



EVENT HOSTING REGULATIONS: CANADIAN TEAM TRIALS

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1 – INTRODUCTION

The Event Hosting Regulations (“Regulations”) is the document that governs the way the Canadian Team Trials (or “Trials”) are run, under the sanction of Wrestling Canada Lutte (“WCL”). The event is held once every four years in the Senior age group to select the designated Canadian wrestlers to qualify for participation at the Olympic Games in Women’s Wrestling (WW) and Men’s Freestyle (FS).

Through the Bidding Process, WCL selects a Host Organizing Committee (“HOC”) to plan, organize and host the Trials every four years. The HOC is responsible to WCL for delivering the Trials and ensuring the safety of all participants and volunteers. WCL will assist the HOC by providing oversight and input during the planning and preparation prior to the event as well as carrying out all the necessary controls to ensure compliance with the Regulations and rules of wrestling during the event.

These Regulations are obligatory for the Trials. Any HOC that wishes to depart from these Regulations in whatever way, must obtain written approval from WCL in advance. If there is any conflict, disagreement or misperception between these Regulations and any other WCL Policy, WCL’s decision on the issue will prevail.

Please note that these Regulations are subject to change to respond to any government (Federal, Provincial or Municipal) or Public Health Agency requirements, restrictions or approvals.

2 – BIDDING PROCESS

Any HOC can submit a bid to organize the Trials. Bids are selected on a periodic basis through issuance of a Request for Proposal, based on the requirements in the present Regulations.

The Trials are awarded to an HOC following an assessment of the bid application received by WCL’s Events & Hosting Advisory Committee and ratified by WCL’s Board of Directors.

3 – CANADIAN TEAM TRIAL OBJECTIVES

The Trials are held every 4 years to achieve the following outcomes:

- Select the designated Canadian wrestlers to qualify for participation at the Olympic Games in FS-WW. This level of competition aligns with the “Train to Win” stage of WCL’s Long-Term Development framework.
- Ensure the highest quality presentation of the sport of wrestling for spectators and fans.
- Promote the sport of wrestling at the national level. Participation and development of athletes is not a priority.
- The competition will be held according to the most recent edition of the WCL Rulebook.

4 – WCL RESPONSIBILITIES

WCL has the following responsibilities for the Trials:

1. Ensure the Trials Regulations are followed and respected during the competition.
2. Ensure that all Official Languages requirements are followed and respected during the competition (please refer to Appendix A).

3. Provide technical and general event oversight to the HOC.
4. Arrange and cover the costs of the following:
 - a) Accommodations and all airport and / or ground transportation to and from the host city for WCL staff and CAWO Officials (2 Head Officials, 1 Pairing Master (PM), 8 designated on-mat Officials).
 - b) All “Officials Honoraria” (\$250 per person for the event) for the 11 assigned CAWO Officials.
5. Provide the HOC and its volunteers with standardized event apparel (t-shirt / golf shirt / jacket), up to \$2,000.
6. Provide the necessary IT Requirements to facilitate the operation of the tournament draw, score display, video review and streaming for the event, per WCL’s Event IT Regulations (<https://wrestling.ca/policy-manual/>).
7. Provide, arrange and cover all costs for the WCL photographer and webstream commentator(s) for the Trials.
8. Provide the HOC with the HOC fee allocation as outlined in the Financial Conditions section.
9. Develop and publish the Trials Technical Package.
10. Ensure that participants have completed WCL safe sport training and screening requirements, including consents and waivers through the online registration system. Participants under the age of majority in their province will require agreement by the participant’s parents or legal guardian, as applicable.

5 – CAWO RESPONSIBILITIES

The Canadian Association of Wrestling Officials (“CAWO”) is responsible for assigning eleven (11) technical officials for the Trials, including 2 Head Officials, 1 Pairing Master and 8 on-mat Officials.

6 – PTSO RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Review and approve all PTSO participants and ensure they are in good standing with the PTSO.
2. Ensure that all PTSO participants have sport accident and injury coverage through the PTSO.

7 – HOST ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (HOC) RESPONSIBILITIES

The HOC is the group or club that has bid, been awarded and accepted the right to host these Trials for the designated year.

