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2023-24 Wrestling Rules - Survey Results

Methods

- This was a survey of head coaches, directors of athletics, conference commissioners, senior woman administrators, and officials. The purpose was to assess the impact of previous rules changes and to gather feedback on possible future rules changes.
- The survey was designed to take no more than 10-minutes and was administered online through the QuestionPro survey
- The survey was open from March 4 to March 29, 2024.
- The survey was distributed via email to 665 coaches and officials. The link to the survey was made available through an online survey dashboard designed for athletics directors, conference commissioners and senior woman administrators to provide rules feedback during the 2023-24 academic year. A notice about the use of the survey dashboard was emailed to all athletics directors, senior woman administrators and conference commissioners prior to the survey launch. A follow-up email was sent to those who received the survey via email and a notice about survey dashboard availability appeared in the *NCAA Weekly* each Monday while the survey was open. Of the 1,259 possible participants, there were 285 completed surveys (23 percent response rate).

2023-24 Wrestling Rules Survey Report

QUANTITATIVE DATA

April 2, 2023

Title	Received	Possible	Response Rate
DI Head Coach	23	73	32%
DII Head Coach	23	78	29%
DIII Head Coach	42	125	34%
TOTAL COACHES	88	276	32%
DI Athletics Director	5	73	7%
DII Athletics Director	11	78	14%
DIII Athletics Director	18	126	14%
TOTAL ADs	34	277	12%
DI Commissioner	1	20	5%
DII Commissioner	1	18	6%
DIII Commissioner	3	20	15%
TOTAL COMMISSIONERS	5	58	9%
DI Senior Woman Admin.	3	70	4%
DII Senior Woman Admin.	5	73	7%
DIII Senior Woman Admin.	4	116	3%
TOTAL SWAs	12	259	5%
Referee	146	389	38%
TOTAL	285	1259	23%

Note: the 'N' for head coaches, athletic directors, conference commissioners and senior woman administrators was pulled from the NCAA Member Reports application.

Throughout the report, data are provided for groups in which the $n \geq 10$.

REVIEW OF PREVIOUS CHANGES

What impact have the rules changes below had on the competition?

1. Eliminating the restrictions on facial hair.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	53%	47	43%	10	57%	13	57%	24
Negative impact on the game	6%	5	13%	3	4%	1	2%	1
No impact on the game	41%	36	43%	10	39%	9	40%	17
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

QUESTION 1 CONTINUED

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR

	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	30%	10	60%	3	9%	1	35%	6
Negative impact on the game	3%	1	0%	0	9%	1	0%	0
No impact on the game	67%	22	40%	2	82%	9	65%	11
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER

	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR

	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	58%	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	33%	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

	Overall	
Positive impact on the game	60%	87
Negative impact on the game	5%	8
No impact on the game	35%	51
TOTAL	100%	146

2. Changing the medical forfeit rules so that the first medical forfeit is registered as a loss, except when a medical forfeit occurs immediately following an injury default.

HEAD COACH

	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	55%	48	87%	20	61%	14	33%	14
Negative impact on the game	28%	25	9%	2	26%	6	40%	17
No impact on the game	17%	15	4%	1	13%	3	26%	11
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR

	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	63%	20	60%	3	60%	6	65%	11
Negative impact on the game	16%	5	0%	0	20%	2	18%	3
No impact on the game	22%	7	40%	2	20%	2	18%	3
TOTAL	100%	32	100%	5	100%	10	100%	17

QUESTION 2 CONTINUED

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	83%	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

Positive impact on the game	66%	95
Negative impact on the game	1%	2
No impact on the game	33%	48
TOTAL	100%	145

3. Providing the referee with authority to confirm or overturn all calls or missed calls during a video review challenged sequence.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	85%	74	86%	19	91%	21	81%	34
Negative impact on the game	6%	5	5%	1	4%	1	7%	3
No impact on the game	9%	8	9%	2	4%	1	12%	5
TOTAL	100%	87	100%	22	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	76%	25	80%	4	82%	9	71%	12
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0
No impact on the game	24%	8	20%	1	18%	2	29%	5
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	80%	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	20%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

QUESTION 3 CONTINUED

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	92%	11	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

Positive impact on the game	99%	145
Negative impact on the game	0%	0
No impact on the game	1%	1
TOTAL	100%	146

