<u>Wrestling Forfeits – Procedures for recording W/L Records for 2010-11:</u>

Dual Meet:

<u>Situation 1</u>: A team has multiple wrestlers weighed in at a weight class, when it comes time to produce a wrestler to compete at that weight class, the coach decides to forfeit the match. Record as follows:

Winner: Earns a win by forfeit over the school (but not over any specific opponent)

Loser: There is no loser in this scenario, so no individual wrestler would take a loss on their record.

Tournament-Winners Bracket:

<u>Situation 2</u>: A wrestler who is entered on the bracket sheet never takes the mat but forfeits to their opponent in the winner's bracket.

Record as follows:

Winner: Earns a win by forfeit over the school and the name of the wrestler who forfeited.

Loser: The wrestler who forfeited takes a loss on their record against the school and name of the opponent they forfeited to.

Seeding: Wins and losses count for seeding but wins and losses by forfeit do NOT count as head to head wins.

Tournament-Consolation Bracket:

<u>Situation 3</u>: The same wrestler who forfeited in Situation #2 is now placed into the consolation bracket of the same tournament where they never take the mat and forfeit to their next opponent again.

Record as follows:

Winner: Earns a win by forfeit over the school and the name of the wrestler who forfeited.

Loser: The wrestler who forfeited takes another loss on their record against the school and name of the opponent they forfeited to.

Tournament-2nd Day:

<u>Situation 4</u>: A wrestler who advanced on a bracket to a second day of a tournament does not make weight, becomes injured, or cannot compete and must forfeit on Day #2. Although they never take the mat:

Record as follows:

Winner: Earns a win by forfeit over the school and the name of the wrestler who forfeited.

Loser: The wrestler who forfeited takes a loss on their record against the school and name of the opponent they forfeited to in each and every round of the second day.

Note: If a wrestler had advanced to a semifinal (in a tournament that places the Top 6) the wrestler would receive 3 losses on their record: One for the semi, one for the consolation semi and a third for the consolation final for $5^{th}/6^{th}$. They would place 6^{th} in the tournament.

Tournament-Pre-Seeded:

<u>Situation 5</u>: A tournament is pre-seeded and wrestler's names are placed on a bracket sheet prior to weigh-ins. A wrestler who appeared on the bracket sheet does not make weight or cannot wrestle for some other reason.

Record as follows:

The wrestler who cannot compete should be entered as a Bye. The tournament director can leave the Bye where it falls or re-draw the bracket.

Allowable Exception to the rule would be a Sectional Tournament:

Most Sections pre-draw the brackets. If a wrestler slated to wrestle one of the Top seeds decides not to show up (as they figure they are going to lose anyway) the seeded wrestler should not get a Bye but instead earn a forfeit. Earning a Bye could easily have an impact on the Sectional team scoring as the top seeded wrestlers could lose opportunities of getting bonus points for pins/TF etc. Sectional Chairmen should announce prior to the start of their seeding meetings if the "no-shows" will be counted as Byes or Forfeits. If counted as forfeits:

Winner: Earns a win by forfeit over the school (but not over any specific opponent) .unless the the bracket is re-drawn (perhaps because the wrestler who scratched was a seeded wrestler and the seeds are being rotated. In this situation the wrestler may now get a different first round match or even a bye.

Loser: The wrestler who forfeited does not take a loss on their record as they never actually entered the tournament.

Tournament-Sixth bout of the day:

<u>Situation 6</u>: A wrestler is forced to forfeit because if they wrestled their next bout, it would be their 6th match of the day which would put them over the allotted 5 bouts per day.

Record as follows:

Winner: Earns a win by forfeit over the school (but not over any specific opponent) .

Loser: The wrestler who forfeited does not take a loss on their record as they were denied the chance to wrestle based on the maximum matches per day rule.

Tournament-Individual Round Robin:

<u>Situation 7</u>: A tournament is set up as a round robin pooled tournament. A weight class is short one or more entry(s) due to a team(s) not having a representative(s) at that weight class. The missing entries become BYES and not forfeits..

Record as follows:

Winner: Earns a Bye in each round they were scheduled to wrestle a school without an entry.

Loser: There is no loser as no wrestler was entered in the weight class.

Tournament-Individual Round Robin:

<u>Situation 8</u>: A tournament is set up as a round robin pooled tournament. If a wrestler who is on the bracket sheet in one of the pooled weight classes must forfeit (without taking the mat) because they are removed from the tournament by the on-site trainer or medical staff due to an injury that does not allow them to compete further.

Record as follows:

Winner: Earns a win by forfeit over the school and the name of the wrestler who forfeited.

Loser: The wrestler who forfeited takes a loss on their record against the school and name of the opponent they forfeited to. If the wrestler who did not compete and just took a loss is unable to compete in any remaining matches, they would <u>not</u> take additional losses for each time they were scheduled to wrestle and did not. The tournament director should remove the wrestler from the tournament and replace them with a BYE for all remaining rounds.

However: if the reason for forfeiting was not mandated by the on-site trainer or medical staff then <u>all matches forfeited are losses and the</u> they <u>would</u> take additional losses for each time they were scheduled to wrestle and did not. (This could result in them going 0 and 10 for the tournament)

Tournament-Individual Round Robin:

<u>Situation 9</u>: A tournament is set up as a round robin pooled tournament. A weight class is short an entry due to a team not having a representative at that weight class. Another team enters a "JV" or "extra" Varsity wrestler in the weight to fill the bye. But this wrestler never actually wrestles; they are entered but will forfeit all of their matches.

Record as follows:

Winner: Earns a win by forfeit over the school and the name of the "extra" wrestler who forfeited.

Loser: The "extra" wrestler who forfeits each round takes a loss on their record against the school and name of the opponent they forfeited to each round that they do not wrestle. This "extra" wrestler must count the tournament as one of their 6 tournaments and it will cost them 2 points towards their 20 point maximum.