The HOC will be led by a Tournament Convenor/Chair, who is responsible for being the key contact with WCL. In addition to the Tournament Convenor /Chair, the HOC will identify one key person responsible for the following functions:

- Technical (Venue / Security / Weigh-ins / Medical)
- Financial (Grants / Tickets / Budgets / Financial Reporting)
- Hospitality (Accommodation / Food Service / Volunteers)
- Protocol (Advertising / Media / Sponsorship / Grants / Tickets / Ceremonies / Signage / Announcers / Bilingual Services)
- Transportation (WCL Staff / VIPs / Officials / PMs)

The HOC has the following key responsibilities:

1. Ensure all the requirements of these Regulations are followed and applied.
2. Support WCL in ensuring the Trials Regulations are followed and respected during the competition.
3. Comply with all federal, provincial, and municipal government and Public Health Agency requirements, regulations, rules and directives.
4. Ensure the safety of all participants, volunteers and others, and to keep order in the competition venue and related competition / training areas.
5. Provide and cover all requirements and costs associated with the Trials Regulations (excluding those costs covered by WCL as noted above or specified elsewhere),

During the event, HOC members should be easily identifiable by wearing standardized event apparel (t-shirt / golf shirt / jacket), which is supplied by WCL

8 – TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

Competition Days

The event takes place between Thursday* to Saturday*, with the actual competition being held over two days, as follows:

- Thursday: Team arrivals, Set-up & Technical Meeting.
- Friday: Women & Men's Freestyle pool qualification matches.
- Saturday: Women & Men's Freestyle ladder matches.
- Sunday: team departures

** Note: Some participants may arrive Wednesday.*

Competition Format

The competition format will consist of:

- UWW Olympic weight categories (senior age)
- Same day weigh-ins (all athletes will weigh-in the morning of the day(s) they are competing).
- Draws will be completed at the Technical Meeting.
- WCL pool and ladder competition format (details forthcoming)

Competition Venue

The competition venue must:

- Meet the WCL "Field of Play" standards (as outlined below);
 - Be available 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM for the following days:
 - One day (minimum) before the competition for set-up;
 - Friday and Saturday for the competition; and
 - After the competition on Saturday or Sunday for take-down.
- Be able to seat 500 spectators with an ambient temperature between 18° and 22°C;
- A designated athlete and team support staff seating area with a view of the mats, separate from spectator seating;
- Provide the following (on each competition day):

- Change rooms for athletes with accessible shower options:
 - Male-designated change room (minimum of 5 showers) that includes private spaces for individuals who prefer or need additional privacy.
 - Female-designated change room (minimum of 5 showers) that includes private spaces for individuals who prefer or need additional privacy.
 - All-gender / private change room (with at least one accessible shower and private changing areas). This is a welcoming space for anyone who prefers it. This change room should be wheelchair accessible and provide universal design features to accommodate all abilities.
- Separate change rooms for officials (male-designated, female-designated and all-gender/private);
- Lockable meeting room for officials, separate from the field of play. The meeting room needs to have capacity for 11 officials and have a large display screen (minimum of 127-cm) with capability to be connected to a computer / tablet (Head Official to hold the key).

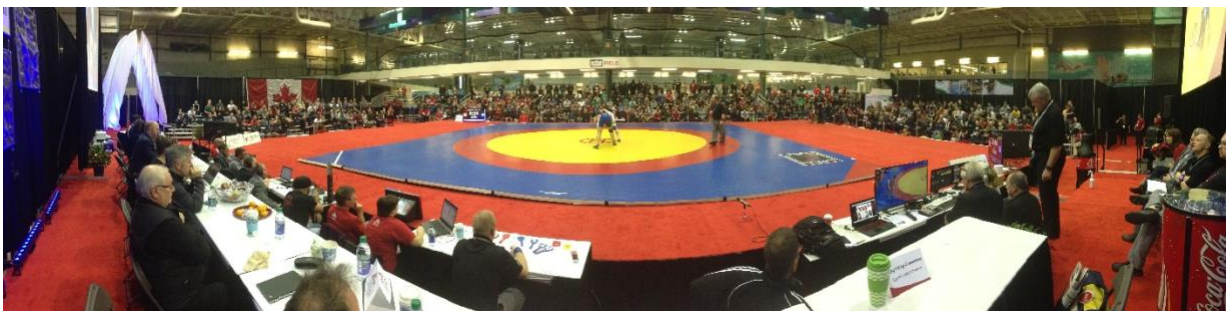
Field of Play (FOP)

Mats and around Mats

- A minimum area of 35 -metres X 24.5-metres holding two WCL Competition Wrestling Mats (refer to WCL's Mat Regulation Policy <https://wrestling.ca/policy-manual/>) with spectator seating along two sides and accredited participants along one end of the mat.
- Pool portion of the competition will be held on two mats. Ladder portion of the competition will be held on one mat.
- Mats will be on a solid secure surface or elevated platform, as recommended by the mat manufacturer.
- The HOC will be responsible to wash the mats with a 10% bleach solution at the start and between rounds / sessions. The HOC will also be responsible to have volunteers at each mat to clean mats (blood, etc.) during matches.

