



UNITED WORLD
WRESTLING

REGULATIONS FOR THE LICENSING OF MATS

(OLYMPIC GAMES - WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS -
WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CUPS - TEAM WORLD AND
CONTINENTAL CUPS - “GOLDEN GRAND PRIX” FINALS -
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Article 1

For the Olympic Games, Continental and Regional Games, World Championships and Cups, Continental and Regional Championships and Cups, “Golden Grand Prix” Finals, as well as for any competition included in the United World Wrestling calendar, the use of “NEW” * wrestling mats licensed by the United World Wrestling is OBLIGATORY.

* a wrestling mat is considered as new if it is less than one-year-old.

For all other international competitions included in the United World Wrestling Calendar, mats must be licensed, but not necessarily new.

Article 2

Wrestling mats are licensed on the basis of scientifically established standards and following payment by the manufacturer of examination and annual fees laid down by the United World Wrestling.

Article 3

In addition to the technical specifications established in the standards, a wrestling mat must have the dimensions, as well as the colours and marking specified in the Wrestling Rules.

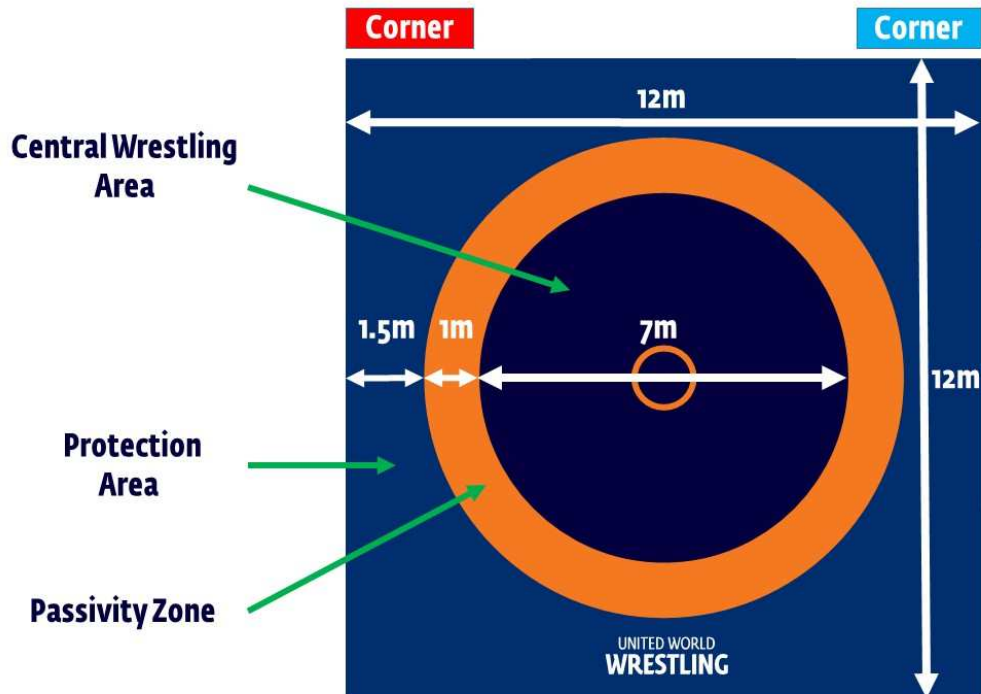
Measurement characteristics:

A standard wrestling mat must have a total square surface of 12 m x 12 m or octagonal with a diameter of 12 m.

A circle of 1 m diameter surrounded by a 10cm width band must be drawn in the middle of the mat.

United World Wrestling official marking must be indelibly applied as follows :

- a. blue (PMS 2757 and CMYK 100, 100, 0, 70) circle of 1 meter diameter defining the center of the mat.
- b. central wrestling area with a diameter of 7 meters in blue colour (PMS 2757 and CMYK 100, 100, 0, 70)
- c. passivity zone represented by an orange (PMS 158 and CMYK 0, 60, 100, 0) band of 1 meter width
- d. protection area of 1,50 meter width in blue (PMS 654 and CMYK 100, 84, 31, 17) colour



Manufacture of the mats:

The mat can be formed of one or several elements of the producer's choice. These elements must be between 5 cm and 7 cm thick.

In any case, the wrestling surface must be perfectly smooth, without any serious unevenness, gap or disjunction, by any means at the producer's choice, as long as the surface meets the above mentioned requirements. Adhesive strips must be avoided since the disadvantages they present (unstitching, cuts caused by rubbing or storage of glue and dust) may be prejudicial to safety and hygiene.

The technology currently applied means that a canvas cover must always be used to protect the mat. This canvas cover must be easily stretchable by an adjustable tension device which will be used to eliminate folds. The cover must be smooth and uniform to avoid any kind of skin burns and easily washable.

