

Qualification Procedures for 2012 MN State Tournaments (Folkstyle and Freestyle)

Open tournaments will be a Qualifier tournament for the MN State Folkstyle and MN State Freestyle tournaments. The MN State Greco tournament does not have a Qualifier tournament; any athlete can compete in the MN State Greco tournament as long as they pre-register for the tournament.

MN State Folkstyle Qualifying Procedures

1. At each qualifier points will be awarded according to your placement. 1st place will be awarded 40 points, 2nd place will receive 25 points, 3rd place will receive 10 points and 4th place will receive 0 points.
2. The tournaments held at Jackson (Flat Earth), Stewartville, Moorhead, Lake Crystal and Owatonna will receive double points (80, 50, 20, 0).
3. To qualify for State you must earn 25 points.
4. Total points will be tallied for the whole season and will be used as separation criteria at the State tournament. Last year's folkstyle points (from the qualifiers and state only) will also be added in. If you're in the same age group as last year, it will be the full points. If you're not in the same age group as last year, it will be half the points.
 - a. Using the total points as explained above, the top 36 Pee Wee, 44 Bantam, 56 Intermediate, 64 Novice and 10 Girl wrestlers will gain this separation status. The rest will be drawn into the brackets.
 - b. Not all brackets will have the same amount of separated wrestlers. How many in each is left to chance.
5. This process only applies to Pee Wee, Bantam, Intermediate and Novice divisions. Schoolboy and Cadet divisions do not have to qualify for the State Folkstyle tournament and will use the same process as last year for separation.

The list of wrestlers and their earned points from this season will be posted on the MN/USA Wrestling web site. The list will be updated as soon as the tournament provides the information to the State office.

MN State Freestyle Qualifying Procedures

Brackets of 4 or less competitors -- The top 2 wrestlers qualify.
Brackets of 5 or more competitors -- The top 4 wrestlers qualify.

If a wrestler has already qualified based on the performance indicated above, the next wrestler in line will qualify. This information will be posted on the MN/USA website approximately one week after the second tournament of the season. In order to know whether an athlete has qualified who didn't meet the above criteria, please check the MN/USA Wrestling website often. There will be a link to a list of qualified wrestlers. The list will be updated as soon as the tournament provides the information to the State office.

State Tournament Registration

All entries to the State tournaments will need to pre-register. There will be no walk-on registrations allowed. Schoolboy and Cadet age groups do **not** have to qualify for the MN State **Folkstyle** tournament only. They still have to pre-register. All age groups (Pee Wee through Cadet) must qualify for the MN State Freestyle tournament. An athlete will be required to identify the weight class they want to compete at the State tournament at the time they pre-register. They will be allowed to move up one weight class but will not be allowed to move down a weight class.

Once an athlete qualifies for the State tournament, they can pre-register for the state tournament. We encourage athletes to compete at as many tournaments as possible, even if they have qualified. This will give the athlete more experience and give other athletes good competition at tournaments. If you have any questions regarding the qualifying process, please do not hesitate to contact the State office at 612-822-2298.