

**NEWBURYPORT UMPIRES ASSOCIATION 2010 ASA TAKE HOME TEST**  
**CIRCLE WHETHER THE ANSWER IS TRU OR FALSE**

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- T) (F) ASA - A PITCHED BALL THAT HITS THE GROUND BEFORE HOME PLATE AND SWUNG AT IS CALLED A STRIKE.
- T) (F) ASA - A DROPPED BALL BY THE PITCHER, WITHIN THE CIRCLE, IS A BALK.
- T) (F) ASA - IN FAST PITCH, CATCHER MUST REMAIN IN BOX UNTIL PITCHER RELEASES THE BALL.
- T) (F) ASA - A FOUL TIP MAY FIRST TOUCH THE CATCHER'S CHEST PROTECTOR THEN CAUGHT IN MITT.
- T) (F) ASA - INFIELD FLY MAY BE CALLED IF SHORTSTOP IS BACKING UP WITH BACK TO HOME PLATE
- T) (F) ASA - OBSTRUCTION IS THE ACT OF THE OFFENSIVE PLAYER OBSTRUCTING THE DEFENSIVE PLAYER.
- T) (F) ASA - PITCHER MAY USE TWO REVOLUTIONS OF THE ARM ON THE WINDMILL PITCH.
- T) (F) ASA - PITCHER MAY THROW TO A BASE WHILE BALL IS ALIVE AND IN CONTACT WITH THE PITCHING PLATE.
- T) (F) ASA - IT IS A "NO PITCH" IF BALL SLIPS FROM PITCHER'S HAND DURING WINDUP OR THE BACKSWING
- T) (F) ASA - IT IS A DEAD BALL IF BATTER SWINGS AT A PITCH THAT FIRST HITS THE GROUND.
- T) (F) ASA - AN UMPIRE WILL SUSPEND PLAY IF A FAIR BATTED BALL HITS HIM PRIOR TO PASSING A FIELDER.
- T) (F) ASA - RUNNER MAY ADVANCE ONCE THE BALL LEAVES THE PITCHER'S HAND.

**THE FOLLOWING SECTION IS THE MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS ASA SECTION**  
**CIRCLE ALL THE ANSWERS THAT YOU THINK MAY APPLY (CAN BE MORE THAN 1)**

- .3) R2 IS ON SECOND AND R1 ON FIRST WITH NO OUTS. B1 HITS A POP UP IN FROT OF F3. THE UMPIRE PROPERLY DECLARES AN INFIELD FLY. HOWEVER, F3 MISJUDGES THE BALL, WHICH FALLS UNTOUCHED IN FAIR TERRITORY ABOUT 15 FEET BEFORE FIRST BASE. THE BALL THEN BOUNCES AND STRIKES B1 IN FAIR TERRITORY. R2 ADVANCES TO THIRD AND R1 ADVANCES TO SECOND AFTER B1 IS HIT BY THE BALL.
  - A. B1 IS OUT ON THE INFIELD FLY
  - B. B1 IS OUT FOR INTERFERENCE
  - C. THE BALL IS LIVE AND IN PLAY
  - D. THE BALL IS DEAD WHEN IT STRIKES B1
  - E. R2, THE RUNNER CLOSEST TO HOME, IS OUT
  - F. R2 IS RETURNED TO SECOND BASE
  - G. R1 IS RETURNED TO FIRST BASE
  
- .4) R1 IS ON FIRST BASE WITH ONE OUT. B1 HITS A LINE DRIVE THAT DEFLECTS OFF THE PITCHER'S PLATE AND ACCIDENTLY STRIKES R1, WHO IS RUNNING TOWARDS SECOND BASE IN FRONT OF F4
  - A. R1 IS NOT OUT BECAUSE THE BALL IS DEFLECTED INTO R1
  - B. R1 IS OUT ONLY IF THE UMPIRE IS POSITIVE THAT AN OUT WAS PREVENTED ON THE PLAY
  - C. THE BALL REMAINS ALIVE
  - D. THE BALL IS DEAD
  - E. R1 IS OUT
  - F. B1 IS AWARDED FIRST BASE

