

# CWOA Officiating Standards

## Match Control

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# Overview

- ▶ Overall Philosophy of Match Control
- ▶ Communication
- ▶ Poise
- ▶ Flow

# Match Control

## ▶ Sources

- Rules Book
- Case Book
- CWOA DVDs
- CWOA Officiating Standards Pamphlet

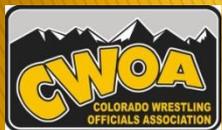
# Match Control

## ▶ Overall Philosophy

- An official must always be professional during a competition. Every action must give a sense of control with composure. Regardless of the situation, an official must come across as knowledgeable and knows what to do at all times.

# Match Control – Communication

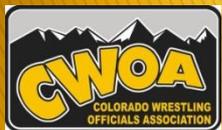
- ▶ Everyone must know what is going on
  - Information given in a clear, precise and efficient manner
  - Simple and concise as possible
- ▶ Professional to everyone
  - Direct and to the point with wrestlers
  - Work to avoid confusion with coaches
    - Be unemotional and specific
- ▶ Timer and scorekeeper
  - Clearly understood visual and verbal signals
  - If needed, take time to clarify call in a quick manner... don't cause delays!
  - Keep eyes on wrestlers when making calls
    - Try to avoid looking at table when giving points
    - Keep wrestlers between you and the score table



# Match Control – Communication

## ▶ Appearance

- The proper uniform and a neat appearance creates a good first impression.
  - The appearance of a competent referee commands respect.
  - Be in top physical condition.
- The referee's uniform consists:
  - A short-sleeved knit shirt, gray with black pinstripes
  - Full length black trousers with black belt
  - Black wrestling/gym shoes with black socks.
  - Colored flip disk, black lanyard and black whistle, red and green armbands.



# Match Control – Poise

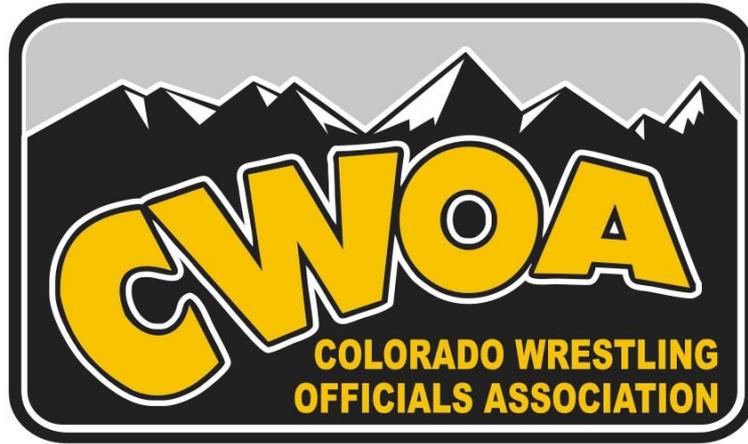
- ▶ Keep composure at all times
- ▶ Be firm in making calls
- ▶ Don't be intimidated (or at least don't show it)
- ▶ Difficult situations will occur
  - Stay calm and professional at all times
  - Penalize if needed
- ▶ Be deliberate in making difficult calls
  - Take your time but don't overuse it
  - Better a right decision than a hasty one

# Match Control – Flow

- ▶ Match should be smooth and well paced
  - Avoid unnecessary stoppages
  - Encourage wrestlers to keep wrestling and improve
  - Action does not have to stop for minor problems
  - Keep an eye on stalling tactics during time-outs
    - Lagging back from out-of-bounds
    - Unnecessary uniform adjustments
- ▶ Injury time-outs, etc.
  - Athlete's health is paramount
  - Monitor care so it treats the injury
  - Keep everyone informed of elapsed time
  - If time is up, wrestler must be ready to wrestle

# Match Control – Flow

- ▶ Preventive Officiating
  - It is often possible to prevent rules violations and infractions without placing either wrestler at a disadvantage. This will keep the match moving without interruption.



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