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NFHS Wrestling Weekly Rule Interpretations

Individual Match Scoring

Rules References: 9-1-5

SITUATION 1: Wrestler B has Wrestler A in a pinning situation, and the official is holding four near-fall points. Wrestler A is no longer in near-fall criteria, but the pinning situation has not ended. Wrestler A indicates an injury, or bleeding occurs and the official stops the match and awards four points for the near-fall.

RULING: This is the correct procedure and rule application by the referee.

COMMENT: Four points are awarded because the action was stopped and Wrestler B was not in near-fall criteria.