

## **SEQUENCE FOR DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT AN INJURED ATHLETE CAN CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE**

### *Certified Trainer and/or Physician Present*

1. Official stops contest because of injury or illness.
2. Official instructs scoring bench to start clock if appropriate.  
e.g., Injury time, or recovery time.
3. Official beckons coach to examine athlete.
4. If deemed necessary by official or coach, either shall beckon trainer and/or physician to examine athlete.  
(Neither coach nor official can deny trainer and/or physician an opportunity to examine the athlete.)
5. If only a trainer or physician is present, he/she will determine whether or not the athlete can continue.
6. If trainer and physician confer, and there is a difference of opinion, the physician's decision is final.
7. Trainer and/or physician notify the following individuals in the order listed:
  - A. Official  
Note: The official may overrule a coach, trainer, or physician that decides to allow an athlete to continue. He may not, however, overrule a coach, trainer, or physician that decides an athlete should not continue.
  - B. Coach
  - C. Athlete
8. Official notify the following in order listed:
  - A. Opponent and his/her coach.
  - B. Scoring table and/or contest management.

### *No Certified Trainer and/or Physician Present*

1. Official stops contest because of injury or illness.
2. Official instructs scoring bench to start clock if appropriate.  
e.g., Injury time, or recovery time.
3. Official beckons coach to examine athlete.
4. Coaches decide whether or not athlete can continue.  
Note: The official may overrule a coach that has decided to allow an athlete to continue. He may not, however, overrule a coach that has decided an athlete should not continue.
5. If athlete will not continue, official notifies the following in the order listed:
  - A. Coach.
  - B. Athlete.
  - C. Opponent and his/her coach.
  - D. Scoring table and/or contest management.