournaments have been established for qualification purposes. Regional tournaments may use true wrestle-backs to determine second place, fourth place and sixth place.

With the exception of bye points and pairings, NCAA Wrestling Rules and Interpretations shall be followed.

Qualifying Positions

The Division I Wrestling Committee, subject to the approval of the Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet, will determine annually the total number of qualifying positions awarded to conferences and qualifying meets for the Division I Wrestling Championships.

The criteria that may be used in determining the positions are located in Appendix C.

For 2007, the Championships/Competition Cabinet has allocated 330 positions for the Division I Wrestling Championships.

The governing sports committee may not fill vacancies allocated for a specific division with student-athletes from another division.

It usually is a Wrestling Committee policy not to increase or decrease the number of allocations per qualifying tournament by more than three per year.

Following are the allocations for the 2007 championships (see Appendix A):

	Qualifiers
Atlantic Coast Conference	14
Big Ten Conference	72
Big 12 Conference	38
Colonial Athletic Association	23
East Regional	11
Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association	47
Eastern Wrestling League	32
Mid-American Conference	19
Pacific-10 Conference	39
Southern Conference	14
West Regional	21
TOTAL QUALIFIERS	330

Wild Card Policy. The following wild card policy has been adopted for the 2007 championships:

The champion in each of the 10 weight classes at each qualifying tournament shall automatically qualify for the national championships. Each conference or regional qualifying tournament with 20 or more qualifiers will have two wild card options. Option A is full flights of 10 qualifiers, plus the remaining wild cards. Option B is determined by subtracting the number of qualifiers in full flights (e.g., champions, second-place finishers, third-place finishers, etc.) from the total number of qualifiers allocated, and then adding 10. Each head wrestling coach at the qualifying tournament will have a vote on the option that is selected. If the vote is tied, Option A shall be automatically used. Wild card qualifiers are required to have placed at least within three positions of the selected option's automatic qualifiers, and all wrestlers who meet the criteria should be considered. It is required that each conference or regional qualifying tournament make the wild card option determination, if applicable, before the beginning of the seeding meeting for that respective tournament.

For example, a qualifying tournament that is allocated 43 positions would have two options. Option A would be such that the qualifying tournament would qualify its champion, second-place finisher, third-place finisher and fourth-place finisher from each weight class, plus three wild card qualifiers. The wild card qualifiers would be required to have finished in seventh place or higher in the qualifying tournament. Option B would be such that the qualifying tournament would qualify its champion, second-place finisher and third-place finisher from each weight class, plus 13 wild card qualifiers. The wild card qualifiers would be required to have finished in sixth place or higher in the qualifying tournament.

The following would provide two additional examples based on hypothetical allocations to two qualifying tournaments as to the wild card options available.

Qualifying Tournament:	Option A:	Option B:
Conference A	10 + 6 wild cards	N/A
Note: If a qualifying tournament earns fewer than 20 qualifiers, Option B is not applicable.		
Conference B	30 + 8 wild cards	20 + 18 wild cards

Automatic-Qualifying Conferences

[Reference: Bylaws 31.3.4 and 31.3.5 in the Division I Manual.]

For a listing of those conferences that receive automatic qualification, see Appendix A.

Special Criteria. The Wrestling Committee may grant exceptions to the “six-team” requirement, subject to the approval of the Championships/Competition Cabinet.

Submitting Qualifiers to Championships

The tournament managers of all qualifying tournaments are responsible for preparing a list of qualifiers, including their tournament finish, year in school and season won-lost record (including results from the qualifying tournament). This information must be submitted online to the NWCA Web site at www.nwcaonline.com/performance by 8 p.m. Eastern time, Sunday, March 4.

Registration

The list of entrants submitted by the qualifying-tournament managers does not constitute the official entry. Each head coach, or the appointed institutional representative, must verify the entry of the student-athlete(s) at the site of the national championships before the competition. In case of emergency, verification may be accomplished by contacting Ragine M. Dvorak of the local organizing committee via telephone. The registration deadline (1 p.m., Wednesday, March 14) and emergency telephone number (734/476-4477) have been established. Failure to meet the entry and registration deadlines will eliminate a contestant from the championships. Only extenuating circumstances will be considered by the Wrestling Committee or an appointed subcommittee.

Replacement Policy

Qualifying-tournament personnel must submit the names of the individuals who have qualified for the championships before the established deadlines. Only those individuals listed on the qualifiers list for the respective national championships will be allowed to compete. Replacements on the list are permitted until the established deadline — 2 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, March 12. Replacements must be the next-best wrestler from the qualifying tournament, regardless of weight class. There will be no replacements after 2 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, March 12.