4. Eliminate the control of mat violation and team point deduction for a delayed video review request.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	86%	76	96%	22	87%	20	81%	34
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0
No impact on the game	14%	12	4%	1	13%	3	19%	8
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	56%	18	60%	3	55%	6	56%	9
Negative impact on the game	6%	2	20%	1	9%	1	0%	0
No impact on the game	38%	12	20%	1	36%	4	44%	7
TOTAL	100%	32	100%	5	100%	11	100%	16

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	75%	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

QUESTION 4 CONTINUED

REFEREE

Positive impact on the game	71%	104
Negative impact on the game	10%	14
No impact on the game	19%	28
TOTAL	100%	146

5. Changing the points earned for a takedown from two (2) points to three (3) points.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	80%	70	70%	16	96%	22	76%	32
Negative impact on the game	9%	8	9%	2	4%	1	12%	5
No impact on the game	11%	10	22%	5	0%	0	12%	5
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	79%	26	80%	4	64%	7	88%	15
Negative impact on the game	12%	4	20%	1	9%	1	12%	2
No impact on the game	9%	3	0%	0	27%	3	0%	0
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	80%	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	20%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	75%	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

Positive impact on the game	94%	137
Negative impact on the game	3%	4
No impact on the game	3%	5
TOTAL	100%	146

6. Eliminate the hand-touch takedown.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	70%	62	78%	18	74%	17	64%	27
Negative impact on the game	22%	19	17%	4	17%	4	26%	11
No impact on the game	8%	7	4%	1	9%	2	10%	4
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	59%	19	60%	3	70%	7	53%	9
Negative impact on the game	19%	6	0%	0	10%	1	29%	5
No impact on the game	22%	7	40%	2	20%	2	18%	3
TOTAL	100%	32	100%	5	100%	10	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	42%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	33%	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	25%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

Positive impact on the game	95%	139
Negative impact on the game	3%	5
No impact on the game	1%	2
TOTAL	100%	146

7. Allowing wrestlers to earn three (3) near fall points when the referee achieves three (3) counts in a near fall situation.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	90%	79	83%	19	96%	22	90%	38
Negative impact on the game	3%	3	4%	1	0%	0	5%	2
No impact on the game	7%	6	13%	3	4%	1	5%	2
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	88%	29	80%	4	91%	10	88%	15
Negative impact on the game	9%	3	20%	1	9%	1	6%	1
No impact on the game	3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	6%	1
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	92%	11	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

Positive impact on the game	90%	131
Negative impact on the game	5%	7
No impact on the game	5%	8
TOTAL	100%	146

8. Modify the true placement rules so that any true placement matches conducted shall not alter the final team score of the event.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	64%	56	70%	16	65%	15	61%	25
Negative impact on the game	3%	3	4%	1	4%	1	2%	1
No impact on the game	32%	28	26%	6	30%	7	37%	15
TOTAL	100%	87	100%	23	100%	23	100%	41

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	61%	20	80%	4	73%	8	47%	8
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0
No impact on the game	39%	13	20%	1	27%	3	53%	9
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	67%	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	25%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

Positive impact on the game	43%	62
Negative impact on the game	4%	6
No impact on the game	53%	77
TOTAL	100%	145

9. Removing the required match stoppage after a wrestler is penalized for an illegal hold when there is no presence of an injury.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	69%	61	70%	16	65%	15	71%	30
Negative impact on the game	9%	8	4%	1	13%	3	10%	4
No impact on the game	22%	19	26%	6	22%	5	19%	8
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	73%	24	20%	1	73%	8	88%	15
Negative impact on the game	9%	3	0%	0	18%	2	6%	1
No impact on the game	18%	6	80%	4	9%	1	6%	1
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	75%	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	25%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

Positive impact on the game	82%	119
Negative impact on the game	8%	11
No impact on the game	10%	15
TOTAL	100%	145

10. Expanding the current mandatory five second count for the waist and ankle ride to include all situations in which the offense/advantage wrestler grasps the bottom wrestler's ankle.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	75%	66	70%	16	78%	18	76%	32
Negative impact on the game	16%	14	26%	6	17%	4	10%	4
No impact on the game	9%	8	4%	1	4%	1	14%	6
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	85%	28	100%	5	91%	10	76%	13
Negative impact on the game	9%	3	0%	0	0%	0	18%	3
No impact on the game	6%	2	0%	0	9%	1	6%	1
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	42%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	50%	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

