

Referees' Council Information for 2019

Herewith the explanation of the information as applicable on all SAWF registered referees (including Judge's, Mat chairperson, or as mentioned otherwise) for 2019 as well as for tournaments. Information in this document might be updated and or changed with official communication from the SAWFRC.

This information, updates and rules can be found on the SAWF's website www.wrestling.org.za. We also invite all referees and interested members of the SAWF to follow the council on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SAWFReferees/>

Wrestling, like all other sports, obeys Rules that constitute the "Rules of the Game" and define its practice, the aim of which is to "pin" the opponent or to win on points.

Frequently modified and always subject to further modification, the Rules set forth herein must be known and accepted by all wrestlers, coaches, referees and leaders.

They call upon those who practice the sport to fight totally and universally, with complete honesty and fair play for the pleasure of the spectators.

UWW Rulebook

1. 2019-2020 REFEREES' COUNCIL

Position	Name & Surname	Cell phone number	E-mail address
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2. REGISTRATIONS

2.1. UNITED WORLD WRESTLING REFEREES

2.1.1. All UNITED WORLD WRESTLING Referees must be registered by 30 September 2019 for 2020 through their Associations at the SAWFRC.

2.1.2. Individual registrations will not be accepted.

President: MHJ Bosse; Honorary President: JH Taljard; Vice President: C Villet; Vice President: CJ van der Walt; Vice President: J Coetser;
Secretary General & Chairman Admin Council: HN van den Berg; Treasurer: SH Bartlett; Chairperson Officials: W Giliomee;
Chairperson Coaches: N Coetzee; Chairperson Team Managers: M Luff; Chairperson HSSC: R Pieterse;
Assistant to Treasurer & Secretary General: M De Wit; Chairperson Marketing & Media: SA Bartlett

- 2.1.3. Registration cost will be determined by the SAWF.
- 2.1.4. United World Wrestling referees who participated at international level the previous year - registration costs will be paid by the SAWFRC. All other UNITED WORLD WRESTLING referees will be responsible for their own registration cost.
- 2.1.5. A referee who wants to register as a new UNITED WORLD WRESTLING referee must be younger than 40 years of age and had at least attended 50% of all the South African championships in that year. Nominations will be presented for approval by SAWFRC and SAWF Executive Management.

2.2. SAWF REFEREES

- 2.2.1. Membership renewals for 2019 must be finalised on eTMS before the 1st of March 2019. Renewals after this date will attract a late registration fee.
- 2.2.2. New registrations as referee can be done at any time in the year but only after the age of 16 year.
- 2.2.3. LTPD referees may register from the age of 13.

3. SAWFRC FEES

Course fees (anybody can enrol)	R330.00
Practical Evaluation (Compulsory once a year for all the referee's)	R100.00
Re-examination	R100.00
Late entries for Championships/Courses (additional)	R80.00
Failure to attend SAWF National Championships if entered by the association	R150.00
Withdrawal in writing by Association for the competition before 07H00 on the day.	Free
Insufficient referees at SAWF National Championships – per referee	R2000.00

No cash will be accepted - Associations will receive an invoice from the SAWF Treasurer.

4. TOURNAMENT AND REFEREE QUALIFICATION REQUIRMENTS

- 4.1. A referee who wants to officiate at any SAWF Championships must first attend the annual SAWFRC National Course which is scheduled at the beginning of the year. This applies to all referees including judges and scoreboard officials.
- 4.2. The referee-to-wrestler ratio applicable at all SAWF Championships is as follows:
 - 4.2.1. Referees with National Level Qualifications : 1 referee per 7 (seven) entries;
 - 4.2.2. Referees with Provincial Level Qualifications : 1 referee per 3 (three) entries;
- 4.3. Referees who do duty on behalf of other associations may only do so with the permission of their own association who needs to communicate this in writing to the SAWFRC before the Championship.
- 4.4. Associations failing to supply enough referees as per 4.2 may be penalised with a fee of R2000.00 per referee that is short supplied. The penalty is at the discretion of the SAWFRC.

5. SAWF NATIONAL REFEREE COURSES

The following courses are scheduled for 2019. Timekeeping and scoreboard courses will once again be presented as and when required before SAWF National Championships.

No	Date	Closing Date	Registration Time	Venue	Fee's
1	19 January	16 January	08:30	Pretoria	R330.00
2	25 January	22 January	08h30	Cape Town	R330.00
3	TBA	TBA		TBA	R330.00

6. ENTRIES / WITHDRAWALS DURING SAWF NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 6.1. Entries - All entries to be done on eTMS. Late entries can be done on the day of the championships with an additional fee of R80.00.
- 6.2. Withdrawal - Withdrawal of a referee must be done in writing on the relevant Association's letter head before 07H00 on the day of the championships.

