

**MISSOURI USA WRESTLING
2012 ROOKIE STATE TOURNAMENT
INFORMATION SHEET**

DATE: Saturday February 25th, 2012

LOCATION: Civic Arena
Downtown St. Joseph
100 N. 4th
St. Joseph, MO 64501

REGISTRATION: You must register at www.trackwrestling.com –
Select MO/USA Rookie State Tournament
There will be no walk-in registration!
Registration will close on Sunday February 19th at noon

ENTRY FEE: \$20.00, non-refundable, must accompany entries.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: Barry Smith
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OFFICIALS: All officials will be MSHSAA certified.

WEIGH-INS: Friday, February 24th 7:00-9:00p.m.
Civic Arena
Downtown St. Joseph
100 N. 4th
St. Joseph, MO 64501
Optional Weigh-in Locations: No Optional Weigh-in

Saturday, February 25th 10:00-11:00 a.m.
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Rookies are first year wrestlers only! This event is for first time card members of any wrestling organization that are currently members of Missouri USA Wrestling.

All participants will compete at the age they were on December 31st, 2011. No high school students, regardless of their age, and no out-of-state residents, even if they are members of a MISSOURI USA WRESTLING chartered club. 15 year olds may participate only if they have not reached 15 before January 1, 2012 and are not in high school.

Scratch weight. Any wrestler who fails to make the weight at which they registered at during the weigh-in period will not be allowed to wrestle. **Absolutely no changes are allowed.**

Wrestlers will be allowed to weigh-in one time only on Friday night. If a wrestler is over-weight on Friday, than they will be allowed to weigh-in one time only on Saturday morning. Scales will be opened one-half (1/2) hour prior to the weigh-in times on Friday and Saturday to allow wrestlers to check their weight; after the weigh-ins begin, there will be no checking of weight. Wrestlers must be allowed to use any of the certified scales being used for the competition weigh-ins. Wrestlers who are over weight after their one time weigh-in on Saturday morning will not be allowed to wrestle. ***There will be no running, or other weight loss measures, allowed inside the wrestling facility.***

All wrestlers will be required to weigh-in wearing only a singlet with the straps pulled down; females will be required to wear their singlet with a sports bra, or other suitable undergarment. Each wrestler will be visually checked and if a participant is suspected of having a communicable skin disease, or any other condition that may make participation inadvisable, the wrestler must provide written documentation (which must be on the form supplied by MISSOURI USA WRESTLING and obtained by the participants club), dated and signed by a physician, within 14 days of the tournament, stating that the suspected disease or condition is not communicable and that the athlete's participation would not be harmful to their opponent. ***They must also have attached a doctor's letterhead or a sheet from the doctor's prescription pad to the skin form.*** This document must be furnished at weigh-ins. Covering a communicable condition shall not be considered acceptable and does not make the wrestler eligible to participate.

All suspected skin conditions must be covered at all times while the competitor is on the mat. Further, that in the event said skin condition is not covered, becomes uncovered or is not coverable, then the competitor may be required to forfeit, at the discretion of the tournament director or host official. If a wrestler shows up to wrestle without the condition covered, the wrestler will be put on one of their injury time-outs to correct the situation.

BRACKETING – General

1. All brackets will be completed via a blind draw based on the number entries per age/weight class, except for separating wrestlers from the same team.
2. All brackets are double elimination, with the exception of brackets of five or less, where each entrant wrestles the other wrestlers in the bracket (round-robin).

SEEDING – There will be no seeding. If two wrestlers from the same club appear at the same weight, each wrestler shall be drawn into the bracket; however, they must be in opposite halves of the bracket. If three or more wrestlers from the same club appear at the same weight, each wrestler shall be drawn into the bracket, however that they must be in different quarters of the bracket, as long as this is possible. Byes shall be drawn into the bracket before. When two or more byes occur in a bracket, an equal number of byes shall be drawn into each half of the bracket.

The tournament will be governed by the Missouri USA Wrestling tournament committee and the tournament guidebook.

COACHES MEETING: Conducted during 6 & Under Tournament

OPENING CEREMONIES: 12:00 pm (approximately)

WRESTLING BEGINS: 12:30 pm (approximately - **Wrestling will begin 1 hour after the conclusion of 6 & Under Tournament but no earlier than 12:30**)

TOURNAMENT FORMAT: This will be a double elimination tournament. There will be no combining of brackets. There could be an A, B, C; etc brackets in those age/weight classes in which there are more than 16 wrestlers. Five man and less person brackets will be wrestled as round robins.

ADMISSION: Adults \$3.00
Students \$1.00
Under 6 Free

Only coaches presenting a valid 2012 USA WRESTLING coaches card and a picture ID will be admitted free. Any coach unable to produce both will be charged admission. The tournament host has the right to restrict floor access. Coach's cards are not floor passes. Only coach's with a valid coach's card and a copper or bronze card around their neck, and a picture ID will be allowed to coach at mat side.

Match Times: 8 3-1 minute periods
10, 12 & 14 3-1:30 minute periods, **backside 1:00, 1:30, 1:30**
Overtime: Same as high-school rule book

WEIGHT CLASSES

8 & UNDER

40-45-50-55-60-65-70-75-80-85-90-100-115-130-145-160-175-190-205-205+

10 & UNDER

50-55-60-65-70-75-80-85-90-95-100-110-120-130-150-170-190-210-230-250-285

12 & UNDER

60-65-70-75-80-85-90-95-100-105-110-115-120-125-130-135-140-150-165-175-190-205-235-285

14 & UNDER

70-75-80-85-90-95-100-105-110-115-120-125-130-135-140-145-150-155-165-175-190-205-235-285

NO TEAM SCORES WILL BE KEPT.

The St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce has worked with MO/USA to obtain discounted rates at the following hotels; Holiday Inn and Ramada Inn (indoor water park). When booking your hotel room, mention **MO/USA** wrestling to get the discount. **The St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce is providing a goodie bag for each wrestler after weigh-ins.**

Directions: Traveling from the East and South you will want to get to 229 North and then take exit 6A to Edmond and drive 1 block north and the arena is on the right. Traveling from the North you will want to get on 229 South and take exit 6A and merge on to Felix the arena is on the left.

