



Ohio High School Athletic Association

Sixth Match Placement Policy for One-Day Sectional Tournaments

Per National Federation Rule 1.4.3, no wrestler shall wrestle in more than five matches championship or consolation, excluding forfeits in any one day of competition. **There will not be a Third or Fifth Place match if either wrestler has already wrestled 5 times.**

Per National Federation Casebook -- If one wrestler had wrestled in four matches and the other wrestler in five matches, then the wrestler with four matches would be the winner by forfeit. **The match must be scored by NFHS Rule: The wrestler who has not wrestled 5 times will place Third or Fifth by forfeit! If both wrestlers have wrestled 5 times, there will be no match and no points will be awarded!**

If there is no third-place finisher determined by physical wrestling in the sectional tournament, both wrestlers will advance to the district tournament. The following criteria will be used to determine their placement on the bracket for the district tournament. If the first item listed does not decide the placement, the next item(s) will be considered until a winner has been determined. **If there is no fifth-place finisher determined by physical wrestling in the sectional, the same criteria will be used to determine the alternate.**

1. The wrestler who has been penalized the least number of points for unsportsmanlike conduct throughout the sectional tournament shall be declared the winner of the placement position.
2. If the wrestlers have met previously in the **sectional tournament**, the winner of that match will be the winner of the placement position.

3. **Point values based on the quality of matches wrestled will be added to determine who has the greater number of points.**

| | Points | Total |
|---|--------|-------|
| Win(s) by fall, forfeit, default, or disqualification | 5 | |
| Win(s) by technical fall | 4 | |
| Win(s) by major decision | 3 | |
| Win(s) by regular decision | 2 | |
| Loss(es) by regular decision | 1 | |
| Loss(es) by a major decision | ½ | |

The wrestler with the greater total points will be the winner of the placement position.

4. The wrestler who has won by the most falls/defaults/disqualifications during the sectional tournament shall be the winner of the placement position.
5. The wrestler who has won by the most technical falls through the sectional tournament shall be the winner of the placement position.
6. The wrestler with the most wins by major decisions through the sectional tournament shall be the winner of the placement position.
7. The wrestler who has scored the greater number of items listed below will be the winner of the placement position. These shall be considered **one line at a time** until a winner is determined.
 - a. Greater number of near falls
 - b. Greater number of takedowns
 - c. Greater number of reversals
 - d. Greater number of escapes
 - e. Penalized the least for stalling
 - f. Warned the least for stalling.
8. If all items listed (items 1-7) fail to determine a winner, the tournament manager will use a coin flip to determine the winner of the placement position.