HAWAII HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION STATE WRESTLING

Weigh-In Rules

The NFHS Wrestling Rules Book for 2011-12 provides in Rule 4, Section 5, Article 7 - "All contestants (male and female) shall weigh-in wearing a suitable undergarment that completely covers the buttocks and the groin area. Female contestants must also wear a suitable undergarment that covers their breasts. Any contestant who has been authorized to wear an artificial limb, shall weigh-in with the artificial limb." This clarification has been written to ensure that all athletic directors, coaches, wrestlers and officials clearly understand the implication of the new rule. No contestant shall weigh-in without a suitable undergarment (NFHS Wrestling Case Book and Manual for 2011-12, 4.5.7 Situation (b)). This means that scratch weight must be established while wearing a suitable undergarment, and the undergarment(s) shall not be removed in order to make weight. Furthermore, any contestant not wearing suitable undergarment SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO WEIGH-IN (NFHS Wrestling Case Book and Manual for 2011-12, 4.5.7 Situation (c)).

A suitable undergarment may include bras, brief or bikini type undergarments that do not cover the thighs (rev. 6/2012), that cover the buttocks and groin areas. Jock straps, g-strings, thongs and other such underwear that expose the buttocks are prohibited. All garments must provide an opportunity for a suitable skin check without disrobing or adjusting. No weight allowance will be provided at the scales for any article of clothing.

* 2012-13 Rule Book expected to arrive after July 31. Please update rule highlighted in RED if necessary.