





2025 Canadian U23 Wrestling Championships, Jr, Sr, Greco-Roman Championships, & Senior Non-Olympic Weight Class Trials

June 27-28, 2025 Canada Games Park Thorold, ON

EVENT INFORMATION (as of June 25, 2025)		
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE	Brock WC Dave Collie Phone: 905-931-9075 Email: dcollie@brocku.ca	
WRESTLING CANADA LUTTE (WCL)	plene Wong none: 613-748-5686 mail: jwong@wrestling.ca	
COMPETITION VENUE	Canada Games Park 2021 Canada Games Way Thorold, ON. L2V 4Y6 https://www.canadagamespark.ca/	
NUMBER OF MATS	2 competition mats	
RULES	Competition rules will be conducted according to the most recent edition of the WCL Rulebo (https://wrestling.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/2023 Rulebook.pdf) with a modified doub elimination bracket system or Round Robin (if less than 6 athletes per weight class).	













UNIFORM POLICY	Athletes - please refer to the Uniform Policy for WCL Sanctioned Events: https://wrestling.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Uniform-Policy_v2.pdf .		
PRACTICE TIMES	Training mats will be available at Canada Games Park on June 25th and 26th from 7:00am to 10:00pm. Training mats (2) will be available at the venue on Saturday. Contact: dcollie@brocku.ca to confirm and book practice times.		
MEDICAL & DOPING CONTROL	An event physician and athletic therapists will be in attendance on competition days (Friday & Saturday). Athletes requiring preventative therapy will require their own supplies. Doping control will be in effect at the event. Please refer to www.cces.ca for information regarding the Canadian Anti-Doping Program. For questions regarding the anti-doping program, please contact Kale Whitton (kwhitton@wrestling.ca) or 613-748-5686.		
AGE & WEIGHT CATEGORIES	U23: 19 to 23 years of age (born in 2002 to 2006). Athletes 18 years of age (born 2007) may compete in U23 competition, however parental authorization and a medical certificate are required if the athlete has not reached the age of 18 at the time of competition. WOMEN (WW): 50, 53, 55, 57, 59, 62, 65, 68, 72, 76 kg MEN'S FREESTYLE (FS): 57, 61, 65, 70, 74, 79, 86, 92, 97, 125 kg SENIOR: 20 + years of age (born in 2004 and older). Athletes from 18 years of age (born 2007 and older) may compete in Senior competition, however parental authorization and a medical certificate are required if the athlete has not reached the age of 18 at the time of competition. Athletes 40 years of age and above (born in 1985 and older) must provide a medical certificate. WOMEN (WW): 55, 59, 65, 72 kg MEN'S FREESTYLE (FS): 61, 70, 79, 92 kg GRECO-ROMAN: U20-JUNIOR: 18 to 20 years of age 20 (born in 2005, 2006, 2007). Athletes from 17 years of age (born 2008 and older) may compete in Junior competition, however parental authorization and a medical certificate are required. MEN'S GRECO-ROMAN (GR): 55, 60, 63, 67, 72, 77, 82, 87, 97, 130 kg		













AGE & WEIGHT CATEGORIES

SENIOR: 20 + years of age (born in 2004 and older).

Athletes from 18 years of age (born 2007 and older) may compete in Senior competition, however parental authorization and a medical certificate are required if the athlete has not reached the age of 18 at the time of competition. Athletes 40 years of age and above (born in 1985 and older) must provide a medical certificate.

MEN'S GRECO-ROMAN (GR): 55, 60, 63, 67, 72, 77, 82, 87, 97, 130 kg

All eligibility requirements must be met by the registration deadline.

All individuals must be registered members in good standing with their Provincial / Territorial Sport Organization (PTSO), CAWO (officials), and WCL. Please check with your PTSO to determine if there are any additional PTSO eligibility or registration requirements.

ATHLETES (Women & Men's Freestyle):

Competition is open to all athletes who are eligible to represent Canada as governed by United World Wrestling (UWW) eligibility requirements:

- Canadian citizen (no previous international representation with another country)
- Permanent Resident with an approved Sport Nationality Transfer from UWW, effective 2024
- Canadian citizen with an approved Sport Nationality Transfer from UWW, effective 2025 (previous national or international representation with another country)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ATHLETES (U20-Junior & Senior Greco-Roman):

Competition is open to Canadian citizens, Indigenous peoples (registered under the federal Indian Act), individuals with Permanent Resident Status and individuals with Refugee status.