Area Around the Mats

- There will be a minimum of at least 1-metre between each wrestling mat covered by either carpet or padded mats and a minimum of 5-metres width of carpet and a solid security fence (metal / plastic) surrounding the perimeter of the FOP.
- Across the mats and opposite the spectator area and behind the elevated Head Table will be a curtained backdrop (35-metres X 2.5-metres). Option to include same along one or both ends to create a theatre atmosphere).



Security

The venue must be laid out in such a way as to separate the FOP from the rest of the venue, while maintaining the spectators' views.

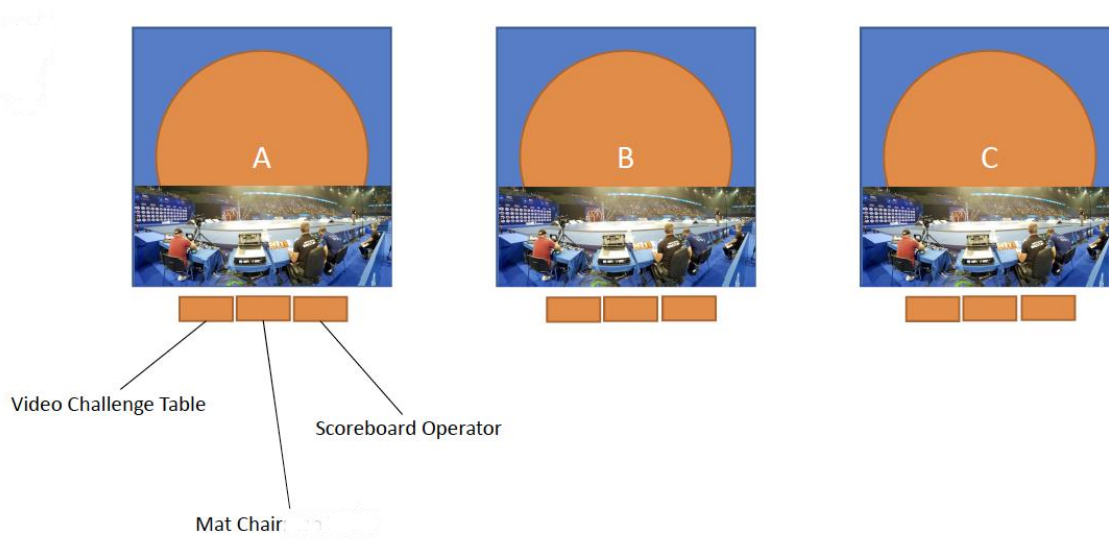
Provision must be made by the HOC for a combination of paid security personnel and volunteers, as well as security barriers (metal / plastic) to ensure that all spectators and non-competing accredited personnel are kept a minimum of five 5-metres away from the FOP.

Provision must be made by the HOC to ensure that the FOP is secured to appropriately accredited individuals. This includes mat surfaces, officials' tables, the head table, announcer's table and pairing area. Non-authorized individuals will not have access to the FOP and surrounding area.

The warm-up area should be similarly secured to appropriately accredited individuals.

Competition Equipment & Accessories

The HOC will provide the following for each mat:



Mat Chair Side:

- One skirted table (80-centimetres x 2-metres) or a combination of tables placed a minimum of 1-metre from the edge of the mat, with three to five chairs (mat chair, scorer, video challenge & mat maintenance).
 - One set of official scoring paddles (consisting of four red paddles marked "1-2-4-5", four blue paddles marked "1-2-4-5", one white paddle, one red paddle and one blue paddle).
 - One set of caution indicators.
 - A "red" Challenge Cube, a "blue" Challenge Cube and a soft white "STOP" device (used by the mat chair for stopping the match).
 - A supply of pencils.
- One (1) LED video scoreboard (minimum of 127-centimetres) on view to the public
- A skirted table (80-centimetres X 2-metres) or a combination of tables to house IT equipment. Please refer to WCL's Event IT Regulations (<https://wrestling.ca/policy-manual/>) for all the detailed requirements including cables and power connections.
- It is highly desirable to have capabilities for video challenges to be replayed on a large public facing video scoreboard.

Judge Side:

- One skirted table (80-centimetres x 1-metre) with one chair (judge) on opposite side of the mat, placed a minimum of 1-metre from the edge of the mat.
 - One sets of official scoring paddles (each set consisting of four red paddles marked “1-2-4-5”, four blue paddles marked “1-2-4-5”, one white paddle, one red paddle and one blue paddle).
 - A supply of pencils.
- One (1) LED video scoreboard (minimum of 90-centimetres) on view to officials and competitors.
- Two (2) chairs for coaches at each corner of the mat, separated by 1.5-metres.
- Two (2) coach boxes (eg. coroplast partition) per corner. The primary coach will be seated behind a coach box closest to the mat and the secondary coach (or team medical) will be seated in the coach box behind the primary coach.

