



# 2013-14 NFHS WRESTLING RULES INTERPRETATIONS

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## 2013-14 NFHS Wrestling Rules Book Clarification

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

### Page 47, Rule 9-2-2b:

**ART. 2 . . .** In dual-meet competition, if teams have identical scores, the following team tie-breaking system shall be used to determine the winner. . . .

b. The team whose opposing head coach has been penalized the greater number of team points for coach misconduct shall be declared the winner. . . .

## 2013-14 NFHS Wrestling Case Book and Manual Clarifications

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### Page 25, 5.11.2 SITUATION G:

Wrestler A has Wrestler B in a pinning situation and the referee is holding three near-fall points when B grasps A's ear guards. The referee removes the hand, but allows action to continue to give A the opportunity to secure the fall. If (a) time expires or (b) the action is stopped due to the fact the wrestlers went out of bounds, how many points should be awarded? **RULING:** Whether the period ends or an out of bounds situation occurs, the point awards would be the same. The referee shall award three ~~four~~ points for the near-fall and one point for grasping the ear guards. The offending wrestler shall not be allowed to profit from illegal action. (6-4-6; 7-3-2)

**Page 26, 5.11.4 SITUATION C:** In a dual meet, Wrestler A is ahead by a score of 14 to 4 with both wrestlers on their feet. Wrestler A is able to initiate a takedown on Wrestler B straight into a pinning situation. The referee completes the five-second near-fall count. Before B can be pinned he/she reverses A directly into a pinning situation and A bites B. **RULING:** When this situation occurs, scoring must be reconstructed as it actually occurred. Wrestler A won the match by technical fall but was disqualified from the dual meet due to the flagrant misconduct which occurred after the match was over. The five team points earned by Wrestler A from the technical fall are removed. Three more team points will also be deducted from Team A. Even though Wrestler A has earned a technical fall, he/she loses the match due to flagrant misconduct and is disqualified from the dual meet. Three team points would be deducted from Team A. Wrestler B is the winner due to the flagrant misconduct by A, which occurred during the match. (5-12-2c; 7-4-3)

**Pages 64-65, 9.2.3 SITUATION C:** In the finals of a wrestling tournament the two wrestlers are both disqualified from the match because of a double stalling call. How would this affect the results of team scoring? **RULING:** If an individual qualifies for the finals the wrestler will receive the placement points for second place as long as there is no disqualification from the tournament. In this situation

the two individuals are disqualified from the match but it is not a tournament disqualification, therefore, they would both receive second place points. ~~If this happens in the first round there would be no advancement in either the championship bracket or the consolation bracket.~~ In dual meet competition if this same situation would occur there would be no points earned by either wrestler.