



UWW RANKING SERIES COMPETITION RULES

1. Competition Format

The competitions take place by direct elimination system with an ideal number of wrestlers, i.e. 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, etc. If there is no ideal number of wrestlers in a category, qualification matches will take place.

Pairing is made in the order of the numbers drawn at random. All wrestlers who lost against both finalists will have repechage matches. There are two separated groups of repechage: one group of wrestlers who lost against the first finalist, and another group of wrestlers who lost against the second finalist. The repechage matches begin with wrestlers who lost in the first round including in matches to obtain the ideal number against one of the two finalists up to the losers in the semi-finals by direct elimination. The winners of the two repechage groups will receive each the bronze medal.

Each weight category event lasts one or two days, depending the number of entries. If it is a two days event, the Qualification & Eliminations rounds are organized the first day and repechages and Finals the second day. The draw takes place the day before the beginning of the category concerned. If the one-day format event is used, the draw can be done during the weigh-in, the morning of the competition.

The medical control and the weigh-in will be held the morning of the concerned weight category. If a two days format is used, the qualified athletes for the finals and repechages will be also weigh-in the second morning of the concerned weight category. **No more weight tolerance** will be allowed for this second weigh-in. During a UWW Select Ranking events (Tournaments) organized in one day, no more weight tolerance can be allowed by the Organizer. This Information will be published in the specific Regulations of the concerned event.

If there are less than 6 wrestlers in a weight category, the Nordic round will take place (each wrestler against each wrestler). In that case, the last round will be organized the second day.

If there are 6 or 7 athletes in a weight category, a two pools system will be used (please refer to the Wrestling Rules).

For the UWW Select Ranking Events, each National Federation will be able to enter a maximum of **three wrestlers** per weight category. The organizer can register 5 athletes per weight category and organize a qualification rounds between them in order to have only 3 wrestlers in the final bracket. These two extra wrestlers won't be count in the points' calculation at the end of the Event.

Allocation of points to a Wrestler

Wrestlers will be allocated points according their results at the following competitions:

- Continental Championships
- UWW Select Ranking event
- UWW Senior World Championship & Olympic Games.

The ranking is compiled as follows:

Senior World Championship & Olympic Games	
1 st place	50 points
2 nd place	30 points
3 rd place	15 points
3 rd place*	15 points
5 th place	10 points
5 th place*	10 points
7 th place	08 points
8 th place	06 points
9 th place	04 points
10 th place	02 points



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If the Olympic Games and the Senior World Championships are organized the same year, an increase of 20% of the points will be given to the Olympic Medalists. It means:

1 st place at the Olympic Games	10 additional points
2 nd place at the Olympic Games	06 additional points
3 rd places at the Olympic Games	03 additional points

Continental Championship	
1 st place	12 points
2 nd place	10 points
3 rd place	08 points
3 rd place*	08 points
5 th place	06 points
5 th place*	06 points
7 th place	04 points
8 th place	02 points

UWW Select Ranking Events	
1 st place	08 points
2 nd place	06 points
3 rd place	04 points
3 rd place*	04 points
5 th place	02 points
5 th place*	02 points

**If a weight category only has one bronze medal (by example Nordic System), the athlete ranked in the fourth place will get 12 points in the Senior World Championship or Olympic Games, 7 points in the Continental Championship and 3 points in the UWW Select Ranking Events.*

**If we have only one 5th place in a weight category, the athlete ranked 6th will get 9 points for the Senior World Championship or Olympic Games, 5 points in the Continental Championship and 1 point in the UWW Select Ranking Events.*

The number of participants will also determine additional points in the calculation:

If a weight category counts 10 or less participants, 6 additional points will be given.

If a weight category counts between 11 and 20 participants, 8 additional points will be given.

If a weight category counts more than 20 participants, 10 additional points will be given.

It is also clear that the awarded points go to the athlete, in the category in which he participated. What we mean is that if the athlete changed his weight category between the Continental Championship, the UWW Select Ranking Events and the Olympic Games, World Championship, the points will be awarded to the category in which the athlete competed.

How the ranking will be managed:

In order to have a yearly ranking, we will count the points of the whole year - Ranking Events, Continental Championships and World Championships and/or Olympic Games.

At the end of the year, the ranking will determine the best Athletes of the year. The 1st of January, we will remove all the points EXCEPT the points of the World Championships and /or the Olympic Games. In this way, the new ranking will start with the ranking of the last World Championships and /or the last Olympic Games.