Head Table

A centrally located raised (0.5-metre to 1-metre) platform (minimum of 2.5-metres x 10-metres) for members of WCL, HOC, PM, and special guests. The platform will be behind the mats and opposite the spectators. The platform will have skirted tables and seating for up to 15 people, with appropriate stairs and back drop draping (2.5-metres high pipe & drape) behind the platform.

Operations Table

A secondary skirted table (at floor level), and adjacent to the Head Table with seating to accommodate up to 10 overflow staff and event support personnel (eg. extra PMs, photographers / videographers, announcers, etc.).

Coaches' Seating

A designated coaches seating area in close proximity to the FOP and in view of the mats, capable of seating up to 20 coaches.

Officials' Seating

A designated officials seating area(s), separate from the mats (5- to 10-metres), capable of seating up to 10 officials.

Presentation Area

A presentation area located in close proximity to the spectator viewing area (to allow space and a reasonable vantage point for those taking pictures of the presentations). The presentation area will have the standard WCL branding signage, with back drop draping (2.5-metre high pipe & drape) behind, and surrounded with one (1) Canadian Flag, one (1) provincial flag of the host and at least one (1) WCL Trials screen (2-metres X 2-metres) banner or three (3) WCL pull-up banners.

Pairing Area

The PM will use the WCL provided tournament draw software to generate the draws and score sheets. The PM is responsible for providing their own laptop and having the tournament software already installed.

The PM will be located at the head table to permit observation of the mats and the tournament progression. The HOC must provide the PM with all the office equipment (1 high speed printer plus a

backup and necessary internet connection) and stationery (printer cartridges, paper, pens & pencils) as well as connections (power & cables) to establish the pairings, results and all other necessary information.

To promote environmental sustainability, bout sheets and draws will not be printed for coaches / teams, however smaller amounts of printing and paper are still required.

Wall charts should be displayed in both the warm-up area for athletes/coaches and include a QR code or link to allow participants access to the draws on their mobile devices. Spectators can also access the draws live on their mobile devices.

Training Venue

Starting on the day prior to competition and each of competition, the HOC will provide access to training at the venue. The training venue will:

- Be available from 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM (remember to allow for ample time to set up and tear down this area).
- Have a minimum of 144 m² of clean practice wrestling mats (refer to Mat Regulations Policy - <https://wrestling.ca/policy-manual/>).
- Be separate and distinct from the warm-up/corral area for the competition.
- Clubs may request the facility be reserved for semi-exclusive (one mat equivalent) use up to 50 minutes per club, as long as they make a reservation with the HOC, a minimum of three weeks prior to the start of the Championships, and the total reserved use does not exceed 25% of the total availability of the training venue. Large groups may also request the HOC to locate additional locations (on a best effort basis), however any and all costs associated with this will be covered by the group requesting.
- Coaches, with proper certification, are required to accompany and supervise athletes at all times while they are in the training venue.
- A calibrated electronic scale (check scale) is to be accessible to the athletes (the HOC has the option to have these at the host hotel) at least 24 hours prior to weigh-ins and throughout the Trials. Scales must be on a solid surface or have a wooden platform underneath.
- Appropriate workout facilities, including sauna and cardio equipment (the HOC has the option to have these at the venue, host hotel, or another external site).

Warm-Up Area & Corral

The warm-up area will be available on all competition days (starting 90 minutes before the start of the competition and available until 15 minutes after the conclusion of competition). The warm-up is to be a secured area (accredited access), and include a minimum of 144 m² of clean practice wrestling mats (refer to Mat Regulation Policy – <https://wrestling.ca/policy-manual/>), separate from the FOP (but within 50-metres of the FOP) and the training venue. Live action must be displayed for each mat in the warm-up area / corral, via the internet using a tablet, laptop or smart TV display, to keep athletes and coaches updated on match progression.

Access to the FOP is only available through the corral, a separate area adjacent to the warm-up area for athletes and 2 coaches/team medical (maximum 2 people) on deck for competition:

- Athletes and their coaches/team medical (maximum 2 people) will be escorted to the FOP in their competition singlets (straps up & ready to compete) by HOC volunteers, just prior to their match.

- Following the conclusion of the match, the athlete and their coach / medical team will exit the FOP through the designated exit. The coach / team medical may either exit the FOP with their athlete and return to the corral or alternatively remain in the FOP area to escort a new athlete for an upcoming match.

