

NFHS Clarification Requests
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2 point stalling penalty situations

Q1: In the second period Wrestler A is penalized for stalling and Wrestler B is properly awarded 2 points. Suppose that there are no restarts for the remainder of the second period. Suppose Wrestler A is scheduled to have choice to START the 3rd period.

What is the proper procedure to follow? (a) Wrestler A keeps his choice to start the 3rd period, but Wrestler B will have choice of position on the next, if any, restart or (b) Wrestler B will be awarded choice to start the 3rd period?

A: (B) – Wrestler B will be awarded choice to start the 3rd period.

Q2: What if a two point stalling point is awarded to Wrestler A and Wrestler B takes his/her second injury time out in **a)** simultaneously, **b)** in the same period prior to a restart occurring **c)** at the end of either the first or second period, **d)** at the end of the third period or **e)** at the end of any of the overtime periods.

A(a): Cannot happen! Stalling occurs while the clock is running - the injury time-out stops the clock. You cannot call stalling when the clock is stopped.

A(b): Wrestler A on first restart - Wrestler A on second restart. Wrestler A is not being penalized for stalling.

A(c), (d) & (e): This is all spelled out and covered in the 2012-13 NFHS Wrestling Case Book under the second injury time-out.

Q3: Does the two-point stalling penalty supersede a second injury time out situation from the opponent?

A: No

Q4: Please confirm that we, as officials, are to follow the second injury time out protocol as prescribed verbatim in the NFHS Wrestling rules book, Rule 8-2-1a through 8-2-1j for the two-point stalling penalty situations. *Specifically, choice of position if the situation carries over from the end of the third period to the start of the first overtime period.*

A: Yes, that is correct.