COACHES:

To receive a coach accreditation (eligible to coach during the event), coaches must have Competition Development certified status or higher by the final registration deadline.

There will be a Coach Exemption Process in place. Please refer to Appendix A.

Foreign coaches (not members of a PTSO and living / working outside of Canada) seeking accreditation must contact Anthony Bhagwandin (nccp@wrestling.ca) for information on coaching requirements.

TEAM LEADERS:

Please note that team leaders do not have access to the field of play (in the corner).













PUBLIC HEALTH REGULATIONS & PROTOCOLS	All public health requirements in effect will be based on applicable health and safety measures required or recommended by the provincial and local public health authorities. Please note that the event health regulations & protocols are subject to change in order to respond to any government or public health agency requirements, restrictions or approvals, a any time. All accredited individuals, spectators and other participants will be expected to comply with such requirements at all times.	
SAFE SPORT REQUIREMENTS	All participants must complete Safety in Sport Training, Screening & Consent Requirements as outlined in the following document: https://wrestling.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/Safety-in-Sport-Training-Screening-Consent-Requirements-December-2024.pdf . Please note that this includes completing informed consent regarding the Canadian Safe Sport Program (CSSP). WCL's Safe Sport Participant fee (\$50 CAD) which supports WCL's various safety in sport policies, systems and processes, is applicable to athletes, training partners, coaches, and team leaders once annually per calendar year, and is included in the WCL License purchase. For more information, please refer to the policy at the following link: https://wrestling.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/Safe-Sport-Participant-Fee-Policy-May-2024.pdf . Please direct any questions to: info@wrestling.ca . *NOTE: All training, screening & consent must be valid for the duration of the 2025 calendar year.	
EVENT REGISTRATION	Please note that all individuals seeking accreditation will need to complete or renew a WCL Participant License for 2025 before registering for this event. Event registration can be accessed at the following link for athletes, coaches, officials, team medical, team leaders, and event volunteers: https://zmev.com/2025-canadian-u23-wrestling-championships-jr-sr-greco-roman-championships-senior-non-olympic-weight-class-trials *Registration does not imply that individuals are approved to participate and receive accreditation.	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE & ENTRY FEES	The EARLYBIRD registration deadline is May 30th, 2025 at 16:59 ET. SAVE \$50 by registering prior to May 30th, 2025 at 16:59 ET! U23 / SENIOR / GRECO (one event): \$150 (+ tax) – Women or Men's Freestyle or Men's Greco-Roman (one event)	













U23 / SENIOR / GRECO (two events):

\$230 (+ tax) – U23 Women + Senior Women

\$230 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Men's Freestyle

\$230 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Junior Greco-Roman

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U23 / SENIOR / GRECO (three events):

\$310 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Men's Freestyle + Junior Greco-Roman \$310 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Men's Freestyle + Senior Greco-Roman

SUPPORT STAFF:

\$0.00 (+ tax) - coach, team medical, team leader (no meals will be provided for support staff)

OFFICIALS: \$0.00

STANDARD registrations will be accepted until June 6th, 2025 at 16:59 ET. After May 30th, 2025 (16:59 ET), but prior to June 6th, 2025 (16:59 ET), standard registration prices will be in affect:

REGISTRATION **DEADLINE & ENTRY FEES**

U23 / SENIOR / GRECO (one event):

\$200 (+ tax) – Women or Men's Freestyle or Men's Greco-Roman (one event)

U23 / SENIOR / GRECO (two events):

\$280 (+ tax) – U23 Women + Senior Women

\$280 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Men's Freestyle

\$280 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Junior Greco-Roman

\$280 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Greco-Roman

U23 / SENIOR / GRECO (three events):

\$360 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Men's Freestyle + Junior Greco-Roman

\$360 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Men's Freestyle + Senior Greco-Roman

SUPPORT STAFF:

\$0.00 (+ tax) - coach, team medical, team leader (no meals will be provided for support staff)

OFFICIALS: \$0.00

LAST CHANCE registrations will be accepted until June 13th, 2025 at 16:59 ET. After June 6th, 2025 (16:59 ET), but prior to June 13th, 2025 (16:59 ET):













U23 / SENIOR / GRECO (o	ne event):
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\$350 (+ tax) – Women or Men's Freestyle or Men's Greco-Roman (one event)

U23 and JUNIOR/SENIOR:

\$430 (+ tax) – U23 Women + Senior Women OR U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Men's Freestyle OR U23 Men's Freestyle + Junior/Senior Greco-Roman (two events)

REGISTRATION **DEADLINE & ENTRY FEES**

U23 / SENIOR / GRECO (three events):

\$510 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Men's Freestyle + Junior Greco-Roman \$510 (+ tax) – U23 Men's Freestyle + Senior Men's Freestyle + Senior Greco-Roman

SUPPORT STAFF:

\$150 (+ tax) – coach, team medical, team leader (no meals will be provided)

OFFICIALS: \$0.00

No registrations will be accepted after June 13th, 2025 at 16:59 ET. This applies to all athletes and support staff and officials.

