## **Double Elimination Brackets Usage Instructions**

Please feel free to use these bracket sheets. GT All Sports makes no guarantee to the accuracy of these sheets.

Prior to starting any round, make sure that no asterisk (**\*\***) is present on any of the matches. If an asterisk is present then on that match check to see if the contestants on that match have not all ready meet prior to competing for the third place. Adjust accordingly for all proceeding matches.

These bracket sheets accommodate for bracketing of between 2 and 20 Competitors. If you have more than 20 Competitors then you might want to create Flights where you divide the total number of Competitors by using two appropriate bracket sheets and run those sheets down to the final 4 where you would then combine those two brackets into a new bracket sheet for the final 8.

Understanding the definitions below should make your usage of these sheets easy to understand and use. GT All Sports will be working on developing computerized sheets in the future that have logic and placement built within.

## **Definitions:**

Rounds are signified letting you know that by completing only one round at a time and then going to other weight classes that the competitors will not be faced with competing twice in a row without much rest and allows more of an opportunity to rest between matches within that same weight class. Rounds that may have a conflict will be marked as such, "Round #".

Many times in larger competitions the brackets will be run through multiple rounds until they get to the final 4 where all proceeding matches are for  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$ , or  $3^{rd}$  place. This could also be classified as the Preliminaries and then the Finals.

Numbers 1), 2), 3) etc. are line numbers.

E = Entry Number such as the First name of person in a class = E#1. This provides for mixing starting matches of competitors.

W/L = Abbreviation completed by placing "W" for winner and "L" for losers

M#1 = Match # 1

(Winners) = Both persons in that match have not received a loss in this bracket at this time. Within this match one of the competitors will be a winner (W) and one will be a loser (L)

(Losers) = Both competitors have received one loss and during this match one competitor will be eliminated. The winner will advance and the loser will be placed on lowest finished position available.

(Mixed) = One competitor has one loss and one competitor has no losses.

(Double Mixed) = This classification occurs after a mixed match in which the winner going into the match takes the loss and then they go to the final match where they both have one loss. Winner of that match takes  $1^{st}$  Place and the loser takes  $2^{nd}$ .

WM1 or LM1 = is read Winner Match 1 or Loser Match 1; this or any combination number following is part of a placement line telling you if that person won or lost their last match and their last match number.

W>3 – L>4 = This follows the results of a particular match and tells the score keeper to place the Winner of the match on line 3 and the Loser of the match to line 4. W>Buy>## indicates that the advancing competitor receives a buy of the next round/s to the listed line number.