

SECTION XI WRESTLING
Suffolk County Division I
Tournament Seeding Criteria
2011-2012

I. Administrative

A. Procedures before Seeding

1. All wrestlers District Report Forms are to be submitted by each coach. **They must be updated from the league tournament and signed by the coach.**
2. Scorebooks and all tournament bracket sheets are to be brought to all seeding meetings.
3. Each coach or representative must submit his complete entry list prior to the beginning of the seeding meeting.
4. A wrestler is considered to be officially entered in a tournament when his name is entered at the seeding meeting.
5. A representative from each league shall collect all record sheets at the conclusion of the league seeding meeting in order to insure that all sheets will be available at the Section XI seeding meeting (In case of any challenges).

B. Seeding Guidelines for Section XI Tournaments Only

1. Power rate all League champions in each weight class at the same time. Only league champions may be seeded.
2. After each seed has been determined, adjust the power rating of the remaining league champions (Section XI). Continue this procedure until all league champions have been seeded.
3. The remaining wrestlers in each weight class will be placed according to the automatic seeding formula. (See Section XI bracket sheet)
4. Wrestlers from the same league may not meet before the quarterfinal round.
5. Only the top three league finishers will advance to the Sectional Championship. If one of these top three individuals are not entered in the tournament or scratch prior to the conclusion of the scratch meeting, the fourth place finisher from that league will become eligible. "In the event that an open slot remains in the Section XI Tournament after attempting to fill that slot from the respective league of the scratched wrestler, all other fourth place finishers become eligible to fill that slot. Fourth place finishers from all six leagues (D-1) will be seeded as per the League Seeding Criteria. If a coach is not present for the seeding of the alternates, that wrestler will be seeded last. If there are more than one coach missing for the seeding, wrestlers will be drawn into the last remaining seeds. The highest seeded wrestler outside the league will have the first opportunity to fill the open slot. If the highest seed cannot be placed in the open slot according to rule I-B-4, the next highest seed will have the opportunity to fill the open slot. This process will proceed until all alternates have an opportunity to fill the open slot."

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C. Seeding Guidelines for Tournaments.

1. Determine the order for seeding the weight classes by random draw.
2. The results of junior varsity and exhibition matches may not be used for the purposes of seeding. Head to head matches on the JV level may be used as a tie breaker between two wrestlers.
3. **All Forfeit Rules to follow NYSPHSAA rules in the Handbook of Wrestling.**
4. Losses by disqualification forfeit or by default are to be considered for indirect wins.
5. The categories of "Defending Place Winner" and "Quality Wins" refer to the tournaments of the immediately preceding year only.
6. The percentage concept of power rating points shall be used.
7. Once the seeding meeting is adjourned, all seeds are closed. If seeding information is challenged during seeding, the weight class may be kept open and seeded according to the various possibilities. The correct seed will be adopted at the scratch meeting once the challenge has been satisfied. This rule can be kept open only under rule C-8, extenuating circumstances.
8. Extenuating circumstances: If any coach makes a motion and it is seconded, that proposal may be passed by a 2/3 majority vote, with each school present having one vote. This rule may not be applied to the seeding criteria itself or any Section XI or New York State rule.

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II. Power Rating

A. A returning Section XI champion, who is undefeated against Section XI opponents, and who wins his league, must also be considered for the first seed in the Section XI tournament. This consideration must take place prior to the actual power rating and his first seed will be determined according to Rule C-8 (Extenuating Circumstances) of the seeding criteria.

B. Point Value-Power Rating

1. Varsity Wins:

a) Total number of varsity wins times 10 (Section XI tournament)

2. Direct Wins:

a) 40 points – (Sectional XI Tournament)

3. Indirect Wins:

a) 15 points each with a maximum of 60 points for Sectional Tournament.

4. Defending Place Winners:

a) Section XI Tournaments

1) Champion: 200 points (DII – 1/3, 66 points)

2) Runner-up: 160 points (DII – No points)

3) 3rd place: 120 points (DII – No points)

4) 4th place: 80 points (DII – No Points)

5) 5th place: 40 points (DII – No Points)

6) 6th place: 20 points (DII – No Points)

b) New York State Tournament

1) Champion, Runner-up, 3rd place: 160 points

2) 4th, 5th, 6th place: 80 points

5. Quality Wins:

a) Over Sectional Place Winners:

1) Over NYS Sectional Champion: 60 points

2) Over Section XI runner-up: 50 points

3) Over Section XI 3rd place: 40 points

4) Over Section XI 4th place: 30 points

5) Over Section XI 5th place: 20 points

6) Over Section XI 6th place: 10 points

b) Over New York State Place Winners:

1) Over Champion, 2nd, 3rd place: 60 points

2) Over 4th, 5th, 6th, place: 30 points

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6. Direct wins over previously seeded man in the same weight class
 - a) 40 points (if already have a direct win)
 - b) 140 points (if do not have a direct win under II-B1)

C. Tie Breakers

1. Wrestler with the advantage in head on encounters (Varsity or JV)
2. Highest defending Place Winner from NYS tournament of the previous year.
3. Highest defending place winner from Section XI tournament of the previous year.
4. Wrestler with the most direct wins.
5. Wrestler with the most indirect wins.
6. Wrestler with the most wins over seeded men in the same weight.
7. Wrestler with most quality wins points.
8. Wrestler with most varsity wins.
9. Coin toss or names drawn out of the hat.

III. Automatic Bracket - Section XI Tournament

A. Seeding

1. The league champions (and only the league champions) are seeded #1 through #6 as determined by section I-C of the seeding criteria.
2. The leagues, as they are seeded, are given a letter from A to G with the number one seeded league being assigned letter A and the number 6 seeded league assigned G.
3. The remainder of the place finishers falls into a specified slot on the bracket sheet. The numbers represent their place in their league.
4. The league representatives are separated in quarter brackets. No wrestlers from the same league will meet until the semi-finals of the winner's bracket unless there is a scratch from the tournament. In that case, wrestlers from the same league will not meet until the quarterfinal round.

B. Wrestle Backs

1. Competitors who have advanced to the quarterfinal round or have lost in the preliminary round to a semi-finalist are eligible for the wrestle backs.
2. The first four place finishers in the Section XI Tournament will be recognized by Section XI. Place finishers five and six will be recognized by the Suffolk County Wrestling Coaches Association.