Medical Area

On each day of the competition, starting 60 minutes prior to the start of the competition and for 15 minutes after, the HOC will arrange and pay for the following:

- Medical service (minimum of three (3) certified members of the CATA or CPA/SPD and one (1) physician (CASEM requirement or ER doc) on site throughout the tournament) will be made available to the accredited athletes. If medical attention is required for other accredited individuals, they will be serviced as a secondary priority to athletes.
- Medical area should be immediately adjacent to the FOP and have a minimum of one medical table.
- A private room for medical intervention in the venue.
- First aid personnel and a first aid room to provide care for spectators in the venue, with all the equipment necessary for first aid (including a defibrillator), as prescribed by local health regulations.
- Please refer to WCL's Event Medical Regulations (<https://policy-manual/>) for all detailed requirements.

Doping Control

Sport Integrity Canada in conjunction with WCL will conduct doping control at the Trials. The HOC will assist WCL and Sport Integrity Canada by providing the following for each competition day:

- A secure separate room large enough to seat 12 people with a segregated toilet stall (each large enough to allow for two people in the stall at a time) and a lockable fridge for storage.
- A supervisor and one "chaperone" (responsible mature volunteer of the same gender identity) per athlete per day to be tested.
- Sealed drinks – water, mineral water &/or soft drinks (non-alcoholic beverages) – if possible cold and at room temperature (if not, only the latter).
- Various supplies including clipboards, pens, stapler, paper, garbage bags, paper towels, disinfectant, table and chairs.

Mixed Zone / Dedicated Media Area

An area will be set up immediately adjacent to the FOP, or another designated space near the FOP where the athletes exit, to allow accredited media access to athletes as they exit. This area will be exclusive to accredited media, athletes, coaches, team leaders, HOC and WCL personnel.

Medical Examination & Weigh-In

The statutory medical examination and weigh-in of the wrestlers shall be carried out in the host hotel on Friday and Saturday mornings (~7:00 AM – 8:00 AM). The medical and weigh-in area must be in a secured (accredited access only) area and be a minimum of 10-metres x 12-metres with separate entrance and exit doors. The HOC will provide:

- Sufficient medical personnel (including at least one physician) so that the medical control can be carried out efficiently. A private room available for use by the medical team, if required.

- Permanent markers for medical personnel to mark those athletes who have cleared medical control.
- Four (4) electronic scales for weigh-ins. The scales are to have been recently calibrated and must display in kilograms. Scales must be on a solid surface or have a wooden platform underneath.
- A large digital clock (visible within the room) to display the weigh-in countdown.
- A calibrated electronic scale (check scale) is to be accessible to the athletes at the host hotel and/or training venue at least 24 hours prior to weigh-ins and throughout the Trials. Scales must be on a solid surface or have a wooden platform underneath.
- Weight class signage for scales.
- Pencils / pens for referees to mark completed weigh-ins.

Technical Meeting / Referees Clinic

The HOC will provide the following meeting spaces throughout the Championships:

- The Technical Meeting for all accredited coaches and team leaders will be held at the host hotel on Thursday evening (~7:00 – 8:00 PM).
- The Referees' Clinic will be held at the host hotel on Thursday evening (~5:00 – 7:00 PM).

Please refer to the Accommodations & Hospitality section below for the meeting room requirements.

9 – ACCOMMODATIONS & HOSPITALITY

The host hotel must provide for a minimum of 175 hotel rooms on peak nights for accredited athletes, coaches, officials, pairing masters, team leaders, medical staff, WCL staff and VIPs.

Facilities

The host hotel(s) must:

- Be able to supply good quality climate-controlled accommodations, with elevator access and private bathrooms.
- Provide restaurant service from 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM on the day prior to and each day of the competition.
- Have a calibrated electronic scale (check scale) accessible to the athletes at least 24 hours prior to weigh-ins.
- Have appropriate work-out facilities, including sauna and cardio equipment (the HOC has the option to have these at the venue, host hotel or another external site).

Meeting Rooms

The HOC will arrange and cover the costs of the following at the host hotel:

- A large (minimum of 10-metres x 12-metres with separate entrance and exit doors) room on Friday, and Saturday (~7:00 AM – 8:00 AM) for the medical examination and weigh-in.
- An accreditation area (minimum of 5-metres x 5-metres with tables and 4 chairs) at the host hotel on the day prior to competition (4:00 PM– 6:00 PM).
- A meeting room (theatre style with head table & podium) for a minimum of 50 accredited coaches & other personnel to host the technical meeting on Thursday (~7:00 PM to 8:00 PM). The room will be equipped with a minimum 127 -centimetre display screen (LED TV or LCD projector with connections).

