



USA WRESTLING
6155 Lehman Drive
Colorado Springs, CO 80918
www.TheMat.com
Phone: 719.598.8181
Fax: 719.598.9440

OFFICIAL LETTER OF INVITATION

January 13, 2018

Dear Wrestling Federation President:

USA Wrestling and the Local Organizing Committee are honored to serve as the host for the 2018 United World Wrestling Senior Men's Freestyle Wrestling World Cup.

Iowa City and Carver-Hawkeye arena are the heartbeat of wrestling in the United States, with a long tradition of hard work and dedication to the World's Oldest and Greatest sport. Iowa's heartland has a passion for wrestling that is unrivaled anywhere on the planet. Iowa City is excited to showcase the University of Iowa and their passion at the 2018 Senior Men's Freestyle World Cup.

Please be aware of the following deadlines:

February 7 - Deadline for Preliminary Entries

February 7 - Deadline to request visas*

***Federations should be aware that some visas require 90 days to process.**

March 7 - Deadline to submit final entries and travel information

The University of Iowa Athletics and the Iowa City/Coralville Convention & Visitors Bureau will serve as hosts for this great event. We look forward to a weekend of very competitive wrestling in April!

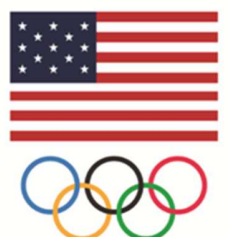
**UWW World Cup
April 7-8, 2018
Iowa City, Iowa, USA
Men's Freestyle Wrestling
Senior Division**

Sincerely,

Bruce Baumgartner
President
USA Wrestling

Executive Director
USA Wrestling

"WHERE OLYMPIC
JOURNEYS BEGIN"





2018 UWW World Cup

Senior Men's Freestyle Wrestling

Iowa City, Iowa, USA

April 7-8, 2018



The following regulations will be strictly followed. Variations will only be made by UWW/USA Wrestling.

Teams Invited by UWW

- The following UWW members in good standing: Azerbaijan, Cuba, Georgia, Iran, Japan, Kazakhstan, Russia and USA. One team per country.
- **USAW suggests that all foreign delegations participating at the 2018 Men's Freestyle World Cup have their VISA APPLICATIONS sent to the U.S. EMBASSY in their country of residence by February 1, 2018, to ensure an appointment and visa approval.**
- For Visa waiting time information for your country, please visit the following website:
<https://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/general/wait-times.html/>
- For other U.S. Embassy information, please visit the following website: <https://www.usembassy.gov/>

Venue and Dates

- The 2018 Men's Freestyle World Cup will take place at Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City, Iowa.
Address: 1 Elliot Drive, Iowa City, IA 52242
- The event will take place on April 7-8, 2018. Weigh-ins will be on April 7 and 8, 2018 at 7:30 AM

Financial Conditions

- All visiting delegations will be responsible for all food and housing expenses for extra delegates if they bring more than 10 titled wrestlers, one coach, one Category I-S or category I referee, one doctor, and one team leader. The 10 replacement wrestlers and any extra delegates will be charged CHF 200 per day. Teams who stay longer than two days before and one day after competition will pay for the additional time.
- Delegates who request **SINGLE ROOM** accommodations will be charged **\$200 CHF** per day unless odd number in delegation.
- USA Wrestling will be responsible for local transportation from the Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
 - Please try and arrange your travel through either Minneapolis, MN or Chicago, IL airports. Your final destination airport should be Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
- **Please provide detailed travel information to USA Wrestling by March 7, 2018.**
- All delegations must plan to depart by April 9, 2018. Special arrangements may be possible if requested.
- Delegations must adhere to the deadlines stated on the attached forms.
- Delegation participation and engagement fees shall be paid to United World Wrestling through the online Athena system
- Delegation's leader shall settle all payments for Room and Board upon arrival for each wrestler in one payment. To speed up the accreditation procedure, each nation must enter all members of delegation in UWW Athena system prior to March 7, 2018.
- **Federations are also encouraged to pay all costs in advance, transferring the amount due to the organizer's account. The information for wire transfers will be sent to each participating country.**
- No accreditation shall take place without the participation and engagement fees being paid directly to United World Wrestling.
- Place of accreditation: Coralville Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, 300 E 9th St, Coralville, IA 52241, (319.688.4000)
- If a Federation does not follow the deadline procedure, a CHF 5,000 fine per team will be due to compensate United World Wrestling and the organizer and participation in the competition will be refused.
- Delegation leaders will be responsible for any damage caused by members of their team during their stay.

