

**USA Wrestling Officials Association**  
**Wesleyan University Wrestling room**  
**Sunday November 30, 2008 3:00 pm to approximately 6:00 pm**

USA Wrestling- CT will be offering a USWOA Certification course on Sunday November 30, 2008 at Wesleyan University, Freeman Athletic Center 161 Cross Street, Middletown, CT. 06459-0265 wrestling room, registration will begin at 2:45 pm, the course will start at 3:00 pm and will include an exam at approximately 5:00 pm, which will take about 45 minutes. There is a \$35.00 cost associated with this course, if you take the exam, and there is not fee to just watch.

**BACK GROUND CHECK REQUIRED:** If you are over 18 as of December 31, 2008, you must register on line for your membership and back ground check process at <http://www.themat.com/membership/>. The cost for this is \$17.00 and is good for two years. The course fee for all Officials is \$35.00, if you take the exam, and there is no fee to just watch.

This Certification Clinic is designed to 1) certify USWOA Officials to objectively officiate USA Wrestling CT Youth Tournaments 2) increase coaches and athletes knowledge of the current High School rules and practices. Successful completion of the USWOA-CT Course allows participants to officiate at state, regional, and national USA Wrestling events.

To achieve certification prospects must attend a USA wrestling sanctioned USWOA Clinic, successfully pass an on-site examination (the rule book is not allowed to be used during this EXAM), legibly complete the USWOA application and successfully demonstrate the skills conducive of a wrestling official. The exam will consist of fifty questions. Participants must receive an 85% or better grade on the test to be certified as a USWOA Official.

This clinic will be conducted by, USAW-CT Officials Director. Upon successful completion of the course and exam, if over 18 as of December 31, 2008, the Official Director will e-mail you that you are authorized to go to the web site and sign up as an official and do the required back ground check process.

If under 18 as of December 31, 2008, USAWCT will submit your application and pay your 2008-2009 annual dues to USAWOA. Officials will be compensated at such events in the sum of \$15.00 per hour, except for the Nutmeg Series, which is \$10.00 per hour. YOU MUST THEN RESPOND TO, Mark Cammisa's e-mails to be assigned tournaments, State Chairman e-mail [markcammisa@comcast.net](mailto:markcammisa@comcast.net) . If you do not have an e-mail address get one or you will not be able to get assignments for tournaments.

**Finally, you will be required to send an e-mail to Mark Cammisa** at [markcammisa@comcast.net](mailto:markcammisa@comcast.net) to insure that you get your e-mail address registered with USAWCT. It is your responsibility to inform USAWCT as to any changes to your e-mail address, failure to comply with these rule shall result in your not being assigned. When you are informed that you have passed the exam, you will be required to select the tournaments that you want to officiate weeks prior to the events. You will be informed by a posting on the [usawct.org](http://usawct.org) web site as to which tournaments you are assigned. You will be required to sign onto the web site and accept or decline the assignment, two weeks prior to the event, if you do not confirm your assignment prior to the deadline, you will forfeit that assignment.

**Failure to show up for an assignment that you have accepted, will result in you being suspended from any further assignments for the remaining of the season.** In the event, you can not make the assignment you must contact Mark Cammisa on his cell phone 203 554-1270, leave a message if Mark does not answer and leave a phone number so that Mark can return a call to you confirming that he got your message.

To learn more about the USWOA Programs and how you can be more active with USA Wrestling contact Mark Cammisa, State Chairman e-mail [markcammisa@comcast.net](mailto:markcammisa@comcast.net) or call (203) 790-9209. Make an active commitment to the sport of wrestling---Join USA Wrestling!