

WMUA Softball Case Plays Quiz #3

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. How many times can a defensive coach enter the field to confer with his or her pitcher?

- a. If the coach/manager goes to the pitching position a second time in the same inning to confer with the same pitcher, that pitcher must leave the pitching position for the remainder of the game.
- b. If the coach/manager goes to the pitching position a second time in the same inning to confer with the same pitcher, that pitcher must leave the game.
- c. A coach/manager is allowed to go to the pitching position to confer with his pitcher(s) three times in a seven-inning game without penalty.
- d. Any charged conference in excess of three in a seven-inning game will result in the pitcher's removal from the pitching position.
- e. Any charged conference in excess of one in each extra inning will result in the pitcher being removed from the pitching position.
- f. A coach/manager is allowed only one charged conference per inning.

2. R2 is on second base with one out when B3 hits safely to center field. R2 attempts to score as F8 throws toward the plate. F2 is standing about five feet from home plate on the third-base foul line when R2 remains on her feet and deliberately crashes into F2.

- a. R2 is out only if F2 has the ball.
- b. If the crash is malicious, R2 is out regardless whether F2 does or does not have the ball.
- c. R2 is ejected from the game if the crash is malicious or flagrant.
- d. R2 is always ejected from the game when F2 has the ball.
- e. The ball is delayed dead.
- f. The ball is dead immediately.
- g. The ball remains live.
- h. It is legal for R2 to crash into F2 when F2 is in the base line.
- i. B3 is entitled to the base she reached at the time of the collision.
- j. B3 is always returned to first base.
- k. B3 will bat over.

3. Fast pitch. More about the player who is in the starting lineup as a defensive player only:

- a. That player may never play offense.
- b. That player may bat for any player in the batting order.
- c. That player may enter the game in the batting position of the DP as an offensive player.
- d. That player may enter the game in the batting position of the DP as an offensive and defensive player.
- e. That player may play any defensive position.
- f. The role of that player is terminated when that player bats.
- g. The player who is in the starting lineup playing defense only may re-enter the game once.
- h. That player may enter the game in the batting position of the DP as a defensive player only.

4. With R2 on second B2 hits a ground ball to F6. F6 is about to field the ball in the baseline. R2 contacts F6, causing her to misplay the ball.

- a. That is obstruction on F6.
- b. R2 always has priority in the baseline.
- c. F6 has the right to field the ball even while in the baseline.
- d. That is incidental contact and is a no-call.
- e. That is interference on F6.
- f. The ball is immediately dead.
- g. The ball is delayed dead.
- h. The ball is live and in play.
- i. R2 always has priority in the baseline.
- j. That is interference on R2.

5. B1 hits for extra bases. B1 carries the bat past first base before dropping it. Your call is:

- a. Carrying the bat to first base is not, in itself, a violation.
- b. B1 is out and the ball is dead.
- c. B1 is out and the ball remains live and in play.
- d. The play stands but a team warning is issued to the coach of the offensive team.
- e. B1 is ejected at the conclusion of the play.

QUIZ Answers:

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| 1. c, d, e | 3-7-1 |
| 2. b, c, f, i | 3-6-18 pen, 5-1-1e., 8-6-14 pen |
| 3. c, d, e, g | 3-3-6 |
| 4. c, f, j | 8-6-10a |
| 5. a | 2-32 |