

The Montana Open Wrestling Tournament

The MT Open started with a simple idea; create a tournament that would bring together all the wrestling organizations across the state of Montana and give kids who wouldn't normally wrestle each other a chance to compete. With the talented wrestlers across this state, the tournament has the potential to be very competitive. It has since grown past just the participation of Montana's best wrestlers, but draws teams from all over the country creating one of the toughest wrestling tournaments held in the state and the region.

FORMAT/RULES:

NO USA OR AAU REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE!!!

Folkstyle double elimination tournament – True second place

Modified Montana High School Association Rules

Hair code and fingernails will be enforced by referee

Headgear is optional

Double bracketing is allowed but not both in same age group

****ALL REFEREE DECISIONS ARE FINAL****

ELIGIBLE AGE/WEIGHT GROUPS: ***Continued FOR 2020, GIRL'S DIVISION***

6 & Under (Born 2013 and after)

37, 40, 43, 46, 49, 52, 55, 61, 68, 76

8 & Under (Born 2011 & 2012)

42, 46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 70, 74, 78, 87, 97, 108, 120

10 & Under (Born 2009 & 2010)

49, 53, 57, 61, 65, 69, 73, 77, 81, 85, 89, 100, 113, 127, 143

12 & Under (Born 2007 & 2008)

62, 66, 70, 74, 78, 82, 86, 90, 94, 98, 106, 114, 122, 130, 146, 165, 186

15 & Under (Born 2004, 2005 & 2006)

74, 81, 88, 95, 102, 109, 116, 123, 130, 137, 144, 151, 158, 172, 186, 200,

250 18 & Under (Born 2001, 2002, 2003)

98, 106, 113, 120, 126, 132, 138, 145, 152, 160, 170, 182, 195, 220, 285

**State issued birth certificates must be available at registration. Must be high school eligible wrestler to participate in the 18 & Under age division.

**MT Open reserves the right to combine weight groups based on the number of participants.



TIME PERIODS:

6 & Under / 8 & Under 1-1-1

10, 12, and 15 & Under 1 ½ - 1 ½ - 1 ½

18 & Under 2-2-2

**All consolation rounds will be wrestled with 1 minute rounds. Overtime is 1 minute with 30 second tie breaker rounds if needed.

**18&U consolation rounds will be 1 minute first round with 2 minute rounds thereafter. Overtime is as listed above

AWARDS:

Montana Open Champions "Skull" Trophy!

Medals will be given for 2nd through 6th place finishes.

Team trophies for small, medium, and large teams



REGISTRATION/WEIGH-IN:

*****PRE-REGISTRATION THROUGH FRIDAY, MARCH 27, AT NOON - ONSITE REGISTRATION WILL BE FRIDAY NIGHT ONLY*****

Registration and weigh-in will be held at the First Interstate Bank Arena from 5:30pm to 8:00pm Friday night only. Absolutely NO late registration or weigh-in will be permitted as this is a bout system tournament with assigned mat numbers and bout numbers.

The ½ pound rule will be in effect for this tournament. Once in the weigh-in area, wrestlers will be allowed to cut weight only if they are within ½ pound. Check scales will be available.

Wrestlers must make weight in their singlet.

****NOTE - A State issued birth certificate is required at registration. Additionally, the 18 & Under age group applies to high school eligible wrestlers. A current report card may be requested by tournament director(s) in case of protest.**

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:

Friday, March 27– Registration & Weigh-In from 5:30pm – 8:00pm

Saturday, March 28 – Doors open at 7:00am. Opening ceremonies will begin at 8:30am with wrestling beginning immediately after.

9:00 am – 3:00 pm 6U, 8U, 10U

3:30 pm – 8:30 pm 21U, 15U, 18U

Sunday, March 29 – Doors open at 8:00am. Wrestling begins for all age groups at 9:00am ****These times are subject to change****

ENTRY FEES:

All Wrestlers - \$25.00 Entry Fee Online
\$30.00 Onsite

ADMISSION:

Adults - \$20.00 2-day pass or \$12.00 per day
Students - \$10.00 2-day pass or \$6.00 per day
Children 4 and under are free.

CONCESSIONS:

Concessions will be available throughout the tournament. Per Metra Park rules, there will be no food, drink, or coolers allowed into the building.

COACHES' PASSES:

Coaches' passes will be available for purchase online and also onsite at registration. Passes will be \$40.00 per coach which includes access to the hospitality room. Food and drinks will be served throughout the tournament and will be available with a valid coaches' pass. Coaches' passes cover gate admission, mat side privileges, and coaching privileges. Clubs will be reimbursed 1 pass for every 7 wrestlers attending the tournament. Passes will be reimbursed at \$35.00 per pass. The remaining \$5.00 goes to the hospitality room.

COACHES' MEETING: Saturday Morning 8:30a.m. Location to Be Announced

GENERAL INFORMATION:

This tournament will be run using a true bout system with assigned mats. It will be important to communicate this to the younger wrestlers and parents that have not been around a bout system. Wrestlers will be assigned to a mat and they will wrestle on that mat all day. Bracket sheets will be available for purchase with all bout numbers and mat assignments.

