

## BY-LAW ARTICLE XXXVII

### Wrestling

#### Boys

**Sect. 1:** Wrestling shall be administered by the NHIAA Wrestling Committee and the rules of the National Federation will govern the sport when applicable.

**Sect. 2:** School requirements for the NHIAA wrestling tournament are:

- A. Must have a coach appointed by the school.
- B. A contestant must have participated in two documented weigh-ins AND three (3) individual matches which cannot have all occurred at the same event.

**Sect. 3:** All wrestlers will certify their scratch weights no later than the second Saturday in January.

**Sect. 4:** The following weight control program is mandated. Prior to the beginning of the first meet, each wrestler must consult their coach, parents, and school athletic trainer or physician. It is mandated that all wrestlers have their body fat measured by a medical professional prior to the first meet. Appropriate wrestling weight is that weight, which can be maintained, by eating a healthy, balanced diet. 7% for males and 12% for females is designated as the medically safe, minimum percent body fat for high school wrestlers. Wrestlers shall not certify for a weight class that is below these minimum guidelines. Most high school wrestlers will perform very well at a body fat above 7%. No wrestler is permitted to wrestle at a weight class lower than his certified weight. Appeals to the minimum weight certification requirement requires a statement filed by a physician to the NHIAA office.

**Sect. 5:** Each school is allowed a maximum of 14 wrestlers (one per weight class entry), and two coaches and two managers passes to participate in the state tournament.

**Sect. 6:** The NHIAA will recognize official competition in the following pound weight classes:

106	138	182
113	145	195
120	152	220
126	160	285
132	170	

### Sect. 7: Divisional Alignment

Wrestling schools will be aligned into three (3) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

#### 2017-18 Wrestling Divisional Alignment

Division I (1346 +)	Division II (751-1345)	Division III (1-750)
<b>13 Schools</b>	<b>12 Schools</b>	<b>14 Schools</b>
Pinkerton 3167	*Spaulding 1416	Oyster River 715
Nashua South 1875	Merrimack 1231	John Stark 700
Nashua North 1748	Winnacunnet 1109	Plymouth 686
Exeter 1741	Goffstown 1106	Pelham 628
Concord 1714	Man. West 949	Bow 595
Man. Central 1688	Milford 857	Kearsarge 566
Man. Memorial 1583	Windham 851	Monadnock 531
Londonderry 1579	Souhegan 828	Campbell 509
Bedford 1484	Hollis/Brookline 815	Winnisquam 492
Keene 1388	Kingswood 814	White Mountains 402
*Alvirne 1315	Con-Val 794	Newport 346
*Timberlane 1240	*Bishop Guertin 743	Mascoma 340
*Salem 1215		Profile 181
		Wilton-Lyndeborough 175

\*Petition

**Sect. 8: Awards**

- A. Divisional Meets: Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in all divisions. Individual medals will be awarded to the top six (6) competitors in Division I and Division II and the top four (4) competitors in Division III for each weight class.
- B. Meet of Champions: The top six (6) competitors from the Division I Tournament, the top five (5) competitors from the Division II Tournament and the top three (3) competitors from the Division III Tournament will advance to the Meet of Champions. Individual medals will be awarded to the top six (6) competitors in each weight class.
- C. New England Meets: The top three (3) competitors in each weight class will qualify to represent New Hampshire at the New England Wrestling Championships.