Technical Conditions

- The tournament will be conducted under UWW Freestyle Wrestling Rules on two (2) UWW-approved Dollamur mats.
- The tournament competition will be conducted over two (2) days.
- The men's competition will be held in the weight categories (Kg) determined by UWW: 57-61-65-70-74-79-86-92-97-125 kg.
- Competitors will weigh in each day. A 2 KG allowance will be given.
- Competitors must be a minimum of 18 years old in 2018. Competitors 18 and 19 years of age must present a medical certificate with permission to compete in the Senior age group.
- Medical services will be provided by the Organizing Committee. Any medical expenses are the responsibility of the individual and NOT the organizers.

For more information, please contact:

Pete Isais (pisais@usawrestling.org) or Christina Hargrove (chargrove@usawrestling.org)

USA Wrestling • 6155 Lehman Dr. • Colorado Springs, CO 80918

(719) 598-8181 phone (719) 598-9440 fax



2018 UWW World Cup

Senior Men's Freestyle Wrestling

Iowa City, Iowa, USA
April 7-8, 2018



Technical Conditions Continued

- **ALL ATHLETES MUST HAVE A CURRENT UWW ATHLETE LICENSE. All Licenses must be purchased through Athena system.**
- Wrestlers may only compete in the weight class they weighed in for. At the weigh-in, they may opt to compete in the next weight category. Only wrestlers who weigh a minimum of 97 kg may compete at 125 kg. Each team may weigh-in two athletes per weight class. Weigh ins will be conducted each morning of competition. A 2 KG allowance will be given
- Each wrestler must undergo a medical exam prior to stepping on scale.
- The sampling procedure and doping control will be conducted according to IOC, WADA, and UWW regulations.

Organization

- The 1st ranked team in the Senior World Championships is the top seed of Group A and the 2nd ranked team is the top seed of Group B. The remaining three teams in each Group will be determined by drawing lots. The draw will take place prior to the event by United World Wrestling.
 - The winning team will receive one (1) point and the losing team zero (0) points.
 - If two teams have an equal number of victories at the end of the competition: The winner will be determined on bases of the result of their match.
 - If three (3) or more teams have an equal number of victories, the ranking will be determined following this criteria:
 - The highest classification points
 - The highest victories by fall, forfeit, disqualification
 - The highest match victories by superiority
 - The highest technical points obtained in all the competition
 - The fewest technical points given in all the competition
 - The team in the concerned teams that was picked first during the draw

No more direct match between the two last ex-aequo teams will be used if more than 2 teams have an equal number of team points.

Officiating

- A Type IV referee clinic will be held at this event.
- Referees belonging to UWW international I-S or I Category shall officiate these championships.
- Each referee shall present his referee's license to verify paid taxes for 2018.

Official Ceremonies

- Each participating team must have one (1) representative present at the opening ceremony according to the host committee's instructions.
- The national flags of the countries whose teams earned 1st-3rd places will be raised once the medals and trophies have been awarded.
- The national anthem will be played for each team place winner.
- USA Wrestling will provide the flags and national anthems; however, the teams are requested to bring their national flag (100 x 150 cm) and anthem on electronic USB drive which are to be given to the organizers at accreditation. It is the responsibility of the team leader to check the flag and anthem that USA Wrestling has obtained.

Accommodations

- Accommodations and meals for the participating teams will be provided by USA Wrestling at: Coralville Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, 300 E 9th St, Coralville, IA 52241, (319.688.4000)
- Accommodation for all competitors is provided in rooms with two beds and full bathroom facilities. Due to limited availability, any further single room requirements must be made in advance and shall incur additional payment of 200 CHF.
- All delegates must check out of the hotel by 10:00 am on the day of departure.
- Meals with a caloric value of 5,000 calories per day will be served to those accredited.
- USA Wrestling assumes no responsibility for people who are not on the list of entries or who are above the specified limit.

Training

- Delegations that plan to conduct a camp or require training space ahead of the competition may contact Pete Isais at 011.719.598.8181 or pisais@usawrestling.org. This request must be received at least 60 days prior to the competition.

For more information, please contact:

Pete Isais (pisais@usawrestling.org) or Christina Hargrove (chargrove@usawrestling.org)

USA Wrestling • 6155 Lehman Dr. • Colorado Springs, CO 80918

(719) 598-8181 phone (719) 598-9440 fax



2018 UWW World Cup
Senior Men's Freestyle Wrestling
Iowa City, Iowa, USA
April 7-8, 2018



Media

- USA Wrestling will send press accreditation and accommodation forms to each participating Federation.
- Members of the media are responsible for their own accommodation and board; however, hotels can be recommended.
- A press center will be available during the competition.
- Anyone wishing to record video must apply for UWW approval one month before the event.