SCRATCHES & INJURY WITHDRAWALS

- All scratches & injury withdrawals before June 13th, 2025 (16:59 EDT) will be fully refundable by WCL.
- All injury withdrawals after June 13th, 2025 (16:59 EDT) may be eligible for refund with the purchase of Interpodia's Refund Protect coverage through the registration process, provided all Interpodia's terms and conditions are met. Supporting medical documentation may be requested by Interpodia.
- All injury withdrawals after June 13th, 2025 (16:59 EDT) are **not refundable** if Interpodia's Refund Protect coverage was not purchased through the registration process.
- All scratches after June 13th, 2025 (16:59 ET) are **not refundable**.

Four Points by Sheraton St Catharine's Niagara Suites

3530 Schmon Pkwy Thorold, ON, L2V 4Y6 Phone: 905-984-8484

HOST HOTEL

https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/iagfp-four-points-st-catharines-niagara-suites/overview/

GROUP RATE DETAILS (Standard Room):

Standard room rates of \$249 + tax per night (minimum length of stay of 3 nights) plus 3% DMP (Destination Marketing Program), available until May 14, 2025.













HOST HOTEL	Standard room rates of \$279 + tax per night (minimum length of stay of 2 nights) plus 3% DMP (Destination Marketing Program), available until May 29, 2025. After the deadlines above, room occupancy and rates are subject to availability. Rates do not include complimentary breakfast. RESERVATION LINKS: Minimum 3 Nights Stay: https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1734638132498&key=GRP&guestreslink2=true&app=resvlink Minimum 2 Nights Stay:
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SCHEDULE (subject to change)				
THURSDAY June 26 th , 2025	All Day	Arrival of Teams		
	7:00 – 22:00 Canada Games Park	Practice time (certified coaches must be in attendance) Contact: dcollie@brocku.ca		
	16:00 – 18:00 Canada Games Park	Accreditation		
	18:00 – 19:00 Canada Games Park Upstairs Meeting Rm 4	Coaches' Technical Meeting: - Tournament information include field of play access and flow - Scratches and final weight class changes (U23s) - Draw		
FRIDAY June 27 th , 2025	7:30 – 8:30 Host Hotel	MEDICALS & WEIGH-INS U23s (scratch weight) - athletes that fail to make weight at weigh-ins will be withdrawn from the event.		
	7:00 – 22:00 Canada Games Park	Practice time (certified coaches must be in attendance) Contact: dcollie@brocku.ca		
	10:00 – 16:00 Canada Games Park	U23 QUALIFICATION SESSIONS LUNCH BREAK (noon to 13:00) 5-6 place matches 3-4 place matches		
	16:00 – 16:45 Canada Games Park	DINNER BREAK		













FRIDAY June 27 th , 2025	16:45 – 17:00 Canada Games Park	U23 CEREMONIES March-in for finalists Hall of Fame Ceremony
	17:00 – 19:00 Canada Games Park	U23 FINALS Gold medal matches (2 mats) Awards Ceremonies
	Following award ceremonies Canada Games Park	U23 TRUE SECOND RANKING MATCHES
	Following U23 True Second Ranking Matches Canada Games Park	Coaches' Technical Meeting: - Scratches and final weight class changes (Senior WW + FS) - Scratches and final weight class changes (Junior + Senior GR) - Draw
SATURDAY June 28th, 2025	7:30 – 8:30 Host Hotel	MEDICALS & WEIGH-INS Senior WW + FS (scratch weight) Junior + Senior GR (scratch weight) Athletes that fail to make weight at weigh-ins will be withdrawn from the event.
	10:00 – 13:00 Canada Games Park	SENIOR WW + FS SESSION LUNCH BREAK (noon to 13:00) Wrestle to completion True Second Ranking Matches following completion of finals
	13:00 – 16:00 (subject to earlier start) Canada Games Park	U20-JUNIOR & SENIOR GRECO-ROMAN SESSION Wrestle to completion
	All Day	Team Departures to airport













SUNDAY All Day Team Departures to airport June 29th, 2025













APPENDIX A - COACH EXEMPTION PROCESS

Please submit a request for a coach exemption via google form no later than June 13th, 2025 (last chance registration deadline). LINK: https://8hgngy72pbm.typeform.com/to/Sj26p1tQ

All requests will be reviewed and considered on a case-by-case basis by WCL's Coach Education & Development Advisory Committee (CEDAC).