The contact person for replacements for the championships is Chad Tolliver of the NCAA national office. Mr. Tolliver can be reached by facsimile at 317/917-6235. If a

problem is encountered when faxing this information, please call 317/917-6222.

Late Entry

If an institution fails to enter its individuals before the established qualifying tournament deadline of February 26 (February 19 for Pacific-10 Conference institutions), a late-entry fine of \$50 per individual, not to exceed \$300 per institution, may be assessed. Fines will need to be paid before an institution is allowed to register any student-athletes for the national championships. Late-entry fines are to be made payable to the NCAA and be submitted to Randy L. Buhr at the NCAA. The funds received will be distributed to support NCAA student-athlete initiatives.

Certification of Eligibility/Availability

[Reference: Certification of Eligibility/Availability in the Division I general section and Constitution 3.2.4 and Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 in the Division I Manual.]

Only student-athletes eligible under Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 may compete in NCAA championships. In accordance with Constitution 3.2.4, member institutions are required to certify the eligibility of their student-athletes before the beginning of each academic year and to withhold ineligible student-athletes from all intercollegiate competition. Member institutions are reminded to notify the NCAA national office before the selection date for each championship of any student-athlete who may have participated in regular-season competition but subsequently is determined to be ineligible or unavailable for NCAA championships competition.

Pairings

[Reference: Bylaw 31.1.3 in the Division I Manual.]

An open draw will be conducted for the Division I championships. After the seeds have been determined and placed in the bracket, the remainder of the weight class will be drawn randomly; however, all wrestlers from the same qualifying tournament will be separated through the bracket of 32 competitors.

Forms

The NCAA Season Record Form and the NCAA Qualifying Tournament Entry Form must be completed online at www.nwcaonline.com/performance. The NCAA List of Qualifiers Form (to be completed by the qualifying tournament managers only) must also be submitted by each qualifying tournament manager. Forms that are filled out incorrectly or have incomplete results are subject to a fine of \$50 per form or a maximum of \$300 per institution, to be paid in advance or at the national championships site.

Instructions to Participants

Audio Coverage (Radio and Internet)

Please refer to the NCAA Broadcast Manual policies and guidelines that can be found on www.ncaasports.com/broadcast.

Awards

[Reference: Awards in the Division I General Section and Bylaw 31.1.12 in the Division I Manual.]

Official NCAA awards will be presented to the top eight place finishers in each of the 10 weight classes. Trophies will be awarded to the top four teams. In addition, individual awards shall be presented to student-athletes who competed in the wrestling championships and represented an institution that placed first, second, third or fourth. When student-athletes are receiving their awards, they shall wear their school's official warm-up. No additional apparel or equipment (e.g., hats, jewelry, signs, etc.) may be worn or carried during the awards ceremony.

No awards may be provided at any NCAA-sponsored Division I wrestling regional.

Participant Social. There will not be an official NCAA banquet or participant social in conjunction with the championships. However, the hosts will provide each qualifier with a goodie basket in lieu of the banquet/social. These items will be provided to the head coach when the team registers.

Bracket Sheets

Bracket sheets will be distributed before each session of the championships to participating institutions based on the following formula developed by the Wrestling Committee:

Qualifiers	Bracket Sheet(s)
1 to 5	1
6 to 10	2

Bye Points

A bye point will be awarded to wrestlers who win their next match after the bye.

Cheerleaders and Mascots

Cheerleaders and mascots are required to purchase a ticket and are not permitted on the floor.

Credentials (Other Than Media)

[Reference: Tickets in the Division I General Section and Bylaw 31.1.13 in the Division I Manual.]

Working credentials may be provided to bona fide working personnel. Participation credentials will be provided to student-athletes competing in the championships.

Coaches, managers and other members of the participating institution's official party, as defined by the Association, will be provided credentials as follows:

Qualifiers	Number of Credentials
1 to 3	2
4 to 7	3
8 to 10	4

Please note that for the 2007 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships, an institution that earns one to three qualifiers may purchase two additional credentials for its coaching staff and an institution that earns four to seven qualifiers may purchase one additional credential for its coaching staff. Each institution must submit its declaration of coaches' form to the host institution at the same time it submits its request form for credentials. The cost for each of these credentials is \$150.

In addition to the above, one credential per institution will be available to the institution's authorized athletic trainer and/or physician accompanying the team. These credentials will only be provided to the appropriate personnel at registration. Finally, for the 2007 Division I Wrestling Championships, each institution may designate one team administrator (this individual must have no coaching responsibilities) to receive a team administrator credential (e.g., associate director of athletics, director of athletics, etc.). Each institution must designate its administrator prior to team registration. Violators are subject to misconduct provisions as well as revocation of the credential.

