

Table Workers Responsibilities

- 1. Always verify the names of the wrestlers when they check in prior to their match.**
- 2. Assign ankle bands by singlet colors during a tournament and for dual meets. You can change the ankle bands and assign the home school red instead of green if it makes it easier for you as an official.**
- 3. The scorekeeper should always circle the first points scored as this will come into play if the match goes to the Ultimate Tiebreaker.**
- 4. Let the Timekeeper know, if they forget to start or stop the clock they need to sound the horn. If a time adjustment is needed they should call you over when there is a break in action.**
- 5. Towel Tapper (If there is one) should come onto the mat with approximately 10 seconds left in the period and count down the last 4 seconds loud enough for the official, wrestlers and both coaches to hear the count.
This is especially important in situations where points are scored in the last seconds of the period. Tell the towel tapper to start counting down from 4, not 5. Five sounds a lot like “time” when it gets very loud in the gym and you certainly want to avoid stopping the match early when there is scoring going on or a pinning combination.**
- 6. In tournaments Officials should always go to the table and verify the correct winner.
Make sure the scorekeeper circles the winner and X’s out the loser. It can cause major problems in a tournament if the wrong wrestler is advanced incorrectly.**
- 7. For new table worker it can be very stressful trying to do their job for the first time.
Be sure to thank your table workers during or after the match.
Good table workers can really make you look good.**