- A meeting room (theatre style with head table & podium) for 10 accredited officials to host the officials' meeting on Thursday (5:00 PM to 7:00 PM). The room will be equipped with a computer and a minimum 127-centimetre display screen (LED TV or LCD projector with connections).

Meals

- The HOC is responsible to provide a healthy and nutritious lunch and dinner each day of the competition, at the competition venue, to all accredited officials, pairing master, event medical, VIPs, and WCL staff.
- Athletes and all team support personnel including coaches, team leaders and team medical are responsible for their own meals.

Food & Beverage

- The HOC must provide information on nearby and on-site food & beverage options no later than 2 months from the start of the event.
- To generate revenue, the HOC may opt to provide on-site food and beverage to visitors attending the event, at its sole expense. All revenues would be retained by the HOC.

10 – TRANSPORTATION

The HOC is responsible (and only if confirmed, with specific travel details, a minimum of 18 calendar days prior to first day of the competition) for the following transportation costs:

- Ground transportation for WCL staff and VIPs between host airport, host hotel and competition venue.
- Ground transportation for CAWO officials between host airport, host hotel and competition venue.
- All other participants (athletes, coaches, team leaders, team medical) are responsible for their own transportation.

11 – PROTOCOL

Accreditation & Registration

All accreditation and registrations are completed by WCL. WCL will prepare, print and provide accreditation badges and lanyards for all accredited individuals.

All athletes and support staff, including coaches, officials, pairing masters, team leaders, medical staff, WCL staff and volunteers will be required to register for the event, by the deadline established by WCL, and pay any fees applicable for the event (as established by WCL) directly to WCL.

WCL will provide the HOC with a final provisional list of all approved athletes and support staff, including coaches, officials, pairing masters, team leaders, medical staff, WCL staff and VIP and other accredited personnel a minimum of 14 calendar days prior to the first day of competition.

The HOC will provide WCL, a list of all volunteers and VIPs (invited guests) to WCL, a minimum of 14 days prior to the first day of the competition, to enable WCL to prepare accreditation badges.

The HOC will arrange and provide volunteers (minimum 1) and a space at the host hotel to enable registered and accredited participants to pick up their accreditation on the day prior to competition (~4:00 PM - 6:00 PM). WCL will have at least one (1) WCL staff on hand.

Signage

WCL will supply the HOC with the digital signage specification (WCL branding requirements & any necessary print files) at least 6 months prior to the competition. The HOC will be responsible to acquire and pay for the following signage:

- Surrounding the WCL Platform:
 - Canadian Flag.
 - Flags for all provinces and territories.
 - WCL Trials banners (76-centimetre x 2-metre pull-up).
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 - HOC /Club Banners (76-centimetre x 2-metre pull-up).
- Each mat will have the following signage:
 - Name/Number of the Mat (Mat A, Mat B, etc.) (30-centimetres x 1-centimetre “coroplast” trifold).
 - WCL (1-metre x 1-metre “coroplast” trifold).
 - Sport Canada (1-metre x 1-metre “coroplast” trifold).
 - PTSO (1-metre x 1-metre “coroplast” trifold).
 - HOC (1-metre x 1-metre “coroplast” trifold).
 - CAWO (1-metre x 1-metre “coroplast” trifold).
 - WCL Sponsor (1-metre x 1-metre “coroplast” trifold) – to be advised by WCL 60 days prior.
 - HOC sponsors as determined by the HOC (1-metre x 1-metre “coroplast” trifold).
 - Four (4) coach boxes (open three-sided coroplast box ~1-metre high, 1-metre each of the three sides)
- At each public/spectator access entrance to the venue:
 - WCL Trials banners (76-centimetre x 2-metre pull-up).
 - “Notification of Photography” signs.
 - “Safe Sport Environment” signs.
- At the mixed zone area:
 - WCL Trials banner as the backdrop (or 3-metre x 2-metre pull-up)
- At the presentation area (items can be relocated from WCL platform for ceremonies):
 - One (1) Canadian flag and one (1) Provincial flag of the Host Province.
 - WCL Trials banner as the backdrop (or three (3) 76-centimetre x 2-metre WCL pull-ups).

WCL is free to display additional other signage throughout the competition area. WCL will be responsible for any costs associated with such signage.

Note: As an alternative to the coroplast trifolds, the HOC can provide a similar digital display with the approval of WCL.

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

Prior to the start of wrestling each day, the announcers will conduct an acceptable land acknowledgment (as approved by WCL and a local indigenous Elder).