The fee for replacement of credentials is \$170.

Drug Testing

[Reference: Drug Testing in the Division I General Section and Bylaws 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3 in the Division I Manual.]

Student-athletes who compete in these championships may be subjected to drug tests in accordance with Bylaws 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3 and may be determined to be ineligible as a result thereof. Only student-athletes who have consented in writing to such testing are initially eligible for these championships; and thereafter, student-athletes who are tested shall remain eligible only if they test negative.

Housing

Hotel reservations for the official travel parties of the competing teams, the referees, the evaluators, and Division I Wrestling Committee representatives shall be made by the NCAA. The Detroit Metro Sports Commission will assign teams to the hotel properties. Rooms will be allocated according to the number of student-athletes who have qualified from each institution. The following formula will be used for the team hotels:

Qualifiers	Number of Rooms
1	3
2-3	4
4-5	5
6-7	6
8-9	7
10	8

Requests for hotel rooms must be made by 5 p.m. Eastern time on March 5; after this deadline, institutions will have to make their own hotel arrangements. Once the teams/qualifiers have been determined and assigned to the team hotels, the reservations should be reconfirmed in the names of the institutions; and, thereafter, the institutions shall be responsible for the reservations.

Participating institutions are responsible for the rooms reserved by the NCAA. If an institution prefers to stay in another hotel, the institution must (1) obtain a release of the rooms in writing from the hotel's general manager or (2) use the rooms for persons accompanying the official travel party. In either case, the institution is responsible for securing arrangements at another property. If an institution fails to make satisfactory arrangements for the use of the rooms at the assigned hotel, it will be charged for those rooms.

Please contact the following individuals with questions regarding room reservations: John Francis (313/202-1993).

Mat-Area Control

In addition to the participating wrestler, three representatives per institution will be allowed in the corner of the mat; however, one of those persons must be the institution's physician or authorized institutional athletic trainer. The description of, and penalty for, violation of this rule are listed in Rule 4-13-b-d (pages WR-43-44) in the 2007 NCAA Wrestling Rules and Interpretations.

Medical/Skin Checks, Weigh-ins

All student-athletes shall be examined by qualified physicians (at the national tournament, one of them shall be a dermatologist) and/or certified athletic trainers for communicable diseases before the competition.

The medical/skin examination and weigh-in area shall be a private, secure area. Only participants will be admitted to the medical/skin check and weigh-in area. All

participants must report to all weigh-ins clean shaven; nails trimmed; and hair at proper length. Student-athletes who fail to make weight and/or pass the skin examination will not have their transportation and per diem paid by the NCAA. The established medical-check time is 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 14. Medical checks end precisely after the last student-athlete has been checked.

Failure to receive a medical examination or weigh-in during the designated time will result in disqualification. Only extenuating circumstances will be considered by the wrestling committee or an appointed subcommittee. The tournament physician, as designated by the host institution and the NCAA, shall examine the skin of all participants during the medical examinations. The tournament physician/dermatologist shall report the results of the examination to the chair of the wrestling committee or a designated representative, who shall then be responsible for the administrative enforcement of the medical recommendation if it involves disqualification from the tournament.

No media shall be permitted at the weigh-ins or medical examinations.

Please refer to Appendix D of the 2007 NCAA Wrestling Rules and Interpretations book for specifics regarding medical examinations and guidelines for disposition of skin infections.

Meetings

[Reference: Misconduct in the Division I General Section and Bylaws 31.02.3 and 31.1.10 in the Division I Manual.]

A mandatory prechampionships meeting of coaches of participating teams, officials and games-committee members is 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 14.

At the prechampionships meeting, administrative matters and the conduct of the championships will be reviewed, including conditions under which a student-athlete or representative of an institution may be disqualified from further participation in the championships for reasons of misconduct. [See Bylaw 31.1.10.] It is mandatory that a representative from each participating institution attend the meeting. Failure to attend may result in penalties as prescribed in Bylaw 31.1.10.3.

Mementos

For only the championships, each student-athlete competing should receive a memento. In addition, the following guidelines must also be used to determine the number of mementos that should be provided to non-athletes from each institution that has a qualifier: One memento for a non-athlete from institutions with one to three individuals selected; two mementos for non-athletes from institutions with four to six individuals selected; three mementos for non-athletes from institutions with seven to nine individuals selected; and five mementos for non-athletes from institutions with 10 individuals selected. Watches cannot be used as a memento.

News, Media, Press Conferences and Satellite Feeds

Please refer to the NCAA Broadcast Manual policies and guidelines that can be found on www.ncaasports.com/broadcast.

