

# USWOA REQUIREMENTS FOR REFEREE UPGRADE

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(Changes from previous policy in red)

There is no minimum age to be a registered official but a mat official must be a minimum of 15 years of age to officiate a USA Wrestling Regional event and 17 to officiate at a USA Wrestling National event they are qualified for.

## SHORT VERSION OF UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS

### M3 to M2

Must be 17 years old during the USWOA Membership Year **and their high school class must have graduated.**

Must have been a member of the USWOA for 2 years.

Must have worked at least 1 Regional or National event and been recommended for upgrade.

Must be recommended by State Chairman or State Officials Director.

### M2 to M1C

Must be 19 years old during the USWOA Membership Year.

Must have been a Category M2 for at least 2 years.

Must have worked at least 1 Regional and 2 National events. One of the Nationals must be in the year they seek upgrade. They must be recommended for upgrade at both of the National events.

Must be recommended by State Chairman or State Officials Director.

### M1C to M1

Must be 20 years old during the USWOA Membership Year.

Must have been a Category M1C for at least 1 year.

Must have worked at least 1 Regional and 1 National event in the same year they are seeking upgrade. They must be recommended for upgrade at both events.

Must be recommended by State Chairman or State Officials Director.

## WHERE OFFICIALS MAY REFEREE

Category	M1	M1C	M2	M3	M3	M3	M3
Age Requirement	20	19	17	17	17	15-16	Under 15
Tournament Site				HS Grad	In HS	Regional	Local and
Member May Officiate						Only	State Only
Senior World Team Trials	Assigned Officials Only						
US Senior Open	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Cadet/Junior Nationals	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes***	No	No	No
University Nationals	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Cadet FILA World Trials	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Junior FILA World Trials	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Junior National Duals	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Cadet National Duals	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Schoolboy National Duals	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Junior Regionals	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Olympic Regional Trials	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Kids/Cadet Regionals	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Kids National FS/GR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No

\*\*\* Category M3 officials who officiate at the Cadet/Junior Nationals must have graduated from High School, be recommended by their State Chairmen and/or their State Officials Director and worked at least one regional or national event during the year.

\*\*\* Upgrade from Category M1C to M1 is only available only at Cadet National or higher tournaments.

\*\*\* FILA membership will be dependent on passing the USAW background check.