



2012-13 NFHS WRESTLING RULES INTERPRETATIONS

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NFHS Wrestling Rules Interpretation:

SITUATION 1 (7-6-2, Penalty Chart):

Wrestler A is warned for stalling right after the first period has started. Later in the first period, Wrestler A is penalized for an illegal hold/maneuver and Wrestler B is awarded one match point (First Penalty). At the start of the second period, Wrestler A is penalized again for an illegal hold/maneuver and Wrestler B is awarded one match point (Second Penalty). Later in the second period, Wrestler A is penalized for stalling in the defensive position and Wrestler B is awarded two match points (Third Penalty). Wrestler B will now have the choice of position on the next restart since the two-point penalty was for stalling. (a) Before the second period ends, Wrestler A takes his/her second injury time-out. (b) Between the second and third periods, Wrestler A takes his/her second injury time-out. Wrestler B was to have his/her choice of position at the start of the third period. **RULING:** In (a), Wrestler B will have his/her choice of position on the restart after the injury time-out plus Wrestler B will have his/her choice of position on the next restart after that. In (b), Wrestler B will have his/her choice of position at the beginning of the third period plus on the next two restarts – one for the two-point stalling penalty and one for the second injury time-out.

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Clarification: (Underlining shows additions; ~~strikethrough~~ shows deletions.)

Page 42, PENALTY CHART (*Stalling):

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Rules change dealing with stalling in the Penalty Chart is correct. For example, if the third penalty on Wrestler A, following the progression on the Penalty Chart, happens to be stalling, Wrestler B is awarded two match points and will have the choice of position on the next restart. The choice of position on the next restart only applies if the third penalty (2 points) is for stalling. When a stalling call results in a 2-point penalty being awarded, the opponent will have the choice of position on the next restart. The choice of position on the next restart would be carried over to the sudden victory period in overtime if there is no restart prior to overtime. Stalling shall be penalized in accordance with the Penalty Chart. (7-6-2)

2012-13 NFHS Wrestling Case Book Clarifications: (Underlining shows additions; ~~strikethrough~~ shows deletions.)

Page 52, *7.6.2 SITUATION B: Wrestler A is warned for stalling in the first period. In the second period, Wrestler A is penalized for an illegal hold and Wrestler B is awarded one match point. Later in the second period, Wrestler A is penalized for a technical violation for locked hands and Wrestler B is awarded one match point. In the third period, Wrestler A is penalized for stalling and Wrestler B is awarded two match points since this is the third penalty on Wrestler A. Wrestler B will now have choice of position on the next restart. ~~during the third period.~~ **RULING:** Correct. The choice of position on the next restart for Wrestler B ~~can~~ cannot be carried over to the sudden victory

period in overtime. Stalling shall be penalized in accordance with the Penalty Chart. (Penalty Chart)

Pages 58-59, *8.2.1 SITUATION I: Wrestler A takes his/her second injury time-out at the conclusion of the second period and his/her opponent (Wrestler B) already has choice at the beginning of the third period. Wrestler B will have choice to start the third period and will now also have the added choice at the first restart after the beginning of the third period. (a) After the third period has started, Wrestler B takes his/her second injury time-out and the match is stopped; or (b) during the third period there is no restart for Wrestler B, so does his/her choice on the first restart carry over to overtime?; or (c) Wrestler B takes the top position to start the third period. After the third period has started and the wrestlers go out of bounds, Wrestler B chooses the neutral position on the first restart. **RULING:** In (a), Wrestler B will still get the choice on the restart. ~~Now Then~~ on the next restart in the third period only, Wrestler A will get the choice. In (b), Yes, the choice of position on the next restart for Wrestler B can be carried over to the sudden victory period in overtime. ~~No, since there was no restart in the third period, Wrestler B does not get to carry over the choice to overtime. The choice on the first restart only applies to the third period.~~ In (c), This is permissible by rule and no escape point is earned by Wrestler A as this is a choice on the ~~first~~ next restart by Wrestler B.