Parking Passes

Each institution will most likely receive two reserved parking spaces for the 2007 championships. The cost for parking is built into the 2007 ticket prices. This area will be in close proximity for student-athletes, coaches and other institutional personnel to enter the practice and competition venue. Any changes to the parking-pass policy must be approved by the NCAA championships primary staff liaison, in consultation with the wrestling committee and the local organizing committee.

Programs

[Reference: Advertising in the Division I General Section and Bylaws 31.1.14.1 and 31.6.3 in the NCAA Division I Manual.]

Host Communications, Inc. will be responsible for all program production including layout and design, advertising, printing, vending and distribution to the championship sites. No competing publications, whether sold or free of charge, are permitted at NCAA events without prior permission of the NCAA and Host Communications. The championships host should not include expenses or revenues for programs in the championships proposed budget and/or financial report. All program contents are subject to NCAA approval.

Advertising

Each program will include NCAA corporate champion and partner advertising. Additionally, programs may include non-competing national advertisements as well as local advertisements. All advertisements must follow NCAA advertising guidelines and are subject to NCAA approval. If your school would like to sell advertising into the official program or you know of an individual who would like to serve as a local advertising representative, please contact Doug Iler (502/459-4346; doug.iler@hostcommunications.com) for information regarding rates, availability and deadlines.

Editorial

If you are interested in the specific content of the program you will receive, please contact Marianne Stoess (859/226-4549; marianne.stoess@hostcommunications.com).

Generally, programs include the following:

1. Participant information - Host Communications will request information, including rosters, schedule/results, photos, school quick facts and logos. If your team is eligible for postseason selection, please send all materials that are requested by the date requested. Programs print on the day selections for the championship are announced. If materials are not on file, your school's information will not be included. HOST will attempt to provide proofs for SID approval when time permits. If you are not sure what/when materials are needed, please contact Ms. Stoess at Host Communications.
2. Programs for predetermined sites will include information on the host institution, host city and/or host facility. In addition, some programs provide complimentary advertising space. Host Communications will contact via e-mail the tournament manager and sports information contacts, as listed on the key contact form submitted to the NCAA, with the specifics of what items are needed and when those items are due. Host institution pages are subject to NCAA approval.

3. Event-specific historical information, including past champions, records, all-tournament teams and/or the previous year's recap.
4. Information on the NCAA, including the sport committee.
5. Feature stories - Not all programs include event/sport-specific features. However, if you have an idea for a feature story, please submit it to Ms. Stoess at Host Communications.

Program Supplements and Update Sheets

Host institutions for single-day/session championship rounds may choose to supplement the program with additional information (e.g., updated statistics or updated match notes) pertaining to the event at its site that day. The cost of producing these supplements will be covered by the host institution and will not be expensed to the NCAA or Host Communications. The content must be approved by Host Communications prior to the event and the supplements must be distributed inside and as a part of the program. The cost of the program cannot be raised as a result of the supplement. Once all programs have been sold, these supplements may be given away or sold at the discretion of the host institution, with all potential revenue for such remaining with the host institution. No advertising of any kind may be sold or placed on the supplements. If supplements are distributed, following the conclusion of the championship event please mail two samples of each supplement to Marianne Stoess (Host Communications, 904 North Broadway, Lexington, Kentucky 40505, ATTN: Marianne Stoess).

For championships that have multiple sessions, matches, events or days, host institutions may choose or be required by the NCAA to produce update sheets (e.g., heat sheets, lane assignments, pairings). Host Communications will contact hosts of those championships in advance of their events to discuss projected quantities and the paper on which update sheets should be printed. The cost of producing the update sheets will be covered by the host institution and not be expensed to the NCAA or Host Communications. The first update sheet of the event should be distributed inside and as a part of the program. Subsequent update sheets complement the program and are to be redeemed only with a coupon from the program. The cost of the program cannot be raised as a result of the update sheet. Once all programs have been sold, update sheets may be given away or sold at the discretion of the host institution, with all potential revenue for such remaining with the host institution. No advertising of any kind may be sold or placed on the update sheets. If update sheets are distributed, following the conclusion of the championship event please mail two samples of each update sheet to Ms. Stoess (Host Communications, 904 North Broadway, Lexington, Kentucky 40505, ATTN: Marianne Stoess).

If a host institution would like to supplement the program with additional information, or has a question about the update sheets, please contact Matt Briggs at Host Communications (859/226-4556; matthew.briggs@hostcommunications.com).

Program Sales

1. Predetermined sites: Will be contacted at least two weeks prior to the event. If you have not been contacted within two weeks of your championship, please contact Matt Briggs (859/226-4556; matthew.briggs@hostcommunications.com). You will receive your vending agreement (contract) and settlement statement prior to the championship.
2. Non-predetermined sites: Once sites are announced, Host Communications determines how many programs will be sent to each site and will contact the site. Your vending

agreement (contract) and settlement statement will be e-mailed within one day of your site being selected.