- 5) R3 IS ON THIRD AND R1 ON FIRST WITH ONE OUT. B4 HITS A FOUL FLY BALL NEAR THE THIRD-BASE LINE. R3 INTERFERES WITH F1 CAUSING HER TO DROP THE BALL.
- THE BALL IS DEAD
  - B4 IS OUT
  - R1 IS OUT
  - R3 IS OUT
  - A FOUL STRIKE IS CHARGED TO B4
- 5) AFTER DRAWING A BASE ON BALLS, B1 OVERRUNS FIRST BASE BEFORE IMMEDIATELY RETURNING TO THE BASE.
- B1 IS OUT IF TAGGED WHILE OFF FIRST BASE
  - IT IS LEGAL FOR B1 TO OVERRUN FIRST BASE
  - IT IS LEGAL FOR B1 TO OVERSLIDE FIRST BASE
  - B1 IS OUT WHEN TAGGED AFTER OVERSLIDING FIRST BASE
  - B1 IS OUT IMMEDIATELY FOR LEAVING THE BASE
  - B1 MUST TURN TOWARD FOUL TERRITORY TO AVOID BEING PUT OUT
  - B1 IS ALWAYS IN JEOPARDY IF B1 TURNS TOWARD FAIR TERRITORY WHEN RETURNING TO FIRST BASE
- 7) R3 SCORES ON A PLAY BEFORE THE THIRD OUT IS MADE. NO RUN CAN SCORE WHEN THE THIRD OUT IS THE RESULT OF:
- ANY CONTINUOUS ACTION DOUBLE PLAY
  - THE BATTER-RUNNER BEING RETIRED BEFORE TOUCHING FIRST BASE
  - A FORCE PLAY
  - ANY RUNNER BEING DECLARED OUT FOR MISSING A BASE
  - ANY RUNNER BEING DECLARED OUT FOR ANY BASE RUNNING INFRACTION
  - ANY APPEAL PLAY
- 3) FAST PITCH ASA SOFTBALL. THE BALL BECOMES DEAD IMMEDIATELY WHEN:
- A BATTER IS TOUCHED BY A PITCH AT WHICH SHE SWINGS
  - A BASERUNNER INTENTIONALLY REMOVES HER HELMET WHILE ACTIVELY RUNNING THE BASES
  - THE BATTER-RUNNER VIOLATES THE THREE-FOOT-LANE RULE
  - THE CATCHER DROPS A TIPPED BALL
  - THE PITCHER COMMITS AN ILLEGAL PITCH
  - A RUNNER LEAVES HER BASE TOO SOON ON A PITCH
  - AN INFIELDER INTENTIONALLY DROPS AN INFIELD FLY
  - OFFENSIVE INTERFERENCE OCCURS
- 9) B1 SWINGS AND CONTACTS THE BALL THAT GOES DIRECTLY TO F2'S GLOVE.
- THIS IS A FOUL TIP WHEN CAUGHT IF THE BALL NEVER RISES ON ITS WAY FROM THE BAT TO THE CATCHER'S GLOVE
  - THAT IS A FOUL TIP WHEN CAUGHT UNLESS THE BALL RISES ABOVE THE BATTER'S HEAD
  - THE BALL IS LIVE IF LEGALLY CAUGHT BY F2
  - THE BALL IS DEAD ON A FOUL TIP
- 0) R2 IS ATTEMPTING TO SCORE ON A HIT BY B1 TO RIGHT FIELD. F2 RECEIVES THE THROW FROM F9 ABOUT FIVE FEET UP THE THIRD-BASE LINE AND IS WAITING TO MAKE A TAG. R2 CRASHES INTO F2, DISLODGING THE BALL.
- THE BALL IS DEAD
  - R2 IS DECLARED OUT
  - R2 IS AUTOMATICALLY EJECTED FROM THE GAME
  - R2 IS EJECTED IF YOU JUDGE HER ACT TO BE FLAGRANT OR MALICIOUS
  - THAT IS INCIDENTAL CONTACT SINCE F2 WAS IN THE BASELINE

