



WMUA Softball Case Plays Quiz #4

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. Fast pitch. The Flex player:

- a. Always shares the same position in the lineup as the player for whom she is playing defense.
- b. The Flex player and all subsequent Flex players may leave the game and re-enter the game one time.
- c. May play defense at the same time as the designated player.
- d. May not occupy a position in the batting order while the designated player is batting.
- e. If not listed in the starting lineup automatically becomes the pitcher and the Flex player.
- f. May bat for any one player in the batting order.
- g. Is originally listed in the tenth position in the lineup.
- h. Is completely interchangeable with the designated player.
- i. May become suspended during the game, but the role of the Flex player is never terminated.

2. R2 is on second base when B3 hits a fly ball that's caught by F8. It is discovered that F8 is wearing a first baseman's mitt.

- a. The coach of the offended team may elect to have the entire play nullified.
- b. The coach of the offended team may elect to take the result of the play.
- c. B3 is out on the caught fly ball.
- d. The ball is always dead.
- e. The ball is always delayed dead.
- f. The ball is always live.
- g. The catch is nullified.
- h. F8 is charged with an error.
- i. R2 is awarded third base.
- j. B1 is awarded first base.

- 3. It is possible for the DP and the FLEX to both play defense at the same time, but not possible for the DP and FLEX to play offense at the same time.**
- a. True.
 - b. False.
 - c. Neither a. or b. are correct
- 4. R2 is on second as B2 bats with a two-strike count. B2 starts to swing but tries to hold up because the pitch is low in the dirt.**
- a. The plate umpire must ask the base umpire for help if the catcher requests help.
 - b. The plate umpire should ask the base umpire for help if the catcher requests help.
 - c. The plate umpire may ask the base umpire for help on the swing without a request from the catcher.
 - d. B2 may request the plate umpire to go to the base umpire for help to reverse a strike call.
 - e. The ball is live and in play during a checked swing.
 - f. The base umpire should always automatically signal a strike to the plate umpire on an obvious swing by B2.
 - g. The base umpire should always agree with the plate umpire on checked-swing appeals.
- 5. In the top of the first inning the team at bat informs the umpire that F6 is wearing jewelry.**
- a. F6 is immediately ejected from the game without warning.
 - b. The umpire will issue a team warning to the defensive team.
 - c. After a team warning about wearing jewelry, the next offender on that team and the head coach are restricted to the dugout/bench for the remainder of the game.
 - d. F6 may not play until she removes the jewelry.
 - e. F6 must remove the jewelry only if the umpire determines the jewelry is dangerous.
 - f. Players may wear jewelry.
 - g. Reserve players sitting on the bench may not wear jewelry.
 - h. For subsequent violations after a warning the offender is restricted to the bench for the remainder of the game and their current head coach shall be ejected.
 - i. Medical alert bracelets and necklaces are not considered jewelry.