

designated National Championships. These three (3) championships must all occur in the same year and each athlete must have a minimum of one (1) match wrestled at each of these tournaments. The five (5) designated events are: Winter Youth Nationals, Spring Youth Nationals, Folkstyle World Championships, Eastern Grand Nationals (folkstyle portion of this event), or Western Grand Nationals (folkstyle portion of this event). The Belt is paid for by the AAU National Wrestling Committee.

4. **Grand National Triple Crown Award**

- a. An Award will be presented to any wrestler that participates and places first (1st) in all three (3) styles of competition at the current year Grand Nationals.
- b. Each athlete must have a minimum of one (1) match wrestled in each style offered to be eligible.
- c. This award will be presented to any wrestler in the Tot, Bantam, Midget, Novice, Schoolboy, Cadet, and Elite Divisions only.

5. **All American**

- a. For an athlete to be considered an AAU Wrestling All American he or she must finish in the Top Six (6) at either the AAU Folkstyle World Championships or the AAU Grand Nationals. All American honors are awarded to those who win Gold or Silver Medals at the AAU Junior Olympic Games and the AAU Scholastic Duals. All American honors awarded at the Scholastic Duals and the AAU Junior Olympic Games will include an All American patch.

vi. **Protest Procedures**

1. Protest filing procedure is as follows:

- a. Protest must be of a technical (rule violation), not of a judgmental nature.
- b. Protest must be submitted to the Tournament Technical Committee within thirty (30) minutes of the end of the alleged violation.
- c. The written protest must contain the following information:
 - i. Names of contesting wrestlers or persons involved, including their Division and weight class.
 - ii. Mat number or its identification if the mats are not numbered.
 - iii. Names of the officials who observed the alleged violation.
 - iv. Nature of the protest, including particular rules violated.
 - v. Desired settlement or adjustment.
- d. A \$50.00 refundable deposit, if protest is upheld, is required at the time of the protest filing. If the protest is denied, the deposit is retained by the Tournament Committee.
- e. An un-appealable final decision will be rendered by the Tournament Technical Committee, as soon as possible, before the next round in that weight class. A written report of all protests, including their results, will be forwarded to the AAU National Wrestling Chair.
- f. **Protest (challenge) of an Illegal Athlete**
You must file a protest (challenge) of an illegal wrestler before the end of the first (1st) day of competition.

vi. **Entry Fees**

1. **National Individual Event and Entry Fees**

- a. Individual Event fee - from the entry fee, (individual event fee set below) per athlete will be sent to the national headquarters. The check should be made