2. Competition

UWW responsibilities

United World Wrestling will create the best possible conditions for staging the UWW Select Ranking Events, covering, among other aspects, the promotion, coordination and administration of the competition, the entry procedure and authorization to take part, the competition system, technical & competition rules, refereeing, control and disciplinary matters, and the exploitation of the commercial rights as defined in the Technical Requirements of the competition.

Duties of the Organizer

The organizer must be an Affiliated National Federation.

On entering the UWW Select Ranking Events the organizers agree:

- to comply with the UWW Rules and Regulations issued
- to respect the principles of fair, compete as defined in the UWW Statutes
- to stage competition with the combination of the three (3), two (2) or one (1) style(s)
- to stage the competition with all ten (10) weight categories for each style in accordance with the present regulations
- to comply with all decisions regarding the competition taken by the UWW Bureau Members, the UWW Headquarter or any other competent body and communicate appropriately
- to observe the UWW Medical and Anti-Doping regulations for all matches in the competition
- to stage all matches in the competition in an arena fulfilling UWW's criteria as set in the Technical Requirements

The organizer must send to United World Wrestling a file containing the regulations and information necessary to the smooth running of the competition. This file will have to reach United World Wrestling at least 12 months before the date set for the competition and include the following documents:

- Invitation letter from the organizing Federation
- General regulations setting the participation conditions and the technical matters (styles, weight categories, awards, etc.)
- Specific information containing the necessary details on the reception of the teams, transport, address of the venue and hotels in which the participants, referees and United World Wrestling officials will be accommodated
- Competition program including the schedule of accreditation, medical control, weigh-in, elimination rounds and finals for each category
- Visa and entry forms.

The organizer is responsible for the behavior of their staff, volunteers, officials, members, supporters and any person carrying out a function at the competition on their behalf.

The organizer is responsible for order and security before, during and after the competition. The organizer may be called to account for incidents of any kind.

In principle, an organizer must stage its competition at one and the same venue. Competition may be organized in a venue within the territory. In principle, venues are approved only if direct international flights and/or charter flights are able to land within an acceptable distance of the venue.

The organizer must stage the relevant competition at the venue in accordance with the instructions of UWW (or of a third party acting on UWW's behalf). However, the organizer is considered solely accountable for all of its obligations in this respect, unless the relevant body or bodies decide(s) otherwise.



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In addition, the organizer shall conclude and maintain insurance coverage for the risks in connection with staging and organizing its competition and which shall include, without limitation, third-party liability insurance (for all third parties participating or attending the relevant event) providing for appropriate guaranteed sums for damages to persons, objects and property, as well as for pure economic losses corresponding to the specific circumstances of the organizer concerned.

If the organizer is not the owner of the relevant stadium in which the competition is staged, then it is also responsible for providing fully comprehensive insurance policies, including, without limitation, third-party liability and property insurance, taken out by the relevant stadium owner and/or tenant.

In any case, the organizer shall ensure that UWW is included in all insurance policies as defined in the present paragraph and shall hold UWW harmless from any and all claims for liability accruing in relation to the staging and organizing of the relevant matches; At any time UWW may request from all involved, in writing and free of charge, releases of liability and/or confirmations or copies of the policies concerned in one of UWW's official languages.

Competition Program

The program will be established in collaboration with United World Wrestling.

3. Purpose of a Ranking System

This ranking system will provide 4 top seeds athletes in each weight category for Olympic Games and the Senior World Championships. This ranking is compiled after each competition part of the Ranking System. The top seeds for the abovementioned events will be fixed after the last scheduled selected event before the Senior World Championship or Olympic Games.

A final ranking will be established at the end of the year and the best athletes in each weight category will be awarded.

4. Ranking criteria in case of a tie between athletes

In case of a tie in the ranking between two or more athletes, we will determine the best of them following these criteria:

- Rank at the Olympic Games (if organized the concerned year)
- Rank at the last Senior World Championships
- Highest number of participation in the ranking events*
- Highest number of Gold Medals in the ranking events*
- Highest number of Silver Medals in the ranking events*
- Highest number of Bronze Medals in the ranking events*
- The most classification points in the ranking events*
- The most match won by superiority in the ranking events*
- The most technical points scored in the ranking events*

* Continental Championship and UWW Select Ranking Events of the concerned year.

We will use the same criteria if we have to move up tie athletes in the ranking when top seeds athletes don't participate in the Senior World Championships or Olympic Games.

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