Please note that submitting a request does not imply that it will be approved.

COACH PRE-REQUISITES:

All coach pre-requisites and requirements for Competition Development can be found here: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1mEabs5jtw0b0r_8Pn3veuyc7VL1k98C-LglboAcuZ_Y/edit?usp=sharing













APPENDIX B - SEEDING CRITERIA

2025 U23 Canadian Championship Seeding Criteria

The High Performance Director (HPD) will perform the seeding for the U23 Canadian Wrestling Championships and present the seeding nominations to the coaches on a weight class by weight class basis according to the seeding criteria outlined below. Coaches will have an opportunity to identify any athletes(s) who meet the seeding criteria that may have been omitted.

Seeds are assigned 1 through 4 on a position-by-position basis.

- Minimum of two (2), a maximum of four (4) seeds per weight class
- Coaches cannot withdraw their athletes from seeding
- Criteria are weight class specific (unless otherwise noted)
- Criteria rankings include placement following the competition of any wrestle-offs and true second matches

Criteria, in ranking order:

- 1. Current (2025) Senior Canadian Champion
- Returning U23 Canadian Championship winner
- 3. Returning U23 Canadian Championship winner at a different weight class
 - a. If there are two (2) such winners, the highest seed shall be awarded to the winner of the most recent bout between the two (2) athletes at point in the last rolling 12 months. If the athletes have not met, performance criteria will be used to determine which of the two athletes will be given the higher seed.
- 4. Returning second (2nd) place ranking in the same weight class from the 2024 U23 Canadian Championships
- 5. Returning second (2nd) place ranking from a different weight class at the 2024 U23 Canadian Championships

If athletes are still tied after the above criteria, the following will be used to break the tie:

- Head-to-head matches from the 2024 U23 Canadian Championships and/or most recent Domestic Carding Tournament(s)
- Higher International Performance Index (from the past rolling 12 months)
- A random draw will occur













2025 Senior Non-Olympic Weight Class Team Trials Seeding Criteria

The High Performance Director (HPD) will perform the seeding for the Senior Non-Olympic Weight Class Team Trials and present the seeding nominations to the coaches on a weight class by weight class basis according to the seeding criteria outlined below. Coaches will have an opportunity to identify any athletes(s) who meet the seeding criteria that may have been omitted.

Seeds are assigned 1 through 4 on a position-by-position basis.

- Minimum of two (2), a maximum of four (4) seeds per weight class
- Coaches cannot withdraw their athletes from seeding
- Criteria are weight class specific (unless otherwise noted)
- Criteria rankings include placement following the competition of any wrestle-offs and true second matches

Criteria, in ranking order:

- 1. 2024 Senior World Team Member (non-Olympic weight class specific)
- 2. 2025 Senior Canadian Champion Olympic Weight Class (within one weight class)
- 3. 2025 Senior Canadian Championship Olympic Weight Class True Second Ranking (within one weight class)
- 4. 2025 Senior Canadian Champion (non-Olympic weight class specific)

If athletes are still tied after the above criteria, the following will be used to break the tie:

- Most recent head-to-head matches (no earlier than the 2024 SFU tournament)
- Higher International Performance Index (from 2025)
- A random draw will occur

2025 Senior & U20-Junior Greco-Roman Championships Seeding Criteria

There will be no seeding for the Senior and U20-Junior Greco-Roman Championships.













APPENDIX C - TRUE SECOND RANKING MATCHES (WOMEN & MEN'S FREESTYLE ONLY)

- Round robin results stand (no true second ranking matches).
- The second ranked athlete in each weight class, style and age category will have a final ranking of 2nd place, unless they have not wrestled against the third ranked athlete during the respective Championships or Trials. In that case, a one match true second wrestle-off will be held between the second and third ranked athletes. The winner of the match will be ranked 2nd for carding and team selection purposes.
- True second ranking matches will take place at the end of the competition (same day).
- True second ranking matches are a continuation of the Championships and Trials; if an athlete is injured, they forfeit.