Positive impact on the game	88%	129
Negative impact on the game	5%	7
No impact on the game	7%	10
TOTAL	100%	146

11. Adding that the offense wrestler must work toward obtaining near fall points and/or a pin to avoid stalling.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	67%	59	70%	16	61%	14	69%	29
Negative impact on the game	15%	13	13%	3	26%	6	10%	4
No impact on the game	18%	16	17%	4	13%	3	21%	9
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	97%	32	80%	4	100%	11	100%	17
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0
No impact on the game	3%	1	20%	1	0%	0	0%	0
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	75%	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE		
Positive impact on the game	88%	129
Negative impact on the game	3%	4
No impact on the game	9%	13
TOTAL	100%	146

12. Standardizing the weight certification period to not sooner than September 1 (rather than the first day of classes) and redefining the playing rules season as September 1 until the end of the competition season.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	68%	60	65%	15	65%	15	71%	30
Negative impact on the game	3%	3	4%	1	0%	0	5%	2
No impact on the game	28%	25	30%	7	35%	8	24%	10
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	79%	27	60%	3	82%	9	83%	15
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0
No impact on the game	21%	7	40%	2	18%	2	17%	3
TOTAL	100%	34	100%	5	100%	11	100%	18

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	83%	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE		
Positive impact on the game	43%	63
Negative impact on the game	1%	1
No impact on the game	56%	81
TOTAL	100%	145

13. For dual, triangular and quadrangular meets, allowing weigh-ins to be held two hours or sooner before the start time of competition (rather than one hour or sooner).

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	85%	75	83%	19	96%	22	81%	34
Negative impact on the game	6%	5	9%	2	0%	0	7%	3
No impact on the game	9%	8	9%	2	4%	1	12%	5
TOTAL	100%	88	100%	23	100%	23	100%	42

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	82%	27	60%	3	82%	9	88%	15
Negative impact on the game	9%	3	20%	1	18%	2	0%	0
No impact on the game	9%	3	20%	1	0%	0	12%	2
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Positive impact on the game	92%	11	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negative impact on the game	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
No impact on the game	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE		
Positive impact on the game	79%	115
Negative impact on the game	1%	2
No impact on the game	20%	29
TOTAL	100%	146

POSSIBLE RULES CHANGES

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1. Increasing the point differential from 8 points to 10 points to earn a major decision.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	25%	22	39%	9	17%	4	22%	9
No	71%	62	61%	14	74%	17	76%	31
No Opinion	3%	3	0%	0	9%	2	2%	1
TOTAL	100%	87	100%	23	100%	23	100%	41

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	52%	17	60%	3	55%	6	47%	8
No	30%	10	40%	2	18%	2	35%	6
No Opinion	18%	6	0%	0	27%	3	18%	3
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	60%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR			Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	42%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	33%	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	25%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE

Yes	30%	43
No	56%	81
No Opinion	14%	21
TOTAL	100%	145

2. Changing Rule 5.8.1 (Interlocking Fingers in Neutral Position) to a stalemate call each time this occurs.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	32%	28	39%	9	26%	6	32%	13
No	54%	47	57%	13	48%	11	56%	23
No Opinion	14%	12	4%	1	26%	6	12%	5
TOTAL	100%	87	100%	23	100%	23	100%	41

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	48%	16	40%	2	45%	5	53%	9
No	15%	5	20%	1	18%	2	12%	2
No Opinion	36%	12	40%	2	36%	4	35%	6
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	20%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	80%	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR			Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	58%	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	25%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE		
Yes	33%	48
No	61%	88
No Opinion	6%	9
TOTAL	100%	145

3. Taking the neutral out of bounds rule out of the stalling sequence and reclassifying pushing or pulling an opponent out of bounds as a technical violation.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	32%	28	9%	2	48%	11	37%	15
No	59%	51	74%	17	43%	10	59%	24
No Opinion	9%	8	17%	4	9%	2	5%	2
TOTAL	100%	87	100%	23	100%	23	100%	41

