

2009 AYBS AAA Softball Umpires

Questions

1. The batter swings at a pitch and the ball hits her in the hand.
 - a. Ball is dead
 - b. Ball is live
 - c. Batter takes a base, HBP
2. Line drive to SS is caught while runner is retreating back to 1st base; the ball is thrown out of play.
 - a. Runner is placed on 2nd
 - b. Runner is placed on 3rd
 - c. Runner scores
3. Runner advancing to 2nd is hit by a ball that has deflected off the pitcher's rubber.
 - a. Runner is out
 - b. Dead ball, runner returns to 1st
 - c. Live ball
4. Runner on 2nd gets hit by a ball while advancing to 3rd after ball passed the 3rd baseman and before the SS can make a play on the ball.
 - a. Runner is out
 - b. Live ball, runner is not out
5. Runner while rounding 3rd base, trips and falls into the 3rd base coach.
 - a. Runner is out
 - b. Runner is safe
6. Runner is hit by a batted ball (before it passes an infielder). Hit runner is out and all runners return to the base they were last on.
 - a. True
 - b. False
7. A batted ball has passed an infielder and no other defensive player has a play on the ball when it hits a runner.
 - a. Runner is out
 - b. Runner is not out
8. A runner runs around a fielder attempting to make a play on the ball, to avoid contact with a fielder and the runner is outside the 3 foot base path. The runner is out.
 - a. True
 - b. False
9. A runner is on base and a line drive hits the runner while she is standing on the base. The runner is out.
 - a. True
 - b. False

10. A batter is running to 1st base. The fielder throws the ball and hits her in the back while she is in fair territory.
 - a. The batter is out
 - b. The batter is not out
11. An infielder slaps her fist into her glove to trick a runner into thinking she has caught the ball. Is there a ruling to be made?
 - a. Yes – Obstruction: Attempting to cause the runner to slide creating an unnecessarily unsafe condition. Fielder can be ejected.
 - b. No – it's part of the game, play on.
12. The batter hits a ball which bounces off home plate
 - a. Ball is foul
 - b. Ball is fair
13. The batter hits a ball which rolls into foul territory. It kicks off a rock and comes back into fair territory.
 - a. The ball is dead once it rolls foul
 - b. The ball is live until it comes to a stop or a player touches it or it passes 1st or 3rd base.
14. The batter hits a low line drive which hits 1st base on the fly. The ball bounces off the base and then bounces off the chain link fence in front of the dugout.
 - a. Ball is fair
 - b. Ball is dead
15. The runner intentionally crashes into the fielder who has the ball. As the runner crashes into the runner, she lowers her shoulder. The fielder drops the ball.
 - a. The runner is safe
 - b. The runner is out
16. Bases are loaded and a ground ball is hit to 3rd. The 3rd baseman steps on 3B and throws home. Runner on 3rd advances toward home then retreats to 3rd. Play is made at 3B.
 - a. Force play at 3rd
 - b. Runner must be tagged
17. Ground ball to SS. SS throws to 1B and ball goes out of play.
 - a. Runner is awarded 1B
 - b. Runner is awarded 2B
18. Line drive to SS with runner on 1B. Runner started to run on contact but is retreating when SS throws over the 1st baseman's head and out of play.
 - a. Runner is awarded 1B
 - b. Runner is awarded 2B
 - c. Runner is awarded 3B
19. Line drive to SS with runner on 1B. Runner started to run on contact but is retreating when SS throws to 1st baseman. The retreating runner skips over the white base and lands on the orange base a second before the throw arrives.
 - a. The runner is safe
 - b. The runner is out

20. A player or coach is behind the backstop making positive comments to their team.
 - a. Stop play and instruct the person to return to the bench
 - b. Ignore them
21. A spectator is behind the backstop yelling offensive comments at players, coaches or umpire.
 - a. Stop play and ask for assistance from the head coaches
 - b. Ignore them
22. At your pre-game meeting a coach suggests a change in the rules for this game only. The opposing coach does not agree.
 - a. Instruct both coaches that you will play under the documented rules
 - b. Concede to the coach who made the suggestion and tell the other coach to get over it
23. The sky looks threatening but it is not raining. You hear a rumble of thunder in the distance.
 - a. Stop the game and send everyone home and explain to the coaches that we must wait 30 minutes after the last clap of thunder or lightning sighting.
 - b. Wait for it to start raining or at least until there is some visible lightning.
24. You call a runner out on a close play then realize that the ball has come loose and is lying on the ground.
 - a. Immediately correct your call and put the runner back on the base if she wandered off because of the out call
 - b. Once you called the runner out, they are out
25. The batter hits the ball. She takes a baby step toward 1st but is clearly still in the batter's box when the ball hits her.
 - a. Batter is out
 - b. Ball is live, play continues
 - c. Ball is dead, foul ball