Trials Ceremonies

An official Trials Ceremony will be held prior to the finals' session, on Saturday evening. Representation from WCL, PTSO and the HOC will be invited to address the participants. At the discretion of WCL and the HOC, additional ceremonies (eg. WCL Hall of Fame) may be planned and held to award and recognize special distinctions to individuals whom WCL and or the HOC wishes to honour.

Finals Session

The standard protocol for "Finals" session on Saturday will include:

- March out of the finalists (must be arranged prior to start of finals).
- National anthem must be played or sung (bilingual or instrumental).
- Introduction of all finalists in singlet colours (walk across mat and shake hands).
- Wrestling will be conducted on 1 mat.
- Lowest weight class to highest weight class (light to heavy), alternating between women and men, for every round (as necessary).
- Presentation of winners will occur at the conclusion of the competition.

Presentations

Trials winner presentations will occur in the presentation area located in close proximity to the spectator viewing area. Medals will not be awarded, however, WCL will recognize the Trials winners at the event. All ceremonies will be conducted in both English and French.

The designated event photographer will be responsible to photograph all the Trials winners and provide digital copies to WCL for their use in promoting and marketing the sport. WCL will have all accredited individuals sign a "Photographer Waiver" as part of the accreditation application. The HOC will notify spectators through appropriate signage at the entrances to the venue, that photographs are being taken.

Announcers

The HOC will be responsible for providing personnel to perform the functions in both English and French.

VIPs (Invited Guests & Dignitaries)

Accreditation for all VIPs will be provided by WCL. The HOC is responsible for providing a VIP area in the spectator area.

12 – MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

Media

All media accreditations will be handled by WCL:

- All persons wishing to receive media accreditation to the Trials will be required to present their media credentials to WCL's Marketing & Communications Manager, no later than 14 days prior to the start of the event. WCL has the right to deny anyone media credentials in their sole discretion.

- Media accreditation is not to be used for club video analysis or spectating parents. Clubs wishing to video matches for the purpose of performance analysis can do so from the stands or by one of the accredited members of the team in the corner.
- Access to the field of play will be granted to the media at the Marketing & Communication Manager's discretion provided it does not interfere with the tournament's progression.
- A mixed zone will be set up outside the field of play for those wishing to interview athletes and coaches.

WCL's Marketing & Communications Manager will liaise with the local media relations person identified by the HOC. The HOC must do their best to ensure maximum local media coverage.

Webstreaming

Webstreaming will be the responsibility of WCL and WCL's service provider(s) and supported by the HOC (please refer to WCL's Event IT Regulations (<https://wrestling.ca/policy-manual/>) for all the detailed requirements including cables, internet and power connections).

Photography

WCL will provide, arrange and cover all costs for a professional photographer for the Trials (WCL & HOC will jointly retain owner rights for the photographs).

The HOC can also arrange for HOC photographers at the HOC's expense.

Merchandise & Sales

The HOC will supply a space (minimum of 5-metres X 10-metres) and six (6) tables (80-centimetres X 2-metre) to WCL (and / or its agent) in proximity to spectators and participants for the sale of WCL apparel and merchandise. The HOC will provide two (2) volunteers to assist with merchandise sales. WCL will supply all merchandise and remaining personnel to operate and cover all costs. The HOC will not receive any compensation from the sale of such merchandise.

The HOC is permitted to sell other non-WCL merchandise and non-apparel merchandise on site to spectators and participants. All such merchandise and apparel must be pre-approved by WCL. All such costs and personal (including external third parties) will be covered by the HOC. WCL will not receive any compensation from the sale of such merchandise.

WCL will supply the HOC and its volunteers, at no cost to the HOC, with standardized event apparel (t-shirt / golf shirt / jacket), up to \$2,000.

Marketing & Sponsorship

The HOC will assume responsibility to market the Trials locally, under the following conditions:

- Propose to WCL, for WCL's review, any development and implementation of a marketing and sponsorship & donations plan for the Event.
- Will honour the exclusivity of all WCL sponsors and suppliers that support the Event and will not sell sponsorship in those respective products or service categories. To avoid sponsorship conflicts, the HOC

will seek approval from WCL before communicating with a potential sponsor or execution of any sponsorship agreement. WCL will communicate a preliminary list of WCL sponsors at the time of the bid and a final list a minimum of 90 days prior to the event.

- Make the necessary arrangements with local authorities pertaining to any licenses/permits required, if applicable.
- Display WCL and WCL sponsors' signage and banners as directed by WCL, complying with all WCL sponsorship agreements in effect.
- The HOC will follow federal and provincial regulations affecting sponsorship and ensure sponsorship agreements are in compliance with such regulations.
- Recognize that WCL will determine, in collaboration with the HOC, the appropriateness of a sponsor.
- The HOC will not accept donations, services or sponsorship from tobacco, cannabis and alcohol industry and other entities not aligned with the values of WCL, determined by WCL in its sole discretion.