- 1) R3 IS ON THIRD BASE, R2 ON SECOND AND R1 ON FIRST BASE WITH NO OUTS. B1 HITS A GROUND BALL TO F4, WHO THROWS TO F6 AT SECOND BASE TO FORCE OUT R1. HOWEVER, R1 ILLEGALLY INTERFERES AND PREVENTS F6 FROM THROWING TO FIRST BASE. ASSUME THAT R1 WAS OUT AT SECOND BASE ON THE FORCE PLAY.
  - A. THE BALL IS DEAD
  - B. B1 IS OUT FOR INTERFERENCE BY R1
  - C. R1 IS OUT FOR INTERFERENCE
  - D. R3 IS OUT FOR INTERFERENCE BY R1
  - E. R3 IS OUT ONLY IF YOU BELIEVE A DOUBLE PLAY WAS PREVENTED
  - F. B1 IS OUT ONLY IF YOU BELIEVE A DOUBLE PLAY WAS PREVENTED
  
- 2) WITH R1 ON FIRST BASE B1 HITS A SLOW GROUND BALL TO F6. F6'S THROW TO FIRST IS WIDE AND GOES INTO DEAD BALL TERRITORY. R1 HAD REACHED SECOND BASE AT THE TIME OF THE THROW TO FIRST BASE.
  - A. AWARD R1 HOME
  - B. AWARD R1 THIRD BASE
  - C. AWARD B1 SECOND BASE
  - D. AWARD B1 THIRD BASE
  
- 3) FAST PITCH ASA. B1 TOPS A FAIR BALL IN FRONT OF THE PLATE AND DISCARDS HER BAT WHILE RUNNING TO FIRST BASE.
  - A. IF THE DROPPED OR THROWN BAT STRIKES THE BALL IN FAIR TERRITORY, THE BALL IS DEAD AND B1 IS OUT
  - B. IF THE BALL ROLLS UNTOUCHED INTO THE STATIONARY BAT IN FAIR TERRITORY, THE BALL IS ALIVE AND IN PLAY
  - C. IF THE UNTOUCHED BATTED BALL ROLLS AGAINST THE STATIONARY BAT IN FAIR TERRITORY AND SETTLES IN FOUL GROUND, IT IS A FAIR BALL
  - D. B1 IS NOT OUT IF SHE UNINTENTIONALLY DROPS HER BAT IN FAIR TERRITORY AND THE BAT ACCIDENTLY STRIKES THE BALL IN FAIR GROUND
  
- 4) FAST PITCH ASA. PRELIMINARY TO THE DELIVERY:
  - A. BOTH FEET MUST BE IN CONTACT WITH THE PITCHER'S PLATE
  - B. BOTH FEET MUST BE IN CONTACT WITH THE PITCHER'S PLATE AND AT LEAST ONE HALF OF THE PIVOT FOOT MUST BE ON THE TOP OF THE RUBBER
  - C. THE PIVOT FOOT MUST BE ON OR PARTIALLY ON THE TOP OF THE PITCHER'S PLATE AND THE NON-PIVOT FOOT CAN BE ON OR BEHIND THE PITCHER'S PLATE
  - D. ONLY THE PIVOT FOOT MUST BE IN CONTACT WITH THE PITCHER'S PLATE
  
- 5) ABOUT THE THREE-FOOT-LANE INTERFERENCE:
  - A. THE PENALTY FOR THE INFRACTION IS APPLIED ONLY AT THE END OF ALL POSSIBLE PLAYING ACTION
  - B. THE BALL BECOMES DEAD IMMEDIATELY
  - C. IT CAN OCCUR WHEN THE BATTER-RUNNER RUNS TO THE LEFT OF THE FOUL LINE DURING THE LAST HALF OF THE DISTANCE TO FIRST BASE
  - D. IT CAN NEVER OCCUR WHEN THE BATTER-RUNNER IS RUNNING TO THE RIGHT OF THE THREE-FOOT-LANE
  - E. IT IS PRIMARILY THE PLATE UMPIRE'S CALL
  