3. Distribution of programs: Programs will be shipped to the host institution at least one day prior to the event when possible. If your shipping information is different than that on the contract please contact Mr. Briggs at Host Communications immediately.
4. Display of programs: Any posters/banners included with the programs should be hung in a visible location to promote awareness for the programs without obstructing other championship signage.
5. Collections
 - a. Contracts
 - i. Upon site selections, all contracts are e-mailed to each site representative
 - ii. A dedicated fax number will be assigned for receiving all signed contracts back to Host Communications (859/226-4575)
 - iii. A Host Communications representative will track the return of all signed vending contracts to Host Communications
 - b. Settlement Reports
 - i. Three days after the conclusion of the event, all settlement reports must be faxed to Host Communications (859/226-4575)
 - ii. The vendor will have two weeks to submit payment to Host Communications
 - iii. A Host Communications representative will be assigned to track the receipt of all vending settlement reports and payments
 - iv. If payment and/or settlement have not been received within the two-week period, Host Communications will include the site/ championship on its "No Pay" list sent to the NCAA
 - v. Do not combine settlement statements for separate rounds/events or combine program settlements with Event 1 merchandise
 - vi. Please include the event number on the check that is sent

Please contact Matt Briggs (859/226-4556; matthew.briggs@hostcommunications.com) at Host Communications with any vending-related questions.

Protest Procedure

Protests may be lodged only for errors in the recording of points or match results, and for nonjudgment errors in the application of rules. The coach must inform the official scorer and the referee of the intent to protest the bout before the bout sheet is removed from the scorer's table. The referee will note this intent to protest the bout on the bout sheet and will notify the opposing wrestler not to leave the area until the matter is settled. Scorer's table personnel or the referee shall inform the head table that a protest has been made. A protest must be filed in writing with the games committee within a 10-minute period after the bout. The protest must be in written form on a protest sheet provided by the games committee and be accompanied by a \$100 protest fee. Should the appellant's protest be upheld, the fee will be returned. Protest fees are included in championships receipts.

Qualifiers Lists on NCAA Web Site

When available, qualifiers will be posted on the official championships Web site (www.ncaasports.com).

Referees-Finals Site

Each referee is paid a per-session fee. The 2007 per-session fee is \$150. In addition, referees will receive travel expenses according to the actual mode of transportation, not to exceed jet coach air fare or 43 cents per mile, but not including terminal or other local transportation. Referees who travel by air must make travel arrangements through the NCAA travel service, Short's Travel Management (866/655-9215).

Hotel expenses (excluding incidentals) for referees required to stay overnight at the championships site shall be paid by the host institution and later reimbursed by the NCAA. Officials will receive a \$45 per diem for meals and incidentals for each day at the championships, beginning with the day of arrival and ending with the day of departure. Officials not required to stay overnight also shall receive a per diem of \$45. It is required that officials be paid not later than 10 days after the competition.

All referees selected must have attended or viewed the official NCAA wrestling rules clinic conducted in the fall of 2006.

The Wrestling Committee selects 20 referees to officiate the championships based upon information provided by the coaches who participated in the various qualifying conference tournaments and regionals.

During the qualifying tournaments each year, tournament managers are asked to poll the coaches in their conference or qualifying tournament, and develop a list of the top referees they believe should be officiating the national championships. Each tournament manager is required to submit names in rank order, complete with home addresses and telephone numbers. It is not a requirement for a referee to have worked in a conference or regional qualifying tournament to be considered for selection to the national championships.

Referees will be selected by the committee from a list of the top-ranked referees from the previous year's championships.

All referees selected to officiate the national championships are required to execute an official contract; additionally, referees must arrive at the site of competition one day before the start of competition to attend a briefing meeting and view the committee's rules-interpretation DVD.

Because the number of mats used during the championships is reduced each day, the number of referees also will be reduced. The following formula will be used:

First and second days = 20 referees

Third day, first session = 20 referees

Third day, final session = 10 referees, 10 assistant referees

Referees who do not advance may serve as assistant referees during the third day of competition. All referees will receive the same fee and regular per diem for the championships.

A referee-evaluation committee will be established to determine which referees will advance to the championship matches. The evaluation committee will consist of 10 members.

All members of the evaluation committee are required to attend an orientation meeting before the championships to discuss the evaluation process, review the rules

and view the committee's rules-interpretation DVD.