Article 4

Upon request of the producer, the mat shall be submitted to the "Laboratoire National d'Essais" (L.N.E.) in France, member of the International Standardisation Organisation (ISO), which will subject it to quality tests.

The tests will be carried out every four years, after the Olympic Games.

If, however, during a four year Olympic cycle, a manufacturer modifies the texture of his mat and would like to market it during the next Olympic Games, he will have the possibility to ask the United World Wrestling to submit it to the L.N.E. for testing.

In every case, the costs of the tests will be incurred by the manufacturer.



Article 5

The licensing procedure also includes a test carried out during a competition, on the course of which the wrestling mat is subjected to the inspection of a Commission appointed by the United World Wrestling President.

If this test is carried out at the express request of the manufacturer, the latter shall bear all the expenses of the three United World Wrestling Commission members.

Article 6

The manufacturer whose mats are licensed by the United World Wrestling will be able to request the licensing of its wrestling mats for a duration of four years (one Olympic cycle).

The manufacturer will have to agree contractually beforehand that he will :

- a. market the model and type of United World Wrestling licensed mats, carrying the label United World Wrestling, and strictly identical to the sample submitted for testing. Each part of the mat must wear the reference number and the type of the United World Wrestling licensed mat.
- b. inform United World Wrestling of any changes in the manufacturing of the mat in order to submit this modification to the LNE for testing and to the United World Wrestling Technical Commission for a proposal to United World Wrestling approval.
- c. clearly differentiate between United World Wrestling licensed and United World Wrestling non licensed mats in its catalogues and advertising (reference number, type and precise name of the mat)
- d. pay the annual licensing fee for compliance with United World Wrestling standards as laid down in article 7 below.
- e. pay each year the utilisation fee as laid down in article 7.b below

Manufacturer's rights

The manufacturer of United World Wrestling licensed mats has the following rights:

- to place a sticker stating " United World Wrestling licensed" on the edge of its mat.
- to include, along the edge of the mat, a list of all the World Championships, Olympic Games, World Cups and Continental Championships at which its mats have been used.
- he has the right and he must, according to the United World Wrestling Organisational Regulations, require from the organisers of the Olympic Games, Continental and Regional Games, World Championships and Cups, Continental Championships and Cups, "Golden Grand Prix" Finals, the exclusive use of licensed mats as stipulated in the United World Wrestling Constitution and Regulations. It is possible to use the United World Wrestling licensing certificate of the mat concerned for advertising purpose, the reference and type of mat must be mentioned.
- To associate themselves with United World Wrestling as officially licensed mat manufacturer in all communication - PR, Marketing activities.

The United World Wrestling will publish the list of mats licensed by it in the United World Wrestling Internet site.



Article 7

The manufacturer whose mat, after having been tested by the LNE and the United World Wrestling Executive Committee, has been acknowledged in conformity with the United World Wrestling standards, will have to satisfy the following financial obligations in order to be approved:

- a. Pay an annual licensing fee of CHF 5'000 (five thousand Swiss Francs.)
- b. This fee is payable every year, without exception. The manufacturer agrees to pay the fee to the United World Wrestling, upon receipt of the invoice at the beginning of each year and for the whole duration of the four year period separating two Olympiads.
- c. In the event of the mats being selected for the Olympic Games, World Championships and Cups, World League, Continental Championships, Cups and Games, for all age groups, the manufacturer must pay the utilisation fee in kind according to the following tariff :

Olympic Games	3 approved mats measuring 12 m x 12 m
World Championship, World League World Cups	2 approved mats measuring 12 m x 12 m
Continental Championships, Cups and Games	1 approved mat measuring 12 m x 12 m

These above mentioned mats are to be sent to the developing countries concerned by the manufacturer as per the instructions received from the United World Wrestling.

Transport and customs expenses, if the case arises, are to be paid by the United World Wrestling directly to the manufacturer.

In any case licensing will be granted by the United World Wrestling Executive Committee.

Article 8

Manufacturers who stop paying the annual fee may only request renewal of the approval and the approval label after the completion of an Olympic cycle, i.e. after four years.

The acceptance of an approval renewal application will be decided by the United World Wrestling Executive Committee, after examination of the testing report sent by the Laboratoire National d'Essais and of the report from the Technical Commission.

If the manufacturer cannot keep to its agreement, the United World Wrestling reserves the right to remove the United World Wrestling approval and therefore the right for its mats to be used at international competitions notwithstanding the United World Wrestling's right to sue for damages and interest for breach of contract.

Article 9

A systematic inspection of the quality and technical characteristics of a licensed mat will be carried out in the course of every four-year period by the Laboratoire National d'Essais, authorized by the United World Wrestling. No amendment may be made to the standards initially established without being previously submitted to the United World Wrestling for approval.