Tickets & Seating

- The HOC will set the price for tickets for admission to the Event and retain all ticket revenues from the Event.

13 – VOLUNTEERS

The HOC will supply the following volunteers (accreditation will be arranged through WCL):

- One (1) person on the day prior to competition for accreditation (~4:00 PM – 6:00 PM) at the host hotel.
- Two (2) people for ticket sales (starting 60 minutes prior to the competition and until at least halfway through the finals) at the venue on competition days
- Three (3) people to provide crowd control and security access for medical & weigh-ins.
- Two (2) people per mat for operation of score clock.
- Two (2) people per mat for video replay.
- One (1) person per mat for mat maintenance (clean-up and other technical duties).
- Two (2) people per mat to escort athletes and coaches to and from the competition area.
- Two (2) people for merchandise sales.
- A security person at major access points, including the corral and FOP (90 minutes prior and 30 minutes after the competition) within the competition venue. Additional volunteers may be needed to control other public spaces in the venue.
- Sufficient personnel (male and female) to assist with Doping Control.
- Sufficient personnel to deliver food services.

14 – INSURANCE

The HOC will provide WCL with proof of a minimum of \$5 million liability insurance coverage, no later than 30 days from the start of the event, with WCL listed as an additional Party. This insurance policy should include coverage for all participants including: athletes, coaches, officials, medical staff, team managers, staff, volunteers and spectators.

NOTE: All participants are expected to have sport accident and injury coverage through their respective PTSOs.

15 – FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

Fees

The HOC agrees to pay WCL a sanction fee of \$6,500, 30 days in advance of the Trials. The sanction fee is established by WCL, and levied to offset the costs incurred by WCL, associated with all supplies, services and personnel provided by and funded through WCL for these Trials.

WCL establishes and collects all event registration fees for all accredited participants (where applicable). WCL will pay a portion of the entry fees to the HOC in the following amounts:

- \$150 (+ taxes if applicable) per athlete (50% paid at least 14 days prior to the first day of competition and the remaining 50% upon completion and submission of the Event Report by the HOC).

Events of Default & Non-Compliance

- WCL agrees to pay the HOC a fee of up to \$10,000, if WCL fails to substantially meet their obligations or fulfill their required responsibilities.
- The HOC agrees to forfeit the second payment of 50% of the registration fees collected by WCL, if the HOC fails to substantially meet their obligations or fulfill their required responsibilities.

16 – REPORTING

At minimum, WCL will hold monthly check-in meetings with the HOC to review all hosting requirements outlined in these Regulations, starting no later than 6 months out.

The HOC will provide WCL with a Final Event Report within 60 days of the event's conclusion. The final event report will provide a completed and detailed financial report, along with details on number of spectators, number of hotel rooms on a per night basis at each hotel used, transportation requirements, and an assessment of the event.

17 – EXCEPTIONS

Any exceptions to the policy must be approved by the CEO.

APPENDIX A – OFFICIAL LANGUAGES REQUIREMENTS

Through its funding the Government of Canada wishes among other things and, where appropriate, to promote English and French (Canada's Official Languages) and to support the development of Official Languages minority communities. To assist the Government in achieving these objectives in regards to The Trials, the HOC will ensure that:

1. All promotional and event material (programs, posters, press releases, etc.) provided, distributed or authorized to inform the general public, the participants or media prior to, during and after the event is available simultaneously in both of Canada's Official Languages;
2. Temporary signage at all event sites, installed for the duration of the event, is in both of Canada's Official Languages;
3. Written documentation providing event administrative information to the athletes, coaches, technical officials and other delegation members (guides, manuals, schedules, instructions, etc.) is disseminated simultaneously in both of Canada's Official Languages;
4. All information on the event website is made available and updated simultaneously in both of Canada's Official Languages;
5. All information on the event social media platforms is made available and updated simultaneously in both of Canada's Official Languages;
6. All public address announcements related to the event are made consecutively in both of Canada's Official Languages;
7. All security, emergency and medical services, and services provided by or on behalf of the event to the athletes, coaches, technical officials, other delegation members and public are available at all times in both of Canada's Official Languages;
8. Event ceremonies will be staged in a manner that both of Canada's Official Languages communities are included and represented in the development, the production and the use of talents;
9. Any associated activities (ancillary events, cultural festivals, displays, etc.) occurring before, during or after the event and sponsored or promoted as part of the event include presence of both of Canada's Official Languages in the development, the production and the use of talent;
10. If the national anthem is sung, it will be in its bilingual version.