

MROS
NFHS Rules Refresher
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1. When calling balls and strikes, allow the ball to travel through the strike zone and make your call as the ball is striking the glove/mitt of the catcher. Incorrect Umpires Manual The Pitch #3
2. When checking with your partner on a check swing, the plate umpire should step out from behind home plate and ask the base umpire with the best angle:
 - a) did she go, with the mask remaining on if they are sure of the call or,
 - b) did she go ? with the mask off if they are not sure or,
 - c) remove the mask ? point to their partner and ask, " did she swing" or "did she go" ? C Umpires Manual Plate Mechanics D 4
3. At the start of the third inning the pitcher, on the way to the mound, request the ball in play be switched. The plate umpire, who is standing near circle, hands the extra balls to the pitcher and allows her to make her choice. This procedure is: Incorrect Plate Mechanics Ball Rotation
4. When calling fair and foul balls. On foul ball calls raise your hands above your head, verbally call out foul ball and signal foul ball with the appropriate hand. When indicating the ball is fair verbally call out fair, and point to the fair side of the foul line, there is no need to raise your hands above your head on a fair ball call.
Incorrect Plate Mechanics Movement # 3
5. When umpiring the bases, always find the base it's the one thing that will not move. Finding the base is imperative to getting the call right. Incorrect Base Umpire Watch the Ball
6. Jurisdiction of the umpires ends when the plate umpire leaves the confines of the playing field. Incorrect 10.2
7. Umpires working the plate are required to wear a throat protector that is part of or attached to the mask. Correct 10.4.1
8. The coach is required to report every substitute prior to their entry into the game. Incorrect 2.5.2 & 2.32.1
9. A3 slides into second base attempting to break up a double play. The force of A3's slide carries her beyond the base where she makes contact with F6 who is in the act of catching a throw from F4. F6 is required to alter her stride in order to tag second base and is unable to complete the potential double play. The umpire rules no interference on the slide because A3 made legal contact with the base, did not raise her sliding leg above the knees of the defensive player F6 or intentionally impede the movement of F6. The umpire's ruling is: Incorrect 2.5.2 & 2.32.1

10. Courtesy runner R3 runs for the pitcher, who has hit a single, in the top of the seventh inning. After two outs, courtesy runner R3 has made it to third base. The coach re enters the pitcher for courtesy runner R3 because she is a faster runner and can possibly score on a passed ball or error. This offensive replacement is: Illegal 8.9.6

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