Awards

- All members of the top three teams will receive medals and diplomas.
- The top three teams will receive prize money: 1st—50,000 CHF, 2nd—30,000 CHF, and 3rd—20,000 CHF.
- **Please be aware with new regulations UWW will wire Federations prize money.**
- Each participant will receive a souvenir and a diploma.

Entries

- Participating countries must send their entries to UWW at least three months before the competition.
- USA Wrestling advises that countries submit their information as soon as possible.
- Preliminary entries must be entered in the Athena System two months before the competition (**February 7, 2018**).
- Final entries must be entered in the Athena System one month before the competition (**March 7, 2018**).
- Any changes must be made in writing to the competition secretariat 30 minutes before the beginning of each match. No changes will be allowed after this time.
- The competition engagement fee will be CHF 100 per participant. This shall be paid through Athena System.
- Each wrestler must pass a medical exam in his home country at least three days before leaving for the competition. The results of the exam should be recorded in the wrestler's license book.

Deadlines: Please provide information according to their respective deadlines below:

- **March 7, 2018:** Deadline to submit final entry list for Federation Roster List. Each Federation must first contact Tyler Gonzales via email* at tgonzales@usawrestling.org to obtain a password for the entry website. To submit a final entry list, each Federation will have to visit http://content.themat.com/visa_applications/ in order to complete the necessary information for each participating delegate. Without the password, no Federation will be able to submit their information. Once the necessary information is provided for each participating individual, USA Wrestling will provide a visa support letter to the U.S. Embassy of your Federation's choice. **DO NOT SUBMIT ROSTER LIST VIA FAX. YOU MUST GO TO THE REQUIRED WEBSITE TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION.**
- **March 7, 2018:** Deadline to provide USA Wrestling detailed travel information for Federations. If this information is not provided to USA Wrestling by May 11, 2016, your Federation will be responsible for your own transportation, room and board. To submit travel information, please visit http://content.themat.com/visa_applications/ in order to complete the necessary travel information for each participating delegate. **DO NOT SUBMIT ROSTER LIST VIA FAX. YOU MUST GO TO THE REQUIRED WEBSITE TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION.**

***NOTICE!** When corresponding by e-mail, USA Wrestling kindly asks that your Federation please use your **UWW email account**. Due to security issues stemming from deceitful individuals impersonating international wrestlers, our State Department insists we provide proof that those wishing to participate at international tournaments within the United States are actual international wrestlers and are represented by a wrestling federation. Using your Federation's email account will provide this proof.

For more information, please contact:

Pete Isais (pisais@usawrestling.org) or Christina Hargrove (chargrove@usawrestling.org)
USA Wrestling • 6155 Lehman Dr. • Colorado Springs, CO 80918
(719) 598-8181 phone (719) 598-9440 fax



2018 UWW World Cup
Senior Men's Freestyle Wrestling
Iowa City, Iowa, USA
April 7-8, 2018



Tentative Tournament Schedule

Wednesday, April 4

Arrival of Referees

Thursday, April 5

Arrival of Teams

Referee Course: Level 4 Coralville Marriott 9:00 AM 6:00 PM

Friday, April 6

Referee Course: Level 4 and 5 Coralville Marriott **Start** 9:00 AM **Finish** 5:00 PM

Final Entries Due Coralville Marriott 11:00 AM 12:00 PM

Technical Conference—All Teams Coralville Marriott 4:30 PM 5:30 PM

Referees' Consultation Coralville Marriott 5:00 PM 6:00 PM

Saturday, April 7

Medical Control Coralville Marriott **Start** 7:30 AM **Finish** 8:00 AM

Weigh-Ins Coralville Marriott 7:30 AM 8:00 AM

Session I Carver-Hawkeye Arena 10:00 AM 12:30 PM

Opening Ceremony Carver-Hawkeye Arena 2:00 PM 2:30 PM

Session II Carver-Hawkeye Arena 2:30 PM 7:00 PM

Sunday, April 8

Medical Control Coralville Marriott **Start** 7:30 AM **Finish** 8:00 AM

Weigh-Ins Coralville Marriott 7:30 AM 8:00 AM

Session III Carver-Hawkeye Arena 10:00 AM 12:30 PM

7th and 5th place matches Carver-Hawkeye Arena 12:30 AM 2:00 PM

3rd Place (Bronze) Carver-Hawkeye Arena 2:15 PM 3:45 PM

1st Place (Gold) Carver-Hawkeye Arena 4:00 PM 6:00 PM

Monday, April 9

Departure of Teams

For more information, please contact:

Pete Isais (pisais@usawrestling.org) or Christina Hargrove (chargrove@usawrestling.org)