The evaluation committee's results will be computed and given to the referees approximately one hour after the conclusion of competition during the first and second day. In addition, performance criteria will be shared with each referee. At the conclusion of the championships, all scores will be computed, the referees will be ranked and the information will be used as a guide for selection of referees for next year's championships.

Policies. A sports committee or games committee may not require membership in any specific officials' association as a prerequisite for selection to officiate in an NCAA meet or tournament. Officials shall be selected and assigned by the sports committee or games committee, which shall ensure that officials adhere to the Association's policies relating to gambling and drug and alcohol use. Furthermore, officials must conduct themselves in a manner befitting intercollegiate athletics. Failure to do so may result in termination of the officiating assignment.

Referees-Regional Competition

All NCAA-sponsored regionals must obtain referees from the local area that have attended or viewed the official NCAA wrestling rules clinic in the fall of 2006. The tournament managers are responsible for the acquisition of referees, subject to the approval of the division committee chair. The number of referees is determined by the application of the formula of 1 ½ referees per mat. If an uneven number of mats is being used, the number of referees shall be rounded up to the next whole number. Please note that if only two mats are used for the competition, then four officials may be assigned. Each referee is paid a per-session fee. The 2007 fee is \$150. In addition, all officials will receive travel expenses based on 43 cents per mile. Referees will receive a \$45 per diem for meals and incidentals for each day of the regionals, beginning with the day of arrival and ending with the day of departure. It is required that officials be paid not later than 10 days after the competition.

Results for National Office Files

Before the championships begin, the host institution's sports information director shall provide the media coordinator with one file copy of the official program for national office filing purposes. Once the championships are completed, the host institution, in conjunction with Host Communications, is responsible for printing a complete set of final bracket sheets. The host institution shall mail one set to the coach and sports information director, respectively, of each participating institution, via regular mail and send one set to the NCAA, attention Randy L. Buhr, via overnight mail, at the NCAA Distribution Center, 1802 Alonzo Watford Sr. Drive, Indianapolis, Indiana 46202 (telephone: 317/917-6222). Similar files are not needed for the qualifying tournaments.

Results on NCAA Web Site System

The host sports information director, media coordinator or designee for the regionals only are responsible for posting results on the official championships Web site at www.ncaasports.com immediately after each session of the wrestling regionals. Please

send all updates to updates@ncaasports.com. The results for the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships will be updated on the NCAA Web site system by an NCAA staff member or designee.

Rules

Per NCAA Bylaw 17.33, member institutions shall conduct all of their intercollegiate competition in accordance with the playing rules of the Association in all sports for which the NCAA develops playing rules. For those sports in which the Association follows rules that are developed by other governing bodies and modified by the governing sports committee, the adopted playing rules shall be used. The governing sports committee will not consider any results for selection purposes that are not played in accordance with NCAA rules, or those rules adopted by an outside organization.

2007 NCAA Wrestling Rules and Interpretations will be followed, with the exception of bye points and pairings, for the regionals and championships. Questions regarding rules interpretations should be directed to Robert G. Bubb, secretary-rules editor, NCAA Wrestling Committee, 946 Forest Drive, Clarion, Pennsylvania 16214-4548; phone: 814/764-6374; fax: 814/764-6395.

Seeding

When compiling a student-athlete's won-lost record for seeding purposes, all matches against student-athletes who compete on intercollegiate teams at four-year, degree-granting institutions where NCAA rules are followed shall be counted, including open or unattached competition.

Championships

For the championships, two coaches are selected by the Division I Wrestling Committee from each of the various conference and regional qualifying tournaments to serve on the preseeding committee. Results of major tournaments and championships are provided to the preseeding committee, and the committee determines the top-ranked student-athletes in each weight class. At no time will lobbying or supplying of additional materials be allowed during the preseeding. Coaches attempting to lobby or supply additional materials may be cited for misconduct.

A selected representative from each qualifying tournament is responsible for submitting the list of qualifiers and updated season record forms for all qualifiers and alternates to be considered for seeding. This must be completed online via the NWCA Web site at www.nwcaonline.com/performance immediately after the respective qualifying tournament. In addition, each qualifying tournament manager must submit to Chad Tolliver (Randy L. Buhr's assistant) at the NCAA national office by facsimile transmission (317/917-6235), immediately after the respective qualifying tournament, one copy of the tournament results for each weight class.

The national office will compile all preseed materials and distribute them to the preseed representatives, who will rank each qualifier he believes deserves seeding. These rankings must also be submitted online via the NWCA Web site by noon, Eastern time Saturday, March 10. A teleconference will be conducted Sunday, March 11, to contest the preseeds. All preseed representatives are required to be on the teleconference.

