Some Random reminders rules 4 and5



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"be in the right position when making the call" By Mike Nagy m_nagy@yahoo.com 4-1-1 Field fit for play

Home coach shall decide whether the grounds and conditions are suitable for starting the game

After the game starts... umpires are deciders on fit for play during that and subsequent games in double headers

4-1-2 ground rules

Home team manager defines ground rules at pre-game meeting –

- Defining out of play on dugouts is the main one
- Ground rules do not supersede a rules book rule

If special circumstances apply (say spectators close to playing field) - both team must agree on special circumstances. If both teams do not agree umpire shall formulate ground rules.

4-1-3 lineup cards
Submitted to umpire-in-chief
(plate umpire in our 2 man
system)

- Should be in duplicate (2 copies one copy given to other team)

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Each team MUST start with at least 9 players

TRUE - however you can continue with less than 9

All eligible substitutes must be listed on the lineup card FALSE – no reference to substitutes listed on the card

Player's name is what makes them official on the roster

True - the player's name not the number must be
correct – though hopefully both are (see 7.1) all
references to name not number

4.1.3.b coach confirmation on equipment

At pregame get a verbal confirmation from the head coach his team will use proper equipment

Entering box with illegal bat –

Batter is out – coach restricted to bench

Subsequent – batter is out coach ejected



4-2 Ending a regulation game

- Situations you halt the game due to weather or darkness is it suspended or over -
- Suspended = game to be played from where you left off never restart a game

<u>Innings 1,2,3,4</u> – suspend game

<u>Inning 5</u> - if team behind has not completed its turn at bat – suspend game - otherwise game over if home leads in bottom of the 5th

If it's the top of 6th or 7th

- -- visitor was ahead coming into inning they WIN
- -- score is tied or visitor scored in top of inning to tie or go ahead then game is suspended
- -- if home team is ahead they win



Suspended games continued...

Note 4.2.3.b does not apply in Ohio – you never revert back to the previous inning score

NOTE - OHSAA does not allow tie games

See examples in OHSAA 2014 preseason BB guide

4-2-2 10 run rule

Applies at all levels Var, JV, 9th middle

The game shall end when the visiting team is behind 10 or more after 4 ½ innings or if either team is 10 runs behind and both team s have had an equal number of at bats

RULE 5 DEAD BALL

- Pitch touches batter or clothing
- Pitch touches runner
- Illegally batted or struck at 2nd time
- Batter enters with illegal bat
- Foul ball touched by fielder whilst foul or touches an object (fence) – including catchers mask
- Interference by runner, the batter or any person
- A fair batted ball touches runner or umpire prior to passing a fielder
- FBB touches spectator
- FBB touches runner after passing one fielder and anther has a chance at the ball
- FBB goes over or under/through or wedges into a fence or lodges in players equipment – or goes out of play

RULE 5 DEAD BALL

- Pitch or thrown ball touched by spectator, intentionally touched by non-playing team member, goes out of play (dead ball area), lodges in umpire or catchers equipment
- Umpire calls "TIME" or handles a live ball
- Fielder after catching a fair or fly ball, leaves the field of play by stepping with BOTH feet, or falling over fence, barrier or dugout
- Infielder intentionally drops a fair fly, line drive or fair bunt with at least first base occupied and less than 2 out (exception is infield fly)
- Balk Or illegal pitch
- Live ball touches designated media area
- Malicious contact
- See chart pg 35

RULE 5 delayed dead ball

- Interference by a batter
- Defensive player (including catcher) obstructs a batter or runner or obstructs the ball thru the use of detached player equipment
- Umpire interferes with catcher attempting to throw
- Any person connected with offensive team call "times" or other commands for purpose of trying to get pitcher to balk
- Anyone who is required to wear helmet deliberately removes it during a live ball situation
- Coach physically assists a runner
- Ball touches illegal glove / mitt
- SEE CHART ON PAGE 36

QUESTIONS about anything?