



MALE ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE

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As one of Wrestling Canada Lutte's Athlete Representatives you play a critical role by providing insight into the interests, concerns and perspectives of Senior and Junior national team athletes across the country.

PURPOSE

To represent and promote the views and interests of national team athletes in an effort to further the objectives of Wrestling Canada Lutte (WCL).

CANDIDATURE

- There is one Male Athlete Representative position open for nomination.
- The Male Athlete Representative position comes up for election every two years (odd years). Please note that the 2-year term may be revised, as we continue to transition to a new governance structure.
- Candidates must be a current or previous senior national team athlete. Athletes that have retired in the last 2 years will be eligible for nomination.
- The nominated athlete must sign the nomination form stating that, if elected, he accepts the position of Athlete Representative.
- This is a volunteer position.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Athlete Representative will take part in all meetings related to the Athlete Representative position.
 - a) **Athlete Council (currently in the development stages):**
 - The Athlete Council will meet by telephone or in person, as required.
 - There will be at least one face-to-face meeting of the Athletes Council each year (TBD).
 - b) **AthletesCAN Forum – once a year:**

Participation at the forum will alternate between the Male and Female Athlete Representative so each Representative will have an opportunity to attend at least one





Forum event during their term. The Athlete Representative will be expected to represent WCL interests, as required.

Information on the 2017 AthletesCAN Forum is not yet available.

c) Board of Directors (BOD) meetings:

Applies only if the Athlete Representative is the elected Director (Athletes).

d) Other WCL committee meetings:

As necessary.

2. The Athlete Representative will act as the liaison between WCL staff and WCL National Team athletes, by presenting athlete views and positions to WCL staff and relevant decision-making bodies of WCL. More specifically, present the unique and ever changing needs of National Team athletes to improve planning, development and delivery of WCL programs and initiatives. This may include:
 - a) Surveying the opinions and concerns of National Team athletes across the country.
 - b) Informing athletes of WCL mandates and programs.
 - c) Liaising with other provincial athlete representatives.
 - d) Providing feedback on current issues.
3. The Athlete Representative may also be called upon to help resolve problems encountered by other National Team athletes (example, discipline).
4. The Athlete Representative will continuously strive to promote the sport of wrestling, in all of its aspects, both in Canada as well as abroad.
5. The Athlete Representative will represent the athletes and WCL in a positive and supportive manner at all times and places.

NOTE: The Athlete Representative position consumes approximately three (3) to five (5) hours weekly.

WCL will reimburse all approved out-of-pocket travel and related expenses that are legitimate, reasonable and appropriate for the activity undertaken on behalf of WCL.

ELECTION PROCEDURES

1. Athlete Nomination Forms will be available from the WCL website as of Wednesday, March 15, 2017.



2. Nominated athletes must accept the nomination, sign and complete the nomination form and submit the form to the WCL High Performance Director by email (lvierling@wrestling.ca) or in person, no later than 5:00 pm local time on Friday, March 24, 2017.
3. A ballot for the Athlete Representative will be prepared and made available, on-site at the Senior Canadian Championships, to the eligible senior athletes as of 10:00 am local time on Saturday, March 25, 2017.
4. Eligible athletes will indicate their selection and deposit their ballot in a designated container scrutinized by the High Performance Director. When the athletes deposit their ballot, their names will be stroked off the list of eligible voters.
5. Only athletes registered in the 2017 Men's Freestyle Senior Canadian Championships are eligible to vote for the Athlete Representative.
6. Voting will close at 4:00 pm local time on Saturday, March 25, 2017.
7. The athlete with the greatest number of votes will be named the Athlete Representative.
8. In the event of a tie, the current Female Athlete Representative will have a casting vote.



MALE ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATION FORM

Nominee for Athlete Representative: _____

Nominated By: _____

MALE ATHLETE NOMINEE

I, _____ hereby accept the nomination for Male Athlete Representative and if elected, accept the position of WCL's Male Athlete Representative.

Signature of Nominated Athlete

Date

