

THE SECOND INJURY TIME-OUT

Rule Interpretations
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What should be called and what choices are offered after the following second injury time-out situations for *Wrestler A*:

1. After the second period of the regulation match when **Wrestler A** had choice the second period:

Wrestler B will have choice to start the third period and choice of position at the start of all overtime periods if the match goes to overtime.

2. After the third period of the regulation match and match is tied:

Wrestler B will have choice of position at the start of the Sudden Victory period and the start of the remaining overtime periods (tiebreakers).

3. After the one-minute overtime period with match tied:

Wrestler B will have choice of position at the start of the remaining overtime periods (tiebreakers).

4. After the first tiebreaker period when **Wrestler A** had choice the first tiebreaker period:

Wrestler B will have choice of position at the start of the remaining overtime periods (tiebreakers).

5. After the second tiebreaker with match tied:

Wrestler B will have choice at the start of the remaining overtime periods (tiebreakers).

6. Both **Wrestler A** and **Wrestler B** ask for second injury time-out simultaneously anytime during the match:

The rules book really does not address this situation. I would say that the referee should try and make a judgment call as to who to who took the injury time-out first (*Wrestler A* lets say). Now the opponent takes a 2nd injury time-out (*Wrestler B*). In this situation, the person who was granted the 2nd injury time-out last (*Wrestler B*) will not have choice and thus *Wrestler A* would have choice on the restart and at the start of each period for the remainder of the match.