

Stockyard Stampede – Official Weigh-In & Audit Policy

1. Purpose

This policy outlines procedures for weigh-ins, skin checks, and weight audits for the 2025 Stockyard Stampede, a sanctioned USA Wrestling TOA event. Its purpose is to ensure customer friendliness, athletes' safety, tournament integrity, and competitive fairness.

2. Weigh-In Options

Please be aware that a certain percentage of athletes will be weight-audited on Saturday prior to competition. Athletes must be within 3% of their registered weight class.

A. Satellite Weigh-Ins (Thursday Night Only)

- **Eligibility to Host:** Any USA Wrestling chartered club with **10 or more registered athletes** in the tournament. These athletes must be registered one (1) week prior to weigh-ins.
 - *Please email Marty Margolis (mmargolis@usawrestling.org) with your club name and registered athletes to apply to be an approved satellite location.*
- **Schedule:** Thursday evening weigh-in **BEFORE PRACTICE** (must be completed by 10:00 PM local time).
- **Process:**
 - Athletes are weighed in on **Thursday before practice**, in a single continuous session.
 - Skin checks must be conducted during weigh-ins by a **qualified adult** with **Current USA Wrestling Leader Membership**.
 - All weights and skin check results must be **entered into the USA Wrestling membership portal** no later than **10:00 AM Friday morning**.

- Club leaders will receive a **step-by-step instruction guide** on how to log into USA Wrestling's bracketing system to record weights.
- Athletes and coaches **NOT** with a club hosting a satellite weigh-in can contact hosting clubs listed on the website to obtain details on satellite weigh-in.
- Weigh-in Site Director must email the tournament director any questionable skin issues. These athletes must be cleared at the tournament by the Medical Director prior to competition. Please see USA Wrestling Skin Disease Manual ([FinalMRSAGuide.pdf](#))

B. Onsite Weigh-In (Event Site)

- Available on **Friday evening** at the venue.
 - Athletes choosing this option will go through **skin check and weigh-in** on-site at venue.
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3. Skin Check Protocol

- Required at **all weigh-in locations** (club or onsite).
 - Skin checks must be performed by a knowledgeable adult.
 - Focus: Face, hairline, torso, arms, and legs.
 - Mark athletes with a **check mark on the hand** upon passing.
 - Any athlete who **fails skin check** is **ineligible to compete** — no refund will be issued.
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4. Weight Audit Process

USA Wrestling will conduct **random weight audits** onsite to ensure accuracy and integrity of satellite weigh-ins.

A. Selection Process

- A random percentage of **registered athletes** will be selected for audit.
- Selection will be **randomized by USA Wrestling** based on data in the membership system.
- Selected athletes will be **notified by email and/or text 2 hours prior to the start of the session. Athletes will be given a 45-minute window to weigh-in, beginning one hour before the session.**

B. Audit Procedure

- Audited athletes must report to the **Weight Audit Station** in venue immediately upon notification.
 - Any athlete who is questioned by participants, coaches, or officials about a skin issue will have to be cleared by the Medical Director in order to continue to competition.

C. Compliance Standard

- Wrestler must be **within 3% of the weight they submitted** (not the max of their weight class).
 - If an athlete **fails the audit**:
 - They are brought to the **Head Table**.
 - The athlete is **removed from the tournament**.
 - **No refund** will be issued.
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5. Communication of Weight Audits (*NEEDS SPECIAL ATTENTION*)

A. Notification of Audit Selection

1. Printed List at Check-In / Mat Assignment Area:

- Display a **master list of selected names**, sorted alphabetically or by club.
- Staff can confirm receipt of audit notice and direct athletes to station.

B. Enforcement

- A selected athlete who does **not report for audit** before competing is subject to:
 - Immediate **disqualification** once discovered.
 - **Removal from results and bracket.**
 - **No refund.**
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6. Responsibilities of Participating Clubs

- Only eligible clubs (10+ athletes **registered one week prior to weigh-ins**, USAW chartered club) may host weigh-ins.
 - ***Please email Marty Margolis (mmargolis@usawrestling.org) with your club name and registered athletes to apply to be an approved satellite location.***
 - Must follow all procedures: certified scales, skin checks, accurate reporting.
 - Clubs are accountable for accuracy. **Patterns of discrepancy** may affect future eligibility to host.
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7. Summary of Consequences

Infraction	Outcome
Failing skin check	Disqualified, no refund
Failing weight audit (over 3%)	Disqualified, no refund
Not reporting to weight audit	Disqualified
Club misreporting weights	Reviewed for sanction