Final seedings and pairings are made by the Division I Wrestling Committee after a review of the preseeds Monday, March 12, by the preseeding committee. Pairing sheets will be distributed via an Internet announcement after 6 p.m. Monday, March 12. These pairings are not to be released by any other media outlet before the official NCAA announcement.

Regionals

Coaches at all regional competitions are responsible for seeding the student-athletes. The season record form for each participant is used in the determination of the seeding.

Squad Size

[Reference: Per Diem and Transportation in the Division I General Section.]

Please refer to the NCAA Travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. Travel policies can be found online at <http://www1.ncaa.org/finance/travel/index.html>.

Team Banners

Each team, subject to the approval of the games committee, may display one team banner void of commercial advertising.

Television Rights and Footage Licensing

Please refer to the NCAA Broadcast Manual policies and guidelines that can be found on www.ncaasports.com/broadcast.

Time Schedules (Tentative-Subject to Change)

The Palace of Auburn Hills
University of Michigan, and the Detroit Metro Sports Commission,
hosts
Auburn Hills, Michigan

Wednesday, March 14

1 p.m.—Prechampionships coaches meeting (coaches of participating teams must attend the meeting)

1 p.m.—Registration closes

1:30 p.m.—Press conference with selected student-athletes

2:30 p.m.—Press conference with selected head coaches

3 p.m.—Medical/skin checks

Thursday, March 15

9 a.m.—Weigh-ins

11 a.m.—Session One - Preliminaries

6:30 p.m.—Session Two - Preliminaries and wrestle-backs

Friday, March 16

10 a.m.—Weigh-ins

11 a.m.—Session Three - Quarterfinals and wrestle-backs

7 p.m.—Session Four - Semifinals and wrestle-backs

Saturday, March 17

9 a.m.—Weigh-ins

10 a.m.—Session Five - Consolation finals

7:35 p.m.—Grand March (Parade of All-Americans)

8:00 p.m.—Championships finals

10:00 p.m.—Team Awards will be presented following all competition. Individual Awards will be presented between each weight class.

Times subject to change for television.

Training Facilities

Athletic training facilities will be made available to the competing teams by the host institution beginning at noon, Tuesday, March 13.

Uniforms

[Reference: Bylaw 12.5.4 in the Division I Manual.]

The uniform shall conform to the standards set forth in Rule 1-11 through 14 (pages WR 13-16), of the 2007 NCAA Wrestling Rules and Interpretations. In addition, the following rules will be applicable for contestants and coaches attire:

Contestants' attire. All contestants shall be uniformly attired in their school's official warm-up and match uniform. No hats, stocking caps or other inappropriate apparel are permitted. Violations of this rule shall result in the head coach being penalized under control of mat area (see Rule 4-13-d).

Coaches' attire. The wearing of jeans, T-shirts, sweatsuits and warm-up suits (top and/or bottom), headwear and similar apparel are not suitable attire for coaches during dual and tournament competition and, therefore, are prohibited. Each coach in violation of this rule shall be penalized under control of mat area (see Rule 4-13-d). Further, the coach(es) in violation shall not sit in the designated reserved zone for coaching if the prohibited apparel is not replaced with suitable attire.

Logos. During its April 1994 meeting, the NCAA Council used the provisions of NCAA Constitution 5.3.1.1.1 (noncontroversial amendment) to amend the provisions of Bylaw 12.5.4-(b) to indicate that an institution's official uniform and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, headbands, T-shirts, wristbands, visors or hats, and towels) that are worn by student-athletes in competition may bear a single manufacturer's or distributor's normal trademark, not to exceed 2¼ square inches in area, including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. The logo or trademark must be contained within a four-sided geometrical figure (i.e., rectangle, square, parallelogram).

In addition, an institution's official uniform cannot bear a design element similar to the manufacturer's or that is in addition to another logo that is contrary to the size restriction.

A student-athlete representing an institution in intercollegiate competition is limited to wearing apparel items that include only the logo (not to exceed 2¼ square inches) of an apparel manufacturer or distributor. The student-athlete may not wear any apparel that identifies any other entity, other than the student-athlete's institution.

In Division I and National Collegiate Championships, these restrictions apply to all apparel worn by student-athletes and all personnel including coaches, trainers, managers, team support personnel, cheerleaders, mascots and band and dance team members, during the conduct of practice and competition, which includes any pregame or postgame activities.

This bylaw will be enforced strictly at all NCAA championships and the names of individuals and institutions that are not in compliance with this bylaw shall be forwarded to the NCAA enforcement staff.

Videotapes, Films and Still Photographs

[Reference: Bylaw 31.6.4.3 in the Division I Manual.]

