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To: PSO/TSO – Club Coaches
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Reference: Match Challenge Process – A.K.A. ‘White Paddle’

Dear Wrestling Community,

Here is a heads up of a motion/rule that was passed at the 2009 Wrestling Canada Lutte Annual General Meeting. The focus has been on the protest procedures at the National Championships and all major events in Canada (Trials, Carding events, etc.).

We have moved towards the “No Protest Model” that is used at the FILA level for our High Performance Events. Starting this Year, we will be use the following “Challenge Procedures”!

Currently at the CAWA level we have 3 levels of Challenges:

- **Full Challenge** (using white paddle and mat side review) if the coach/athlete decides to challenge and the challenge is not overturned. Then 1 point will be awarded to his/her opponent. **NO PROTESTS.**
**This will take place at the Junior/Senior Nationals, Carding Events and Trials (Guelph/Hargobind-Clansmen) and any Trials (FISU/Olympic).
- **Challenge** (using white paddle and without mat side video). No point is awarded if the challenge is lost and a protest is allowed.
**This will take place at the Cadet/Juvenile Nationals
- No Challenge process. Protest allowed. There maybe mat side video if available. (Our old system) Coaches approach at will.
This process may need to go through association or rules committees to change to the Challenge procedures.

Please review this document and make sure all your coaches see it. If they are unfamiliar with the White Paddle rule, then they should be educated at the next coaches meetings that are held in your provinces.

As well please review the section in the Updated CAWA Rule book on the procedure.

All officials will be made aware of the changes.

Sincerely,

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