

• MROS  
NFHS Rules Refresher  
# 2

1. B1 receives ball four and proceeds to first base. The first base coach request an is granted a time out as B1 touches first base. Runner R2 who is occupying first base at the time of the walk to B1. R2 remains in the area of first base to take part in the conversation with the coach. Following the time out Runner R2 proceeds to second base. Is there any problem with this procedure.        Yes                                2.63.1

2. In the second inning, player number 4, L. Brown bats and reaches first base. The opposing head coach informs the umpire that the player on first base is listed as number 21 on the line up card. The umpires discover that the player on first is in fact L. Brown. They correct the number on the line up card. Honest mistake by the coach and proceed with the next batter. The umpires were: Incorrect 3.1.3

3. S1 replaces F4 but S1 has no re-entry eligibility. A pitch has been thrown when the discovery is made. This is the second time that F4 has been removed from the game. The umpires allow F4 to replace S1 due to the fact that the substitution should have never been allowed. The umpires were: Incorrect 3.4.1 B

4. The coach for team B request a time out to confer with their pitcher. The coach is not dressed in compliance with the rules. The plate umpire issues a team warning and allows the coach to speak with the pitcher. The umpire was : Incorrect 3.5.3 C

5. With two out in the bottom of the seventh inning and the score tied at 5-5, B2 hits a towering drive over the right field fence. While the ball is in flight, the third base coach pushes runner R1 back towards third base. The ball exits the park. The umpires rule no runner assistance due to the fact that the ball became dead when it went over the fence therefore runner R1 gained no advantage. The umpires were: Incorrect 3.5.4 B

6. The home coach, while his team is on defense, turns a bucket upside down and sits partially outside his dugout. The umpires allow the coach to sit there but warn him that he must move if the ball is in the area of the dugout. The umpires were: Incorrect 3.6.6 E

7. With first base open. Batter B1 swings and misses at strike three. The catcher drops the third strike. Batter B1 dejectedly starts the long walk back to the dugout. The catcher returns the ball to the pitcher. Half way to the dugout B1 realizes that the third strike was dropped and sprints to first base. The defensive coach appeals to the umpire that B1 had given up and should be ruled out. The umpires confer and rule B1 out for giving up following the third strike. The umpires were: Incorrect 8.1.1 A

8. With runners R1 and R2 on first and second base respectively, batter B3 hits a sharp ground ball to F6. As F6 attempts to field the ball runner R1 makes contact with the defensive player F6. The umpires rule R1 out and declare that, in their judgment, B3 could have been thrown out at first base. The umpires call B3 out and require R2 to return to first base because the ball became dead when the interference occurred. The umpires were: Incorrect 8.6.10 A

9. R1 is on third and R2 on second. B3 swings at the pitch, F2's mitt is contacted by B3's bat. R2 in the process of advancing interferes with F6's attempt to field the batted ball. Even though there was contact, F6 successfully throws out B3. R1 scores on the play. Since the obstruction is a delayed dead ball situation, the umpires allow R1 to score, they award B3 first base on the obstruction call and call runner R2 out on the interference call. The umpires were: Incorrect 8.6.10 G

10. The penalty for the first unreported substitute is, the player is removed from the game, a warning is given to the head coach and any subsequent unreported substitutes shall be removed from the game.  
Incorrect 3.6.7 A & B

11. A player enters the batters box wearing a cracked helmet. The plate umpire rules the player out and issues a team warning.  
The plate umpire was: Incorrect 3.6.1

12. Jones runs for the catcher in the second inning. Later in the game Smith enters the game and runs for the catcher. Neither runner has played in the game prior to running. The umpires allow two different courtesy runners to run for the catcher. The umpires were: Correct 8.9.6 A

13. Pitcher B2, having been removed from the game in the fifth inning returns to the lineup and bats in the bottom of the sixth inning. B2 singles. Runner R2 is a courtesy runner for the pitcher B2. R2 advances to third base where she is substituted for by pinch runner S1. S1 scores putting her team ahead 4-3. In the top of the seventh inning B2 returns to the mound and finishes the game. This substitution pattern is legal. Incorrect 8.9.6 F

14. In the bottom of the sixth inning L. Jones reports to the plate umpire and enters the game as the DP. Jones has not participated in the game up to this point. Jones name is entered in the bottom of the batting order as a legal player. Incorrect 3.3.6 A

15. During the pre game conference, team A is gathered in the outfield performing warm up stretches. The plate umpire requests that team A return to the area of the dugout because the process of starting the game has begun.  
The umpire was: Incorrect 2.14.2 B

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