



SUMMARY OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR DOCTORS OFFICIATING AT INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENTS¹ ON THE UWW CALENDAR

Please consult the [UWW Medical Regulations](#) for complete information.

Your duties as the doctor in charge of the medical management of an International Tournament:

Organization & competition

- Pre-competition
 - Ensuring that the medical coverage is provided by qualified emergency and/or sports physicians, auxiliaries, nurses, medical staff with good knowledge of combat sports, particularly wrestling.
 - Supervising the organization of the medical examination before the weigh-ins.
 - After the medical examination, to provide the competition secretariat with the list of participants, duly signed.
 - Inspecting medical facilities
 - Preparing necessary documents and forms: injury report form, hospital transfer form, list of wrestlers
 - Attending the Referees meeting and the Technical Conference to present all medical aspects to the Referees and Teams.
 - Convening a pre-competition meeting with the local medical team to ensure that all doctors and paramedics are familiarized with wrestling competitions, typical wrestling injuries and make sure they have the necessary qualifications.
 - Verifying that the equipment of the first aid room is complete and appropriate
- Pre-weigh-in medical examination (female examiners must be available for Women's Wrestling checks)
 - Checking the medical exam station and personnel
 - Delivering the official list of registered wrestlers who go under medical examination
 - Meeting the examiners and instructing the procedure of the examination
 - The nails of all competitors must be cut short.
 - Supervising the examination and approving the results
 - Collecting the list and handed in to weigh-in supervisor
- In competition
 - Supervising the arrangement and readiness of the venue medical team
 - Checking that the equipment of the first aid room is complete and appropriate
 - Stationing at the competition area to observe competitions
 - Leading injury management on the mat by venue medical team
 - Deciding whether an injured wrestler may resume or stop the bout in accordance with the [International Wrestling Rules](#)
 - Arranging for referral of an injured wrestler to hospital for further investigation or treatment / see below "Injury during the competition"
 - Hygienic and prophylactic care of the wrestling mat: supervising the mats hygiene and order mat cleaning when necessary
 - Nobody is authorized to step on the wrestling mat wearing ordinary shoes (Article 22i)

¹ Competitions other than World or Continental Championships, Ranking Series or Games where no UWW Official Doctor is assigned.



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- **Be equipped and prepared to control nose bleeding and cover lacerations securely as quick as possible on the mat**
- **Hand & Finger Taping:**
 - A competitor may not use hand and finger tapings without medical justification.
 - Medical evidence justifying their use must be provided to the Doctor assigned by the LOC during the pre-competition medical examination.
 - In case of an injury during training or in the course the competition, the LOC doctor's approval is required for their use.
 - A *Taping Certificate* is available on the [UWW website](#) for approval by the LOC doctor on duty
- Other
 - Verifying that the **food/menus** offered to the participants are appropriate and compliant with the quantity of calories required in the UWW Medical Regulations.
 - Verifying that the conditions of accommodation of the participants are appropriate.
 - Medical service, headed by a qualified medical doctor, available at the place where the competitors are accommodated.

Anti-Doping (if applicable)

- Doctors will be called to liaise and collaborate with the Doping Control Officer(s) on site and advise on any aspect if necessary.
- Meeting doping control officer
- Reviewing the procedure
- Inspecting facility and doping control station
- The LOC Doctor must also ensure that:
 - All conditions are in place to allow a timely efficient testing procedure;
 - The chaperones, if applicable, are trained and are available to accompany the selected wrestlers to the doping control station;
 - To make sure that the Doping Control Officers are informed of the possibility of **Minors** being tested during the competition and to ensure that minors are notified for testing in the presence of an adult.
 - A space in the competition venue is used as a Doping Control Station (DCS) where **privacy, sole use and cleanliness** are guaranteed. This room will be used only as DCS and its access will be restricted.
If the room does not offer the Athlete privacy, and/or is intended to be used for purposes other than Doping Control while Sample collection is being carried out, you have the obligation to locate an alternative room/location to ensure that privacy and sole use are guaranteed.
 - The Doping Control Officers (DCOs) are well aware of the competition structure and program (2-days competition, repechage, etc.), when considering the selection of athletes for testing.

Reporting of injuries for insurance claims

Our Licensees are insured by IMSSA Insurance at UWW competitions under the conditions described here : [Accident/Illness Insurance & Emergency | United World Wrestling \(uww.org\)](#)

It is the tournament Doctor's responsibility to complete the UWW's medical documents, so that the Licensee can benefit from IMSSA Insurance' services. The procedure is outlined below "Injury during the competition".



Your role as Official Doctor:

→ Collaboration and communication with the head of refereeing is important!

IMPORTANT: referring to the International Wrestling Rules, article 56, letter i), please take note of the consequences on the ranking:

“If an athlete is injured and can’t continue the bout, he will lose the match by injury. The concerned athlete won’t have to attend the second weigh-in and he will be ranked based on the points that he earned until his injury. If the injured athlete is ready to compete for his next match, he has to receive the approval of the UWW Doctor (i.e. in this case, the LOC’s official doctor).”

An injured athlete will have until one hour after the end of his first day of competition to announce his injury to the UWW Doctor (i.e. in this case, the LOC’s official doctor). For all the other type of injuries or diseases that happen out of competition, the concerned athlete will have to attend the second weigh-in otherwise he will be eliminated of the competition and ranked last, without rank”.

Send immediately the “Injury Report form” and “Medical Certificate & Hospital Transfer Form” to licensing@uww.org and give it to the injured athlete / see details below.

INJURIES DURING THE COMPETITION

For ambulatory cases : diagnosis, treatment and follow-up of a patient without any night of hospitalisation

- Fill-in and sign the “UWW Injury report form” [Here](#).
- If applicable, fill-in and sign the “UWW Medical Certificate & Hospital Transfer Form” [Here](#).
- Send these documents immediately to licensing@uww.org and give them to the injured person or to his/her Federation’s member. UWW will contact the Federation for the procedure.
- Keep a copy for your file.

In this case, the medical expenses must be paid on site by the License holder’s Federation. The License holder’s Federation will have to complete the online declaration on IMSSA Insurance’s website within 48 hours and join these medical documents to get the reimbursement.

Note that without any UWW Medical documents, IMSSA Insurance will not consider the claim !

For emergency case (hospitalisation of one night or more, surgery, request of medical cover from hospital

- Immediately call IMSSA Insurance emergency call center at **+41 26 921 8001**. You will need to identify yourself by telephone, giving the name of your organisation (UWW) and the password (**22AYCA094011**).
- Immediately inform UWW - licensing@uww.org

In this case, IMSSA Insurance will organise the transportation to the appropriate hospital and/or repatriation, will take charge of the case and transmit all necessary information for the medical follow-up and financial coverage. The payment will be made by IMSSA Insurance directly to the hospital and/or treating Physicians.

IMSSA AND UWW SHOULD BE INFORMED OF ALL CASES AT THE LATEST 48 HOURS AFTER THE INJURY