

2009-2010 PROPOSED BEGINNERS PROTEST PROCEDURE

An individual desiring to make a protest against a coach or a wrestler violating the Beginner's "Qualification" Rule for Beginner's Tournaments Standards may go on the Team GA website and complete a "Beginner's Tournament Protest Online Form."

Before the form can be completed, the accuser will have to answer a list of questions to determine if their complaint may warrant consideration. Once the questions are answered to favor consideration, the accuser will be required to give a minimum amount of information. Protests without this minimum information will not be considered.

Once the "Beginner's Tournament Protest Online Form" is completed, it will be assigned a "Protest Number" and sent to the Beginner's Committee Chair.

- Suggestion for an Protest Number:

Year-Month, Day of the month – Number of protests for the season

Example: Protest 2010-0119-0006

This protest was made on 1/19/2010 and was the 6th appeal of the season. The season would begin at the first scheduled Folk Style Tournament in the fall and end the day before the first scheduled Folk Style Tournament in the following fall.

After the Chair receives the Protest, the Chair will be responsible for either addressing the Protest or assigning the responsibility to one of the members of the committee.

The Committee Member responsible for addressing the Protest will inform all parties involved, the club of the individual involved, and the parents of the wrestler if the Protest is against a wrestler. The Committee Member will request the information needed to complete the Protest Form from the club the individual belongs. It will be the club's responsibility to provide all the information needed. If the protest is against a wrestler from an Un-Attached Club, the Committee Member will request the information from the parents of the accused.

Once the Committee Member has received all the information to complete the Protest Form, the assigned Committee Member will email the form to all other Committee Members. If a club or a parent refuses to give the Committee all the information within a reasonable frame of time, the accused may be placed on temporary suspension until such information is provided.

If the completed Protest Form has been sent to all Committee Members by the Thursday prior to a Sunday phone conference, the committee could elect to either vote on the Protest, request more information, or post pone the vote to the next Sunday's phone conference. If the completed Protest Form is sent to all Committee Members on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday (the day of the phone conference), the Committee Members will address the Protest the following Sunday.

If the Committee Members vote on the Protest and determine that the individual being accused did not violate the Beginner's "Qualification" Rule for Beginner's Tournaments Standards, the Chair will be responsible in notifying all parties in concern that the individual accused is in fact eligible to participate in Beginner's Tournaments either as a Rookie or a Novice.

If the Committee Members vote on the Protest and determine that the individual being accused did violate the Beginner's "Qualification" Rule for Beginner's Tournaments Standards, the Committee Members will determine a reprimand and suggest such reprimand to the Team GA Board. The Chairs will be responsible for delivering the suggestion to the Team GA Board. The Team GA Board will be responsible for delivering and caring out the reprimand on the accused.