The hosts for the championships, the University of Michigan, and the Detroit Metro Sports Commission, will provide the personnel necessary to videotape championships competition. Institutions requesting videotapes from the matches of their individual student-athletes must provide blank VHS tapes (designated by institution and weight class) for the use of the videotaping crews. It is recommended that the host institution provide blank VHS tapes for a cost of \$5 per tape for teams that may need them.

Please refer to the NCAA Broadcast Manual policies and guidelines that can be found on www.ncaasports.com/broadcast for additional information.

Weigh-Ins

It is mandatory that all participants in each weight class weigh in. The weigh-ins will be supervised by the Wrestling Committee. Digital scales are recommended for use at all weigh-ins.

The weigh-in and medical/skin examination area shall be in a private and secure area only. Only participants and properly credentialed tournament officials will be admitted to the weigh-in area.

Student-athletes must complete a medical/skin check and receive medical clearance on site the day before weigh-ins.

The weigh-ins will be conducted at the following times:

9 a.m., Thursday, March 15

10 a.m., Friday, March 16

9 a.m., Saturday, March 17

Times are subject to change if the session times change due to television.

Web sites/Internet

Please refer to the NCAA Broadcast Manual policies and guidelines that can be found on www.ncaasports.com/broadcast.

Appendix A

Automatic-Qualifying Conferences

Atlantic Coast Conference	Eastern Wrestling League
Big 10 Conference	Mid-American Conference
Big 12 Conference	Pacific-10 Conference
Colonial Athletic Association	Southern Conference
Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association	

Appendix B

Regions

East Region

Delaware State University
Duquesne University
Gardner-Webb University

Liberty University
Millersville University of Pennsylvania

West Region

Eastern Illinois University
North Dakota State University
University of Northern Colorado

University of Northern Iowa
South Dakota State University
U.S. Air Force Academy
University of Wyoming

Appendix C

Qualifier Allocation Criteria

A base allocation of qualifiers shall be determined by using the primary formula, secondary formula, and minimum and maximum controls described below.

After the base allocation has been determined, the remaining 10 to 20 discretionary qualifiers shall be allocated to the various qualifying tournaments by using the discretionary-qualifier criteria listed below.

The discretionary qualifiers are assigned by the NCAA Wrestling Committee and are used to alleviate any unforeseen flaws in the base allocation. Several safeguards and caps have been put into place to ensure equitable representation from all qualifying tournaments.

1. Primary Formula.

- a. The top 12 place-winners in each weight division shall count equally in determining the qualifiers.
- b. Since there are 330 wrestlers in the championships and 120 top 12 place-winners, each top 12 place-winner shall generate 2.75 qualifiers (330 divided by 120).
- c. The maximum number of wrestlers that a team can qualify to the NCAA championships is 10. For example, if a team places all 10 wrestlers in the top 12, by using the concept in 1b, the team would account for 27.5 qualifiers (10 x 2.75). However, that team shall only contribute 10.

2. Secondary Formula.

- a. Qualifying tournament size. Additional qualifiers shall be allocated based on the size of the qualifying tournament. The allocation is as follows:
 - 8-10 teams = + 1 qualifier
 - 11+ teams = + 2 qualifiers
- b. Trend. This factor allows the qualifying tournament to earn or lose qualifiers based on a positive or negative trend over a five-year period. To compute trend, take the average of the first three years (old average) and compare it to the average of the last two years (new average). The formula for trend is as follows:
 - New average is 110% to 125% of old average = + 1 qualifier
 - New average is \geq 126% of old average = + 2 qualifiers
 - Old average is 110% to 125% of new average = - 1 qualifier
 - Old average is \geq 126% of new average = - 2 qualifiers

If the new and old trend differ by less than 10 percent, there shall be no trend adjustment (0).

- c. Adjusted average. An adjusted average shall be determined by multiplying 1.1 times the five-year average and then adding the trend and qualifying tournament size to this number.

3. Minimum and Maximum Controls.

- a. If the adjusted average is less than 11, the qualifying tournament shall receive 11 qualifiers unless the committee determines that a qualifying tournament's participation has been significantly affected.
- b. Except when teams change qualifying tournaments, no qualifying tournament shall gain or lose more than three qualifiers in one year.

- c. No qualifying tournament shall receive more than 65 percent of the total number of participants in that qualifying tournament as a base allocation.
4. Discretionary Qualifiers. After the base allocation, the 10 to 20 remaining qualifiers shall be allocated by the NCAA Wrestling Committee based upon the following criteria:
- a. Equitable regional representation.
 - b. A qualifying tournament's one-year and five-year average team points at the NCAA championships.
 - c. A qualifying tournament's one-year and five-year average winning percentages at the NCAA championships.
 - d. Teams adding and dropping from qualifying tournaments.