



2023 Ontario Youth Wrestling Festival

Bantam Championships

Novice, Kid and Tyke Festival

Saturday, April 22, 2023

*This contest is sanctioned by the Ontario Amateur Wrestling Association,
an organization officially recognized by the Province of Ontario*

Ontario 

Please Note: there is a \$5.00 spectator fee for entering the venue. Event Participants do not pay this.

HOST: Ontario Amateur Wrestling Association
HOST CLUB: National Capital Wrestling Club
LOCATION: Earl Armstrong Arena 2020 Ogilvie Rd. Ottawa, ON

ACCOMMODATIONS:

- (40 with 2 queen beds, 10 with 1 king + 1 sofa bed), all for **\$155/night** plus taxes and fees.
- Includes Breakfast Buffet, Parking, Wi-Fi, Pool, Fitness Centre, EV charging.
- Address is as follows:

Fairfield Inn & Suites - Ottawa Airport

135 Thad Johnson Pvt

Ottawa ON, K1V 1A2

Click [HERE](#) for Booking link

Book early to avoid being disappointed.

EVENT INQUIRIES: Tim MaGarrey (905) 577-5188 admin@oawa.ca

Please check the website regularly for event updates. www.oawa.ca

ENTRY FEES: Novice/Kids/Bantams \$50 (tax incl.)
Tykes \$35 (tax incl.)

ENTRY BY PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY – NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AT EVENT

Trackwrestling Link: [2023 Ontario Youth Festival Registration](#)

DIVISIONS/DRAW:

Bantams	13-14 years old	Born 2009-2010	8-wrestler bracket or 5 round robin
Kids	11-12 years old	Born 2011-2012	up to 5-wrestler round robin
Novice	9-10 years old	Born 2013-2014	up to 5-wrestler round robin
Tykes	7-8 years old	Born 2015-2016	3-wrestler round robin

No participant born 2017 or later will compete.

(Separate divisions in each age group and for boys and girls. Participants may not enter more than one division)

WEIGHT CLASSES: **Coaches: Please enter your athletes' weights to a tenth of a kilo using the Trackwrestling link.** There will be no pre-set weights. Novices and Kids will be grouped and will wrestle a round robin format (maximum of 5 per class). Bantams will be grouped into groups of up to 8

and will wrestle 8-wrestler bracket if 6 or more in the weight, round robin otherwise. Weight splits will use the guide lines as in WCL rule book. Note: up to 50 percent of the athletes will be red dotted.

PLEASE SEE DETAILED WEIGH-IN INFORMATION FOR WEIGH-IN PROCESS

AWARDS: Medals for top three.
Plaques for top Bantam and Novice/Kids (combined) Male and Female teams.

RULES: O.A.W.A. Youth Wrestling Rule Modifications apply – Go to the About Us Section of the OAWA website: www.oawa.ca

Singlets are mandatory for ALL PARTICIPANTS*. Note: female wrestlers cannot wear a boy's singlet with a t-shirt. Teams which do not have singlets can borrow loaners from the OAWA. A donation of \$5.00 per singlet is requested. Teams/Clubs are responsible for loss or damage (\$50.00 per singlet lost or damaged). Return by the end of the event. **\$10.00 LATE CHARGE FOR LATE RETURN.**

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE REGISTERED OAWA MEMBERS AT THE TIME OF PRE-REGISTERING

Please see below for a full summary of dates and times for the event, including entries.

REGISTRATION

Coaches are requested to weigh their athletes (in kilograms only) and enter their teams by Wednesday April 19, 2023 using Trackwrestling (click link below):

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Other entry methods will not be accepted. Once entered into the database, this information will be posted on the OAWA web site. Coaches: Please report any errors or omissions immediately.

There are no refunds for no-shows or missed weights will be given. There will be no charge for cancellations received before noon on April 20, 2023 (**after that time they will be entered into the draw and the full fee is due at registrations**).

Important Information for Coaches

Only Accredited Coaches will be allowed in the corner. 2 coaches allowed for first 7 athletes and 1 additional accredited coach for each 5 athletes registered. Extra coach pass can be purchased at \$10. Only pre-registered coaches will be given passes. We will not be verifying coaching credentials at the event, so please make sure you register all coaches in advance through the Trackwrestling link.

