

2024 Division II Wrestling National Championships - Finals Site Seeding

10/24/2023

Previously, the finals were bracketed by a pre-determined formula. Below are the details on seeding the finals site. This includes the formation of a pre-seeding committee which would assist the national committee in pre-seeding the championship. This pre-seed committee would include equal representation from each super region (with a total of 12 people - two per region in the six-region structure). The same online system, similar procedures (except must be within three points to challenge versus a scaled point system in the super regional seeding) and criteria would be utilized by the pre-seed committee that occurs for the super regional pre-seeding (see below for specific criteria). Important to note that the National Committee has final decision and approval of the seeding.

Pre-seed Committee Structure

The pre-seeding committee will be comprised of 12 representaives equally representing the super regions. (2 per region)
 Pre-seed committee is selected by each super regions coaches through nominations from those coaches
 -Typical term is 3 years (*At times the pre-seed committee may have to be adjusted to maintain representation balance due to any adjustments that are made to the super region structure. This will be managed by the national committee and subject to change at any time by the national committee).
 - In the initial year each super region committee will be comprise of a 2-year and 3-year term (or combination of) in order to create a cycle of a new member each year.

National committee continues to have final decision and approval of the seeding and terms of pre-seeding committee.

Timeline

Monday following super regional competition	10am EST	Championship seeding opens for national pre-seeding committee. National pre-seed committee provided access to season record forms, head to head matches and wrestling comparison through trackwrestling system. If necessary, the seeding committee will hold an initial teleconference to discuss any initial thoughts or situations.
Wednesday	1pm EST	Seeding due from national seeding committee (via google sheet). Rank ten in each committee member's five weight classes, with top eight then being seeded.
Wednesday	5pm EST	Login to National Tournament available for the national office to tabulate the pre-seeding results (National committee reviews national pre-seed committee votes)
Thursday	11:30am EST	National committee call (6 national committee members)
Thursday	12pm EST	National committee call with seeding committee (Only National committee and seeding committee will be on this call and be able to make challenges, etc.). The national committee chair will run the call but will not have a vote. However, the national committee will break any ties that the seeding committee cannot break.
Thursday	3 pm EST	National committee call to make any adjustments and make final approvals.
Friday	12pm EST	Brackets released

Seeding Criteria (same as super regional)

Seeding protocol : Consideration for determining seeded wrestlers, but not necessarily in this order, is given to current season of competition:
 (a) a contestant's won-loss record (number of wins, win percentage, strength of competition, etc.); (b) head-to-head competition; (c) common opponent.