

SYRACUSE WRESTLING OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

TRAINING PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

2026-2027 WRESTLING SEASON

1) Attend SWOA Vice President's Pre-season Training Meetings.

Vice President in Charge of Training - **Derrick Smith** (dtsmith141@gmail.com) (315 380-6416)

ALL PROBATIONARY OFFICIALS MUST ATTEND 5 OF THE SCHEDULED TRAINING MEETINGS.
ALL INTERMEDIATE OFFICIALS MUST ATTEND 4 OF THE SCHEDULED TRAINING MEETINGS.

Training Location: 2721 Brewerton Road, Mattydale, NY 13211 (parking and entrance in the back)

Training Monday Oct 26 6:00 PM - Introduction, guidelines, Rule #1, #2, #3, #4, #5

Training Monday Nov. 2 6:00 PM - Rules #7, #8

Training Monday Nov. 9 6:00 PM - #6, #9 - You make the call videos

***Training Monday Nov. 16 6:00 PM - Mandatory Meeting - On the Mat Review @CNS HS**

Training Monday Nov. 23 6:00 PM - National Rules Exam.

***Training Monday Nov. 30 6:00 PM - Girls Freestyle Rules Clinic**

Training Monday Dec. 7 6:00 PM - Starting a match, positioning, line calls, Locker room talk @CNS HS

GIRLS FREESTYLE REQUIREMENTS: All girls freestyle officials must have a valid USA Wrestling license AND have attended a training clinic in the recent past. If you are an active boys official who has not officiated girls freestyle in previous seasons, you must have a valid USA license and have attended at least one training clinic prior to being assigned. **NOTE:** The Nov. 30 training meeting would count as a valid clinic for any active boys officials who wish to officiate girls freestyle this season. You would also have to be evaluated at a girls freestyle event in order to be assigned further.

2) Attend pre-season SWOA Interpretation meetings.

Interpretation Meeting - Nov. 16th, 5:00 pm- at American Legion 1951 W. Fayette St., Syr

Optional - Counts as a meeting only **or** if SWOA interpreter gives the interpretations then it counts as SWOA Interp.

1. NYS Interpretation Meeting - Saturday Oct 10, 9am Holiday Inn at 400 Seventh North St., Liverpool, NY.
2. Interpretation Meeting - Sunday, Nov. 1, 10AM (Girls), 1PM (Boys), at the Section 3 Conference Center.

3) Attend 5 of 7 SWOA Regular Meetings. ONE meeting can be attended via **ZOOM**.

All at American Legion, 1951 W. Fayette St. Syracuse, NY

ALL TRAINING PROGRAM MEMBERS MAY NEED TO MEET WITH THE V.P. OR MENTOR 30 MIN. BEFORE THE GENERAL MEETING AT THE REQUEST OF THE V.P.

SUNDAY GENERAL MEETINGS:

Nov. 1 2026 - 5:00 PM

Nov. 15 2026 - 5:00 PM - SWOA Interpretations for NYS girls and boys - **Mandatory Meeting**

Monday Nov. 16 6:00 PM Mandatory Meeting - On the Mat Review, CNS High School Wrestling room.

Nov. 29 2026 - 5:00 PM - Membership Dues **MUST** be paid by this date

Dec. 13 2026 - 5:00 PM

Jan. 3 2027 - 5:00 PM

Jan. 17 2027 - 5:00 PM - Dues for next season are due at or before the last meeting

Feb. 7 2027 - 5:00 PM - Elections, pay Dues **MUST** for next season.

4) Be evaluated at the Blindmens Wrestling Tournament

December 19, 2026 at CNS High School

You MUST work this tournament to be considered for the next status level.

5) Pass the National Federation Exam with a grade of 85 or better

6) Pay membership dues by Nov. 29th, 2026. Dues equal to one Varsity Fee

7) Work the Scoring Tables at the Section III Finals - O.C.C.