- 6) ABOUT A HIT BATTER IN ASA FAST PITCH:
  - A. A BATTER WHO "FREEZES" AND REMAINS MOTIONLESS ON A TAILING INSIDE PITCH IS NOT AWARDED FIRST BASE IF SHE DOESN'T ATTEMPT TO AVOID THE BALL
  - B. THE HANDS ARE CONSIDERED PART OF THE BAT WHILE THE BATTER IS HOLDING THE BAT
  - C. THE BALL IS ALWAYS DEAD IF SHE IS STRUCK BY A PITCH SHE IS ATTEMPTING TO HIT
  - D. THE BATTER IS NOT AWARDED FIRST BASE WHENEVER SHE IS HIT BY A STRIKE

7) ABOUT A BATTER HITTING THE BALL A SECOND TIME IN ASA FAST PITCH:

- A. THE BATTER IS NOT OUT IF THE BALL IS CONTACTED A SECOND TIME WHILE THE BATTER IS HOLDING THE BAT WITHIN THE BATTER'S BOX
- B. IN ( A ), THE BALL IS LIVE AND IN PLAY
- C. THE BATTER IS OUT IF AFTER HITTING A BALL SHE AGAIN HITS THE BALL IN FAIR TERRITORY WHILE ONE FOOT IS ON THE GROUND COMPLETELY OUTSIDE THE BATTER'S BOX
- D. IN ( C ), THE BALL IS IMMEDIATELY DEAD
- E. OTHER RUNNERS MUST RETURN TO THE BASES THEY OCCUPIED AT THE TIME OF THE PITCH
- F. WHEN AN ILLEGAL DOUBLE HIT OCCURS, THE PLATE UMPIRE WILL IMMEDIATELY CALL, "DEAD BALL."

8) ASA FAST PITCH. WITH SPEEDY R1 ON FIRST BASE AND NO OUTS, B1 BUNTS THE BALL DOWN THE FIRST-BASE LINE. F3 FIELDS THE BALL AND MOVES TO TAG B1. B1 STEPS BACK TOWARD HOMEPLATE TO AVOID F3'S TAG.

- A. B1 IS OUT
- B. THE BALL IS DEAD IMMEDIATELY
- C. R2 IS ALLOWED TO REMAIN AT SECOND BASE.
- D. R2 IS RETURNED TO FIRST BASE

9) WHEN AN OFFENSIVE RUNNER INTERFERES WITH A FIELDER:

- A. THE BALL IS ALWAYS IMMEDIATELY DEAD
- B. THE BALL IS DELAYED DEAD
- C. AT LEAST ONE OUT IS DECLARED AGAINST THE OFFENSIVE TEAM
- D. THE UMPIRE WILL GIVE THE DELAYED-DEAD-BALL SIGNAL
- E. THE UMPIRE WILL EXTEND BOTH HANDS OVERHEAD TO SIGNAL THE BALL DEAD

0) R1 IS ON FIRST BASE WITH NO OUTS. B1 HITS A GROUND BALL TO F6. F6 TOSSES TO F4 FORCING R1 OUT AT SECOND. BUT F4'S THROW TO FIRST BASE STRIKES R1 WHO IS RUNNING IN THE BASELINE NEAR SECOND BASE.

- A. THE BALL IS LIVE AND IN PLAY
- B. BECAUSE R1 IS ALREADY OUT, B1 IS DECLARED OUT FOR R1'S INTERFERENCE
- C. THE BALL BECOMES DEAD WHEN R1 IS STRUCK WITH THE BALL
- D. B1 IS OUT ONLY IF, IN THE UMPIRE'S JUDGEMENT, R1'S INTERFERENCE PREVENTED A DOUBLE PLAY

1) FAST PITCH ASA. IT IS ALWAYS A DELAYED-DEAD-BALL WHEN:

- A. BATTER INTERFERENCE OCCURS
- B. THREE-FOOT-LANE INTERFERENCE OCCURS
- C. THE BATTER BATS THE BALL ILLEGALLY
- D. AN ILLEGAL PITCH OCCURS
- E. A RUNNER PASSES A PRECEDING RUNNER BEFORE SUCH A RUNNER IS OUT
- F. A FIELDER OBSTRUCTS A RUNNER
- G. THE CATCHER OBSTRUCTS THE BATTER