

**United World Wrestling**  
**Rule Changes for April 2018**

**Greco-Roman**

**Negative Wrestling**

- Blocking, grabbing and interlocking fingers, head down, offensive pushing, avoiding open wrestling, unsportsmanlike behaviour - attention first, then caution + 2
- Minor Brutality, fleeing the mat and fleeing the hold, defensive pushing at the face
  - direct caution + 2
- Fleeing the mat/hold - standing -caution + 2 - restart in standing
- Fleeing the mat/hold - par terre -caution + 2 - restart in par terre

**Leg fouls**

Offensive - 1<sup>st</sup> time - attention

2<sup>nd</sup> time - caution + 1 - restart in standing

Defensive - 1<sup>st</sup> time - Caution +2. If that action scored points, then these points awarded first then the caution + 2. Restart in position where foul occurred

2<sup>nd</sup> time - disqualification from the match

**Passivity**

- 3 scenarios where referee team needs to simulate the scoring.
  - o Score is 0:0
  - o Score is tied and one wrestler is clearly more active
  - o One wrestler has the lead and his opponent acts too defensively

Criteria for passivity - MUST be confirmed by the Mat Chairman

- Evading without counterattack
- Simulated actions
- Faked attacks
- Not able to control the centre
- No hooking despite good position
- Grabbing the wrists without an attack
- Wrestling in the passivity zone
- Fixing opponent in the red zone
- Defensive wrestling only

**Passivity Procedure**

- Time limits removed - no longer must wait until 2:00
- One ordered par terre period per period - maximum 2 per match
- Any further passivity - 1 point without stopping the match
- Same process with cadet and school boys

## **Freestyle**

- Caution and 1 points
- Blocking, grabbing fingers, head down - attention
- Brutality, fleeing the mat and fleeing the hold - direct caution + 1
- Fleeing the mat/hold - standing -caution + 1 - restart in standing
- Fleeing the mat/hold - par terre -caution + 1 - restart in par terre

## **All styles**

Fleeing the mat in danger position - GR and FS - caution + 2, restart in par terre

Severe Brutality - Red card - Elimination from the tournament and report submitted to UWW by Referee Delegate.

## **Referee consultation**

No video allowed. They can only speak and must come up with a decision. Video only allowed to be watched during challenge. During this process, Mat Chairman and delegate watch the video.