UNACCREDITED COACHES, PARENTS, ETC. WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE COMPETITION FLOOR. WE APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION IN KEEPING THE COMPETITION FLOOR CLEAR AND SAFE FOR ATHLETES, COACHES, AND EVENT OFFICIALS

To receive accreditation, coaches must:

1. Be Registered with OAWA as a Coach
2. Have completed the NCCP Community Coach Training.
3. Have completed at least the A course under the NCCP Competition/Introduction Training program.

Coaches must register at the time of the athlete registration using Trackwrestling.

Detailed Weigh-in Information:

To make this Youth event as fair and as much fun as possible, the O.A.W.A. supports the use of a pre-weigh-in for the Youth Festival. However, since doing this means variances in scales may occur, the Association uses a weight checking system for the Youth Festival.

Coaches concerned over the time lag between the weighing their athletes and the actual competition are advised to compensate for this when submitting the weight for their athletes. That is, consider building in a cushion by entering them at a weight slightly higher than their actual weight when weighed in.

Coaches are reminded that by entering an athlete at the weight you submit, you are confirming your athlete has weighed in at that weight or lower.

YOU MUST WEIGH THE ATHLETE IN. This is an honour system!

ALL WEIGHT CHECKS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE COMPETITION SITE.

A list of athletes having to weigh-in will be posted at the venue early Saturday

On Tournament day, athletes will be selected at random for weight verification. These names will be highlighted on the draw sheet. All wrestlers selected must report to the weight check room by the time listed on their age group on the schedule. Athletes may weigh-in during the earlier weight-check, but once they report to the scale they must weigh-in at that time - they cannot leave and return. They will be weighed in and their weight must be within a 1kg variance of the weight submitted.

If the athlete is not within this variance:

- **the wrestler will be eliminated from the competition.**
- all wrestlers from the athlete's club will have to weigh-in.
- If any other club members are above their weight as entered plus the variance, they will also be eliminated from the tournament.

For any athlete eliminated, or for any no-shows, the weight classes will not be re-drawn and it will be treated as a "bye". **No refund for no shows or disqualification for weight**

WEIGHT CHALLENGES:

Coaches with concerns about athlete's weight should report it to the Event Convenor (Tim MaGarrey), the Head Official (TBD), or the VP Technical of the OAWA (Bob Parsons).

If the Event Convenor, the Head Official, and the VP Technical are unanimous in their concern about the weight of any wrestler, they can require that athlete to weigh-in. this athlete must be within **TWO KILOGRAMS** of the weight they were entered at, or will be eliminated.

Please note:

- There is a **\$50.00 challenge fee** required. This will be returned to the challenging coach if the challenge is upheld (i.e. The athlete is overweight).
- Any challenge must take place before the beginning of the 2nd round of wrestling in the age class, and no challenge is allowed if the athlete passed 'red-dot' verification.

The balance of the weight checking protocol (i.e. requiring the entire team to weigh-in) will still apply and all must be within the allowed variance. Athletes on the team whose division has concluded for the day will not be required to weigh-in

Event Schedule

Please note: * Red-Dot athletes may weigh-in early, but if they do they must weigh-in at that time.
(that is, they can't leave and come back later to weigh-in).

April 19th Last day to submit entries.
Entry will be through Trackwrestling. Here is the link:

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April 20th List of entries received will be posted to the OAWA web-site.
Coaches, please review the list to verify your entries!

April 21st 12:00 noon. Deadline for withdrawals/corrections.
After this time, all entries on your list will be included in the draw and will have to be paid for in full. Withdrawals after this time will be kept on the draw and treated as 'byes'.

April 22nd **Ontario Youth Festival Schedule**

8:00 am Final Registration Opens @ venue, Red Dots posted.
DEADLINE for reporting errors on Novice draw

8:30 am Deadline for Tykes/Novice Red-Dot athletes to report to weight check
(Bantam/Kids can weigh-in at this time as well) *

Coaches' Meeting

9:00 am Novice and Tykes Tournament begins

10:00-10:30 am Kids Red-Dot athletes report to weight check
(Bantams can weigh-in at this time as well) *

10:30 am Opening ceremonies for all participants
DEADLINE for reporting errors on Kids draw

12: 00-12:30 pm Bantam Red-Dot athletes report to weight check

12:30 pm **Deadline for reporting errors on Bantam Draw**

Award presentation will take place in a separate area which will be announced.