7. ATTENDANCE/REPORTING

- 7.1. Referees must report and scan-in on eTMS before 06H45 on the morning of the Championship.
- 7.2. Immediately after weigh-in, a compulsory Information and Rule Discussion Session will be held for all referees.
- 7.3. It remains the discretion of the SAWFRC to determine when a referee is late on the day of the championship should a referee report late then that referee's participation will not count for the day.
- 7.4. Late coming - Referees not arriving or failing to register on time will not be allowed to officiate for the day and the association will be penalised an additional R150.00.
- 7.5. Referees leaving early on the day of the championships, will not be recognised for the day's participation.

8. REFEREE'S DRESS (During SA Championships and Tournaments)

- 8.1. Referees, Judges and Scoreboard Officials will wear dark grey trouser with a black belt, black socks and soft soled black shoes. They may wear either a white cotton shirt or one of the approved SAWFRC golf shirts.
- 8.2. Female referees to be dresses as prescribed above while the shirt does not have to be tucked in.

9. EVALUATION OF OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS & TOURNAMENTS

Members of the SAWFRC will evaluate the Open Championships as follows

Event	Date	SAWFRC Member(s)
East Gauteng Open Championship	16 February	Andre Venter
TUKS Open Championship	23 February	Shaun Bartlett & Maretha Piccoli
Mpumalanga Open Championship	27 April	Danie de Wet
Abraham Geldenhuys Open Championship	11 May	Willem Giliomee
Martin Kruger Open Championship	11 May	Elize Grobler
Central Gauteng Open Championship	1 June	Charles Villet
Centurion Warrior Open Championship	20 July	Shaun Bartlett
Johnnie Reitz Big 5 Open Championship	3 August	Danie de Wet & Maretha Piccoli
Bears Challenge Open Championship	14 September	Andre Venter

10. WEIGH-IN AT SAWF NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Will take place on the morning of the competition. Scale officials will be appointed once the entries have been finalised.

11. WRESTLERS SINGLETS

- 11.1. Wrestlers must weigh in with tight fit one-piece singlet. No red on blue OR blue on red will be tolerated (except for the logo).
- 11.2. UWW singlets are allowed according to the Regulations and Guidelines.
- 11.3. Associations may apply for approval to the SAWFRC in the case of special designed singlets. A colour print of the singlet, front and back has to be send to the SAWFRC for record purposes.
- 11.4. During SA Championships, including Regionals, no other country's singlets will be allowed.
- 11.5. All other coloured singlets, including those of other countries are allowed on club and provincial championships, if it complies to the red and blue requirements.
- 11.6. No wrestler can wear a SA National singlet of another wrestler with that wrestler's name on.
- 11.7. During special calendar competitions, wrestlers can wear special designed singlets which are designed and approved by the SAWF and will only be valid for their applicable region. Wrestlers will not be allowed to wear those singlets to National championships.

12. EXAMINATION, EVALUATION & GRADING

- 12.1. A video exam forms part of all National courses.
- 12.2. The theory exam consists of modules which can be completed via the internet.
- 12.3. Each module must be passed separately with a pass rate of 70% to be taken into consideration for promotion to the next grading.
- 12.4. All SA registered referees must complete all the modules.
- 12.5. The cost per module is R10.00.
- 12.6. All National Referees must be evaluated at least once during a SAWF National Championship between January and SAWF Youth Championships at the end of the year – Entries to be done on eTMS correctly by Club and Association Administrators by selecting "Add with Evaluation" when entering for the championships.
- 12.7. The video and above modules make up 30% of the total pass mark required to pass with the practical evaluation making up the balance.

13. GENERAL

13.1. Duration of the bouts: (LL; LF & GR)

LTPD (0/6 – 0/8 years)	2 x 1 min 30 sec periods with 30 sec rest
Youth (0/9 – 0/15)	2 x 2 min periods with 30 sec rest
Cadets	2 x 2 min periods with 30 sec rest
Junior, President, Senior	2 x 3 min periods with 30 sec rest
Masters	2 x 2 min periods with 30 sec rest

Associations are welcome to propose and/or discuss issues with the SAWFRC in writing on an official letter head. We also welcome any invitation from association for assistance by SAWFRC members at their referee courses – cost of this will be for the associations account.

Should you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Regards

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