



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I WRESTLING COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 3, 2024, VIDEO CONFERENCE**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. General Updates.

- a. There are 410 registered wrestling referees for 2024-25, up from 389 the previous year.
- b. NWCA conducted a survey of Division I Coaches, 80% of DI Coaches responded. 73% of respondents support a 21-day dead period between March – May.

2. Rules updates.

- a. The group discussed weight decent plans, specifically the inconsistent interpretation of what the lowest allowable weight is. Secretary Rules Editor, Jimmy Chung will discuss further with the Wrestling Rules Committee and provide an updated interpretation to the membership.

3. Officiating updates.

- a. National Coordinator of Officials, Mike McCormick conducted multiple evaluator and conference coordinator calls to prepare for the season.
- b. 80% complete with DII and DIII Officials assignments. Assignments will be shared with the committees for review.
- c. Two educational videos have been posted to the Center Mat central hub on RQ+.

4. Operations.

- a. The DI Wrestling Committee directed staff to send a reminder to coaches before the holiday break about the non-traditional events results after January 1 not counting for selections and seeding.
- b. The DI Wrestling Committee discussed a proposal from broadcast partner ESPN to modify the start time for session VI from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern. The committee does not support that change. The rationale is, that all the time possible to set up for the championship session (stage, chairs, mat removal, and conversion, in-venue enhancement installations, and rehearsals). Moving the start of session V earlier is not ideal, as it reduces recovery time for student-athletes, and would affect weigh-in time and door openings.

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Committee Chair: Matt Valenti, University of Pennsylvania
Staff Liaison(s): Anthony Holman, Championships and Alliances
Mark Bedics, Championships and Alliances

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Attendees:	
Damion Hahn, South Dakota State University.	
Tricia Brandenburg, Army West Point	
Shawn Zeplin, Duke University	
Matt Valenti, University of Pennsylvania	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Anthony Holman, Championships and Alliances	
Mark Bedics, Championships and Alliances	
Jackie Kawamoto, Championships and Alliances	
Guests in Attendance:	
Mike Moyer, National Wrestling Coaches Association.	
Jimmy Chung, Secretary Rules Editor.	
Mike McCormick, National Coordinator of Officials.	
Jackie Paquette, National Wrestling Coaches Association.	
Jim Fallis, National Wrestling Coaches Association.	