

## WMUA Softball Case Plays Quiz #1

In each of the following situations you are given at least two possible answers. You are to decide which are correct.

Print and bring copy with your answers to review and discuss at the WMUA umpires meeting during the breakout session for softball umpires.

1. R3 is on third base with one out. B4 hits one-hop smash to F1. F1 holds the ball motionless in pitcher's circle as R3 holds her ground about five feet off third base.
  - a) R3 is out for violating the look-back rule if she doesn't immediately move one way or the other.
  - b) The ball is immediately dead.
  - c) A pitcher who fields a batted ball is initially considered the same as any fielder for purpose of the look-back rule.
  - d) R3 is not in violation of the look-back rule.
  - e) The look-back rule is not in effect until the batter-runner reaches first base.
  
2. R3 is on third base and R1 is on first with no outs. B3 strikes out as R1 attempts to steal second base. B3 interferes with F2's throw to second and R1 is ruled safe.
  - a) The ball is delayed-dead when B3 interferes.
  - b) The ball is immediate dead when B3 interferes.
  - c) B3 is out.
  - d) R1 is out.
  - e) R3 is out.
  - f) R1 is returned to first.
  - g) R3 is returned to third.
  - h) R1 remains at second.
  
3. B1 enters the batter's box with a baseball bat. The plate umpire notices B1 with the baseball bat.
  - a) There is no penalty unless B1 hits the ball.
  - b) B1 is declared out.
  - c) B1 is ejected from the game.
  - d) B1 is disqualified from the game.
  - e) B1's head coach is ejected from the game.
  - f) B1 is restricted to the bench the remainder of the game.
  - g) There is no violation until a pitch is delivered.
  
4. R2 is on second base with one out and a 2-2 count on B1. As F1 begins her delivery to B1, she replants pivot foot in front of the rubber before releasing the ball. The pitch strikes B1.
  - a) Illegal pitch on F1.
  - b) R2 is advanced to third base.
  - c) B1 remains at bat with 2-2 count.
  - d) B1 remains at bat with 3-2 count.
  - e) B1 is awarded first base.
  - f) The ball is dead when pitch strikes B1.

Answers to quiz:

1. c, d, e rule 8-7
2. b, c, e, f rule 8-6-16c (penalty)
3. b, c, e rule 7-4-2 (penalty)
4. a, b, e, f rule 5-1 and 6-1-2c (interpretation)