



## **Welcome to *Center Mat*!**

Welcome back to RefQuest Plus (RQ+) Center Mat, the central hub that provides a national platform for NCAA Wrestling that allows us to share critical information regarding rule interpretations, points of emphasis, officiating mechanics, and how those “tough call” situations should be interpreted.

If you received this letter via email, you have successfully registered for the NCAA central hub. If you are viewing this letter on [refquest.com](https://refquest.com) and have not registered yet, please click Register in the top right corner. Click [here](#) for more information on the NCAA’s Officiating Background Check Program.

Please visit the central hub weekly throughout the 2024-2025 season to stay current on the latest NCAA men’s wrestling officiating news from Secretary-Rules Editor, Jimmy Chung and National Officiating Coordinator, Mike McCormick.

Thank you for registering for the 2024-2025 season. Your dedication to excellence in officiating is critical to the growth and improvement of college wrestling. I look forward to seeing you all on the mats this season.

I wish all of you a healthy and successful season.

***Mike McCormick***

*National Coordinator of Wrestling Officials*

### **Eligibility:**

Eligibility Requirements for NCAA Postseason Consideration: To be eligible to be considered for NCAA postseason assignment, officials must complete the following criteria:

- Consent to a background check.
- Pass Rules Test (open book).
  - Score of 86% or better required to pass for regular season.
  - Score of 90% or better for NCAA Division I, II or III championships.
  - You will have 2 attempts to pass the test.
  - Test opens at 10 a.m. Eastern time on Monday, September 16.
  - Test closes at 5 p.m. Eastern time Saturday, October 19.
- View the Rules and Officiating video.
- Videos must be viewed by 5 p.m. Eastern time Saturday, October 19.



- Officiate a minimum of 10 dates in 2024-2025.

NCAA wrestling leadership and/or NCAA staff may add additional eligibility items.

### **Welcome Packet**

To reduce the cost of registration, an official may “opt out” of receiving a hard copy of the rules book. A digital version of the rules book will be available under “Publications” on Center Mat.

### **General and Professional Liability Insurance:**

As a part of your RQ registration, insurance is included for all intercollegiate contests. The program provides insurance for contests officiated from August 1, 2024 to August 1, 2025.

- \$6,000,000 per incident (\$1,000,000 General Liability and \$5,000,000 Excess)
  - Includes personal and advertising injury, bodily injury and property damage, damage to premises, abuse, and molestation (domestic and international)
- \$1,000,000 per occurrence for Professional Liability coverage
  - Includes errors and omissions, coordinators/supervisors, game graders, evaluators (domestic and international)
- \$15,000 Accident/Medical per occurrence
  - Includes accidental death and dismemberment, excess accident/medical beyond existing coverage
- Option to expand coverage GL/PL coverage for all non-intercollegiate events
  - Ability to extend coverage for officiating high school and other sanctioned contests
- Option to purchase increased game fee replacement insurance
  - This insurance offering is intended to cover instances where an injury or other medical event sustained from a covered accident renders you totally disabled and unable to work games you had been assigned. The coverage can pay fees for missed intercollegiate games, up to \$500 a week (for as many as 52 weeks).

### **Registration Fees for Officials:**

Division I: \$200

Division II: \$125

Division III: \$125

The registration fee for NCAA certified evaluators is \$100.