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	48%	16	40%	2	55%	6	47%	8
No	18%	6	20%	1	9%	1	24%	4
No Opinion	33%	11	40%	2	36%	4	29%	5
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	20%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR			Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	25%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	58%	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE		
Yes	18%	26
No	77%	111
No Opinion	6%	8
TOTAL	100%	145

4. Awarding only two (2) points for a neutral danger takedown.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	9%	8	9%	2	9%	2	10%	4
No	89%	77	87%	20	91%	21	88%	36
No Opinion	2%	2	4%	1	0%	0	2%	1
TOTAL	100%	87	100%	23	100%	23	100%	41

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	27%	9	20%	1	27%	3	29%	5
No	39%	13	20%	1	36%	4	47%	8
No Opinion	33%	11	60%	3	36%	4	24%	4
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	20%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	80%	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR			Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	75%	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	8%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE		
Yes	18%	26
No	77%	112
No Opinion	5%	7
TOTAL	100%	145

5. Increasing the points for a reversal from two (2) points to three (3) points.

HEAD COACH	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	22%	19	22%	5	22%	5	22%	9
No	74%	64	74%	17	70%	16	76%	31
No Opinion	5%	4	4%	1	9%	2	2%	1
TOTAL	100%	87	100%	23	100%	23	100%	41

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	58%	19	100%	5	36%	4	59%	10
No	30%	10	0%	0	45%	5	29%	5
No Opinion	12%	4	0%	0	18%	2	12%	2
TOTAL	100%	33	100%	5	100%	11	100%	17

COMMISSIONER	Overall		Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	20%	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	40%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SENIOR WOMAN ADMINISTRATOR			Division I		Division II		Division III	
Yes	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
No	67%	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Opinion	17%	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	100%	12	-	-	-	-	-	-

REFEREE		
Yes	19%	27
No	77%	112
No Opinion	4%	6
TOTAL	100%	145

REVIEW OF PREVIOUS CHANGES: What impact have the rules changes below had on the competition?

Rule	Positive Impact on the Game	Negative Impact on the Game	No Impact on the Game	Count
Providing the referee with authority to confirm or overturn all calls or missed calls during a video review challenged sequence.	91%	2%	7%	283
Allowing wrestlers to earn three (3) near fall points when the referee achieves three (3) counts in a near fall situation.	89%	5%	6%	284
Changing the points earned for a takedown from two (2) points to three (3) points.	87%	6%	7%	284
Adding that the offensive wrestler must work toward obtaining near fall points and/or a pin to avoid stalling.	82%	7%	11%	284
Expanding the current mandatory five second count for the waist and ankle ride to include all situations in which the offensive/advantage wrestler grasps the bottom wrestler's ankle.	81%	11%	8%	284
For dual, triangular and quadrangular meets, allowing weigh-ins to be held two hours or sooner before the start time of competition (rather than one hour or sooner).	81%	4%	15%	284

Rule	Positive Impact on the Game	Negative Impact on the Game	No Impact on the Game	Count
Eliminating the hand-touch takedown.	80%	12%	8%	283
Removing the required match stoppage after a wrestler is penalized for an illegal hold when there is no presence of an injury.	76%	8%	16%	283
Eliminating the control of mat violation and team point deduction for a delayed video review request.	75%	6%	19%	283
Changing the medical forfeit rules so that the first medical forfeit is registered as a loss, except when a medical forfeit occurs immediately following an injury default.	63%	12%	25%	283
Standardizing the weight certification period to not sooner than September 1 (rather than the first day of classes) and redefining the playing rules season as September 1 until the end of the competition season.	58%	1%	41%	284
Eliminating the restrictions on facial hair.	54%	5%	41%	284
Modifying the true placement rules so that any true placement matches conducted shall not alter the final team score of the event.	52%	4%	44%	282

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Possible Rules Change	Yes	No	No Opinion	Count
Awarding only two (2) points for a neutral danger takedown.	16%	75%	9%	282
Increasing the points for a reversal from two (2) points to three (3) points.	24%	70%	6%	282
Taking the neutral out of bounds rule out of the stalling sequence and reclassifying pushing or pulling an opponent out of bounds as a technical violation.	27%	62%	11%	282
Increasing the point differential from 8 points to 10 points to earn a major decision.	32%	56%	12%	282
Changing Rule 5.8.1 (Interlocking Fingers in Neutral Position) to a stalemate call each time this occurs.	33%	53%	14%	282