



Dear Mr. President,

As you might have noticed with the Senior World Senior Championships in Las Vegas, we have a new registration system.

With this letter, we want to tell you why we changed the system and wish to explain the procedure to follow for future international competition.

This system ([Athena](#)) has been created in order to facilitate the organisation of the competition by the National Federation.

With Athena, the organiser has access to all useful data regarding delegations (number of people, functions, arrival and departure schedule).

As you all now, hotel reservation and the welcoming of all teams is essential for such big competitions. It is hence very important that all National Federations register their delegation in the Athena system.

Athena has been made to improve organisation:

- **If you register your athletes, you will be able to buy their license online**
- **If you register your team, we will be able to proceed with the hotel reservation**
- **If you enter the arrival and departure schedule of your team, they will be cared for more easily at the airport**
- **If you register your team, accreditations will be made and will be ready at your arrival**
- **If you register your team, the weight in procedure will be facilitated, because your athletes will already be in the system**
- **If you register your athletes, the entry fee will be deducted online, so you do not have to carry large amount of cash on site**

- **If you register your team, our press and media representatives will know who takes part in the competition, and will be able to promote the competition**
- **Registering your referees online to the competitions and courses will also facilitate the administrative work. The medium-term objective is to pay the referees course's fee via Athena too.**

Those are the main reasons we decided to create this system.

If we want this to work, it is ASBOLUTELY NECESSARY to respect the deadlines for the entries. As you have seen in Las Vegas, once the deadline had passed, you could no longer register your team or add people to your team.

With this document, I want to stress that we will make NO exception if the deadline is not respected.

It is also important to us to tell you in detail what we expect from Athena, and how to use the system.

First of all, everyone registered for a competition via Athena will be present at the competition, will pay the accommodation fee to the organiser and will be accredited according to their function.

Let it be clear that athletes who were considered as "substitutes" in the past and who do not come to the competition do not have to be registered in the system.

There are two possibilities for registering your athlete(s) in a certain weight category:

1. If your National Federation wants to send 1 athlete in FS at 57 kg, you have to register only one athlete in this category. In this way, the organiser will know that you are coming to the competition with 1 athlete, and will book the hotel accordingly. You will have until the deadline for the final entries (1 month before the competition) to replace this wrestler. Once the deadline has passed, save in exceptional cases, it will not be possible to replace this athlete.
2. If your National Federation wants to send 2 athletes in FS at 57 kg because your key wrestler is not in top form, you have to register the 2 athletes in the system (Athena) so that the organiser can book the hotel accordingly. If you register 2 athletes, you can choose your leading wrestler up to the last

moment, which is noon on the day of weigh in.

You have to follow the same procedure if you want to register "sparing partners". They must be registered in the weight category in question so that the organiser can book the hotel accordingly. What is more, they must have a license in order to be included in the accident assurance cover.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that you can no longer buy the athletes' licenses at the competition and that your athletes cannot be registered for a competition if they do not possess a valid annual license.

We also need to explain a few things regarding the registration of other people in your delegation.

Everyone registered on Athena (so everyone who will be accredited) has to be part of the delegation and must **pay the accommodation fee**. Payment of the accommodation fee gives the access to the hotel, to food, internal transport and accreditation.

People who come with the delegation but who do not stay with the team and are not concerned by accommodation fee will **not be accredited**.

We would like to remind you the official number of people in a delegation:

| | FREESTYLE WRESTLING | | | WOMEN'S WRESTLING | | | GRECO-ROMAN WRESTLING | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----|------|-------------------|-----|------|-----------------------|-----|------|
| | 1-3 | 4-5 | 6-10 | 1-3 | 4-5 | 6-10 | 1-3 | 4-5 | 6-10 |
| Wrestlers | 1-3 | 4-5 | 6-10 | 1-3 | 4-5 | 6-10 | 1-3 | 4-5 | 6-10 |
| Team Leaders | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Coaches | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Doctors | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Masseurs | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 |
| TOTAL | 3 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 6 |

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| Referees | In case of a participation of more than 3 athletes (all styles together) enter a minimum of 1 referee |
| NF President | 1 |
| NF Secretary General | 1 |
| Accompanying Person | - |

All the people included in these numbers will pay the accommodation fee. All additional registered delegates will have to pay the accommodation fee for extra people.

The additional referees registered (up to the limit mentions in the Regulations) will have to pay the accommodation fee and won't be considered as extra people.

While registering your delegation, you will be able to ask for VIP accreditation. We just wish to inform you that only the Presidents and Secretaries General of a National Federation will be able to ask for those accreditations.

If a United World Wrestling Commission meeting were to be organized at a competition, the National Federations of the people concerned must register the delegation members of their respective countries. You just need to add a short comment with the function of the delegate in question as soon as you register him in the system.

From January 2016 onwards, all your delegations must be registered via Athena for the following competitions:

- **Senior Continental Championships**
- **U23 Continental Championships**
- **Junior Continental Championships**
- **Cadet Continental Championships**
- **Senior World Championships**

- **Junior World Championships**
- **Cadet World Championships**
- **Senior World Cups**
- **Olympic Games qualifying tournaments**
- **Golden Grand Prix**

Finally, let me remind you two important things where no exception will be allowed: it is absolutely necessary to respect the registration deadlines, and you cannot buy licenses at the competition.

It is hence not necessary to go to the competition if you have not registered your delegation via Athena or if you do not possess a valid license. What is more, registrations via email or fax will not be taken into account as was done in the past. The only valid registrations are the ones made via Athena.

In the hope that I have given you all the information you needed, I assure you, dear Mr. President, of my highest consideration.

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