

Baserunner

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- Runner shall retouch bases in reverse order except when returning after an uncaught foul (ball is dead)
- A runner misses a base he cannot come back to retouch after a following runner has scored
- Leaving too soon -- Rule 8 Sec 2 article 3 (8.2.3) caught batted ball each runner shall touch his base after the ball is caught.

Runner missing a base or leaving too soon cannot return to touch if the ball becomes dead and he is on or beyond the succeeding base –

Runner from first misses second base on his way to third (base hit); ball goes out of play on the throw.

a) He is standing at third -- options

- **award bases - runner cannot go back to second – defense can appeal missed base**

b) He is half way from 2nd to third – options -

award base - he can choose to retouch second base – if he doesn't he can be out on appeal

No Outs R1 on first; B2 hits long fly ball – R1 off on the pitch – is almost to third base when the ball is caught - F8 throws to first but the ball goes out of play . R1 is just at second when the ball goes out of play – what happens?

8.2.5

Grant R1 3rd base - then defense can appeal that runner is not allowed to retouch first base

Batter -Runner is out:

- Interferes with catcher's attempt to field the ball after a 3rd strike
- Hit fair or foul caught by a fielder (definition of caught)
- Intentionally dropped by a fielder
- After hitting or bunting the ball – intentionally contacting the ball with the bat
- Caught third strike – or dropped third and first occupied < 2 outs
- Dropped third – 2 out or <2 and first base open – play made on batter and or – force at any base that applies. (recorded as a strikeout)
- Runs outside three-foot running lane and creates interference –
- Interference caused on a double play attempt
- Dropped third runner gives up by entering the dugout – or with 2 outs all infielders leave the field (this can happen)
- Infield fly rule
- Illegal substitute
- Legal Play made at first base

Runner is out: (rule 8 Section 4 article 1)

- Runs more than 3 feet from direct line between to bases “to avoid being tagged”
- Does not legally slide and causes contact or alters action of fielder
- Does not legally attempt to avoid a fielder making a play on him (eg swiping at the ball)
- Dives over a fielder
- Initiates malicious contact
- Illegal slide or not avoiding fielder on a force play (even if retired)
- Intentionally interferes with a throw or players attempt to field a batted ball (g)
- Touched by fielder with ball in glove or hand while not on a base he has earned
- Does not properly retouch base before tagged by fielder or forced on base (or via appeal)
- Forced at a base by fielder holding ball and touching base with any body part
- Hit by fair ball that has not passed an infielder except the pitcher

Runner is out (continued): (rule 8 Section 4 article 1)

- Runner advancing to home and batter interferes with the play
- Passes previous runner before runner is out
- Stands behind a base to get a running start
- After touching first base, leaves the baseline abandoning effort to touch next base
- Appeal when runner left base too soon or failed to touch base and is beyond succeeding base when ball declared dead
- Deliberately knocks the ball from fielders hand