USA Wrestling • 6155 Lehman Dr. • Colorado Springs, CO 80918

(719) 598-8181 phone (719) 598-9440 fax

**SENIOR WORLD CUP (FS)
COUPE DU MONDE SENIOR (LL)**

IOWA CITY (USA), 07-08.04.2018

SPECIFIC INFORMATION / INFORMATIONS SPECIFIQUES	
Details of the organising Federation Coordonnées de la Fédération organisatrice	USA Wrestling 6155 Lehman Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80918 Tel: +1 719 598 81 81 Fax : +1 719 598 94 40 E-mail : USA@united-world-wrestling.org
Details of the competition venue Coordonnées de la salle de compétition	Carver-Hawkeye Arena, #1 Elliot Drive, Iowa City, Iowa, 52242
Age group Groupe d'âge	Senior according to the United World Wrestling rules Seniors selon les Règles de Lutte de United World Wrestling
Weight categories / Catégories de poids	Hommes / Men 57-61-65-70-74-79-86-92-97-125kg
Number of mats and trademark Nombre de tapis et marque	2 United World Wrestling approved mats 2 tapis approuvés United World Wrestling
Deadline for the preliminary entries Délai pour les inscriptions préliminaires	07 February 2018 07 février 2018
Deadline for the final entries Délai pour les inscriptions nominatives	07 March 2018 07 mars 2018
Referees' category Catégorie d'arbitres	Category I Catégorie I
Referees' course type Type de stage pour arbitres	Type IV and V Type IV et V
Reception of the teams Accueil des équipes	Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids, Iowa Aéroport de l'Est de l'Iowa à Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Details of the hotel for the teams Coordonnées de l'hôtel pour les équipes	Coralville Marriott Hotel & Conference Center 300 E. 9th St. Coralville, Iowa 52241 Tel: +1 319 688 40 00 Fax: +1 319 688 40 50 Email: brenda.greteman@marriott.com
Details of the hotel for the referees Coordonnées de l'hôtel pour les arbitres	Coralville Marriott Hotel & Conference Center 300 E. 9th St. Coralville, Iowa 52241 Tel: +1 319 688 40 00 Fax: +1 319 688 40 50 Email: brenda.greteman@marriott.com
Details of the hotel for the UWW Bureau Coordonnées de l'hôtel pour le Bureau UWW	Coralville Marriott Hotel & Conference Center 300 E. 9th St. Coralville, Iowa 52241 Tel: +1 319 688 40 00 Fax: +1 319 688 40 50 Email: brenda.greteman@marriott.com
Fee per day for extra persons Taxe par jour pour personne supplémentaire	CHF 200.-
Entry fee for the competition Taxe d'engagement pour la compétition	CHF 100.-
Details of the accreditation place Coordonnées du lieu d'accréditation	Carver-Hawkeye Arena, #1 Elliot Drive, Iowa City, Iowa, 52242
Organizer's bank details Coordonnées bancaires de l'organisateur	A demander à l'organisateur To be requested to the organizer

**FREESTYLE WRESTLING WORLD CUP (FS)
COUPE DU MONDE DE LUTTE LIBRE (LL)**

IOWA CITY (USA) – 07-08.04.2018

PROGRAM / PROGRAMME		
Wednesday / Mercredi 04.04.2018		Arrival of the referees Arrivée des arbitres
Thursday / Jeudi 05.04.2018	09.00-18.00	Referees' course – Level 4 Stage pour arbitres – niveau 4
		Arrival of the delegations Arrivée des délégations
Friday / Vendredi 06.04.2018	09.00-17.00	Referees' course – Level 4 and 5 Stage pour arbitres – niveau 4 et 5
	Till 12.00	Final entries Inscriptions définitives
	16.30-17.30	Technical conference – all teams Conférence technique – toutes les équipes
	17.00	Referees Consultation Consultation des arbitres
Saturday / Samedi 07.04.2018	07.30-08.00	Medical examination & Weigh-in Examen médical & pesée LL
	10.00-12.30	Competition – session 1 Compétition – session 1
	14.00-14.30	Opening Ceremony Cérémonie d'ouverture
	14.30-19.00	Competition – session 2 Compétition – session 2
Sunday / Dimanche 08.04.2018	07.30-08.00	II Medical examination & Weigh-in II Examen médical & pesée
	10.00-12.30	Competition – session 3 Compétition – session 3
	12.30-14.00	Finals 7/8 – 5/6
	14.15-15.45	Finals 3/4
	16.00-18.00	Finals 1/2 Award ceremonies // Cérémonies protocolaires
Monday / Lundi 09.04.2018		Departure of the delegations Départ des délégations