

## HOW TO FOLLOW A POOL TOURNAMENT

A pool tournament is a type of event whereby each wrestler competes against EVERY other wrestler contained within their pool. If there are multiple pools in an individual weight class, the wrestlers will be paired in a subsequent pool and/or placed onto a bracket based upon their initial pool match results for further competition.

Jake's pool tournament is comprised of six rounds of wrestling. However, depending upon the number of wrestlers per weight class, there may be only five rounds wrestled for an individual weight class. For weight classes that contain an odd number of wrestlers, a Bye will be inserted. Wrestlers who receive a bye for a given round do not need to appear to the mat and/or the bullpen area.

**16 wrestler weight class:** wrestlers will be grouped into four pools of four. Wrestlers with the best record from each pool will be placed onto a four-man bracket and will wrestle for 1st-4th place. Wrestlers with the second best record from each pool will be placed onto a four-man bracket and will wrestle for 5th-8th place. Two additional four-man brackets are wrestled for 9th through 12 place and 13th through 16th place. *NOTE: the 9th-15th place matches are wrestled in round 5, while the 1st-7th place matches are wrestled in round 6.*

**12 wrestler weight class:** wrestlers will be grouped into four pools of three. The top two wrestlers from each pool will be placed onto a 8 man bracket. The winners of the quarterfinal matches will wrestle for 1st-4th place. The losers of the quarterfinal matches will wrestle for 5th-8th place. The remaining wrestlers will be placed into a consolation pool for further competition.

**10 wrestler weight class:** wrestlers will be grouped into two pools of five. Wrestlers with the best record from each pool will compete for 1st place. Wrestlers with the second best record from each pool will wrestle for 3rd place. This process is repeated up to a 9th place match.

**8 wrestler weight class:** wrestlers will be grouped into two pools of four. The wrestlers with the top two best records from each pool will be placed onto a four-man bracket and will wrestle for 1st-4th place. The remaining wrestlers will be placed onto a separate four-man bracket and will wrestle for 5th-8th place. *NOTE: there are no matches wrestled in round 1.*

**6 or less wrestlers per weight class:** each wrestler will compete against every other wrestler in the weight class. Placement will be determined manually after the completion of the last pool round. *NOTE: there are no matches wrestled in round 1.*