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Article 10

In accordance with these Regulations, and within the framework of scientific research, any mat manufacturer may request the United World Wrestling to license a new product on the basis of a report which clearly establishes the technical characteristics and texture of the new product proposed, and which as it complies with the standards, will be tested by the Laboratoire National d'Essais prior to its inclusion in the manufacture of a new and licensed wrestling mat.



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QUALIFICATION STANDARDS

MATS FOR HIGH LEVEL COMPETITIONS

(OLYMPIC GAMES - WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - TEAM
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Article 1 - Subject

The United World Wrestling qualification standard is designed to optimise the quality of wrestling mats during international competitions. Not only does it take into account the properties which facilitate a good wrestling technique, but also, and more importantly, the safety criteria which, where possible, prevent and limit incidents and accidents which could harm wrestlers' health and safety.

Article 2 - Sample

The sample submitted for testing must be at least 500mm x 500mm and should be provided with a canvas cover.

Article 3 - Aim of the tests

The tests aim to obtain mechanical characteristics, drawn up from repeat shock tests with the aim of supplying the United World Wrestling with the data measured. The United World Wrestling has laid down the relative requirements in the "performance-protection" compromise for wrestling mats with a view to their licensing.

The laboratory fees amount to CHF 5'000.- (five thousand Swiss franc) which must be paid to United World Wrestling by the manufacturer before the tests.

Article 4 - Conditioning and preliminary measures

The reference zone is made up of the nine possible "measure points" which are marked on the upper surface of the sample.

The sample is placed in an air-conditioned room, at $20 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$, for more than 24 hours preceding the test.

The dimensions of the sample are measured: the edges with the help of a ruler and the thickness at four points with a calliper. The mass is measured with precision scales. The dimensional and physical characteristics of the sample, with the cover, are measured in the following ways:

- sides (mm)
- average thickness (mm)
- mass (g)
- surface mass (g/dm²)
- volume mass (kg/dm³)

Article 5 - Repeat impact test conditions

5.1 Equipment

The testing equipment is comprised of a mechanical part, the impact machine and a computerised measuring chain.

The characteristics of the impacts generated are:

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| - total mass released (kg) | : | 10.025 |
| - diameter of the impact head (mm) | : | 100 |
| - contact surface | : | flat, rounded edges
(R=6mm) |
| - drop height (mm) | : | 400 |
| - theoretical impact speed (m/s) | : | 2.80 |



The machine is used on a flat concrete floor which is at least 80mm thick and acts as an anvil.

The measuring chain allows numerical and analogue data to be obtained during the impacts from the following graphs:

- displacement-time
- acceleration-time

The numerical data are computerised in order to obtain the parameters indicated in the following paragraph and the analogue recordings are made for visual use, if necessary.

5.2 Operating method

The sample, if it is skew not flat, is maintained on the ground using a metal corner iron frame (spreading the load of 1kg more or less over the edge of the sample).

After having set the drop height to 400 mm above the upper surface of the mat at rest, there are three series of eight impacts on three different parts of the sample.

The results concerning the first two drops on each area are recorded but are not used in the calculations.

5.3 Information used

Four parameters (obviously concerning all of them, the first in the event of multiple rebounds) are recorded, the first on the displacement / time graph and the following ones on the acceleration / time graph.

- penetration deepness (P pen in mm): maximum compression of the impact head in relation to the superior surface at rest.
- maximum acceleration (G max. en g): absolute value of the maximum acceleration at the moment of impact.
- energy absorbed (E abs. in %): energy absorbed by the sample during impact expressed as a percentage of the theoretical energy of the impact head at the moment of the initial impact (calculated from the V reb.).
- contact time (Tc in ms): time during which the acceleration is of an opposite sign to the acceleration time of gravity.

Article 6 - Data treatment

The treatment consists of calculating, for each impact point, from the information obtained in the 3rd to the 8th impacts, the mean, maximum and minimum values and the typical differences and the differences of each of the parameters recorded and to draw up a table summarising the mean values obtained for each of the points.



Article 7 - Results

The mean general values for each parameter are indicated in the following manner:

P pen (mm) G max (g) E abs (%) Tc (ms)

The United World Wrestling qualification criteria concern the four parameters mentioned above. The values required for United World Wrestling qualification are:

- P pen (mm) ≤ 38
- Tc (ms) ≤ 50
- G max (g) ≤ 30
- E abs (%) ≥ 70

The comparison between the values required for United World Wrestling qualification and the values measured determine if the product conforms or not.

Controls at random may be carried out by United World Wrestling during the licensing period.

Licensing will be granted by the United World Wrestling Executive Committee.



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