

2022-23 Year 0-1 Baseball Study Guide



#	Question	Answer A	Answer B
1	The captain and head coach represent the team in communications with umpires.	TRUE	FALSE
2	At the pregame conference, both coaches hand in their lineups to the umpire-in-chief. Team A's lineup properly lists its starters and all eligible substitutes while Team B's contains only its starters. RULING: The umpire will not accept the lineup cards until they list all starters and substitutes.	TRUE	FALSE
3	In the 5th inning, Team B's coach wants to substitute for his pitcher with a player who was not on the original lineup card. RULING: The plate umpire will not allow the substitution.	TRUE	FALSE
4	2nd baseman Brown, listed in the lineup as #4, comes to bat wearing #21 and hits a double. The defensive coach appeals that Brown batted out of order. RULING: Legal since the player's name on the lineup card is what matters in this situation.	TRUE	FALSE
5	At the time of the pitch, all defensive players except the catcher must be in fair territory. To comply with this rule, a player must have at least one foot in fair territory.	TRUE	FALSE
6	The size or length of a bat can be any measurement if it is an all-wooden bat.	TRUE	FALSE
7	The catcher's head protection need not have ear flaps.	TRUE	FALSE
8	The home team has marked its foul lines with purple colored chalk. RULING: This is illegal, however, the game will be played and a report shall be made to the LHSAA through the RCO.	TRUE	FALSE
9	With 2 outs the runner on 3rd base is running on the pitch. The catcher drops "strike 3" and the runner touches the plate just prior to the catcher's throw reaching 1st base. RULING: The run counts.	TRUE	FALSE

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10	F9 catches a deep fly ball using a first baseman's mitt. The coach of Team B appeals this. RULING: Legal catch as there is no distinction between a glove or mitt as long as they meet specifications.	TRUE	FALSE
11	On a cold day, baserunners request to wear jackets. RULING: Only the pitcher shall be allowed to wear a jacket while on base.	TRUE	FALSE
12	F1's glove is multi-colored but contains no white or gray. RULING: Legal for play by the pitcher.	TRUE	FALSE
13	Only baseballs that have the NFHS Authenticating Mark are permissible for use in varsity games.	TRUE	FALSE
14	Non-adult ball/bat shaggers and base coaches must wear legal properly fitting batting helmets.	TRUE	FALSE
15	Prior to the bottom of the 1st inning, the plate umpire notices that the Team B's catcher's face mask has an eye shield with a light blue tint. RULING: This is illegal as eye shields cannot have a presence of tint.	TRUE	FALSE
16	When the visiting team takes the field in the bottom of the 1st inning, F4 and F6 are wearing helmets with a mirror-like finish. RULING: Illegal since defensive players are not allowed to wear head or face protectors with a glazed surface.	TRUE	FALSE
17	The catcher comes to bat with a knee brace that, while padded, still has an exposed hinge. RULING: Illegal.	TRUE	FALSE
18	The catcher misses a pitch which gets stuck in/on the backstop padding. Prior to the catcher getting to the backstop, the ball falls to the ground. RULING: Lodged ball; dead.	TRUE	FALSE
19	The head coach of the visiting team declines going to the pregame conference at home plate, sending his assistant instead. RULING: The head coach will be restricted to the dugout/bench area for the duration of the game.	TRUE	FALSE

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20	B1 hits a deep fly ball down the right-field line which the plate umpire inadvertently declares foul ball. F9 catches the ball in flight. RULING: Foul ball; dead.	TRUE	FALSE
21	B1's bunt rolls up the first-base line and stops half on the line/half on foul ground prior to reaching 1st base. RULING: Fair ball.	TRUE	FALSE
22	The shortstop's arm cast is covered with ½ inch of closed-cell, slow recovery rubber. RULING: Legal.	TRUE	FALSE
23	B1 swings and tips the ball which goes directly to the catcher's chest protector and is then caught by the catcher. RULING: This is a foul-tip strike and the ball remains live.	TRUE	FALSE
24	B1 hits a deep fly ball down the left-field line. F7, in fair territory, reaches over the foul line and drops an attempt to make a catch. RULING: Fair ball; live.	TRUE	FALSE
25	B1 swings and tips the ball which goes directly to the catcher's glove, rebounds to his chest protector and is then caught by the catcher. RULING: This is a foul-tip strike and the ball remains live.	TRUE	FALSE
26	The runner on 2nd base rounds 3rd base and is advancing to score on a base hit when F7 throws home. F2 completely blocks the plate with his lower leg/knee while in possession of the ball and tags the runner out. RULING: Legal defensive play.	TRUE	FALSE
27	As the batter takes his position in the batter's box, the plate umpire raises his hand in the "stop signal." RULING: The ball is "dead" and no defensive action can occur.	TRUE	FALSE
28	No runs can score during a play in which the 3rd out is either a "force out" or the batter-runner before he touches 1st base.	TRUE	FALSE
29	The pitcher will be considered to be in the wind-up position when his pivot foot is in contact with the pitcher's plate and is not parallel to it.	TRUE	FALSE

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30	With runners on base, only the plate umpire has the responsibility for calling balks.	TRUE	FALSE
31	When a baserunner is returning to his base following a caught fly ball and the fielder's throw beats him to the base, it is considered a "force out."	TRUE	FALSE
32	It is an "infield-fly situation" anytime there is at least a runner on 1st base with fewer than 2 outs.	TRUE	FALSE
33	Caps and shoes are required equipment. Track spikes are not allowed.	TRUE	FALSE
34	Each player shall be numbered with a plain Arabic styled number at least 8 inches in height on the back of his jersey.	TRUE	FALSE
35	Any questions regarding the legality of a player's equipment shall be resolved by the umpire-in-chief.	TRUE	FALSE
36	With any runners on base, it is the plate umpire's responsibility for all fair/foul calls.	TRUE	FALSE
37	The defensive team may appeal any ball or strike call by the plate umpire.	TRUE	FALSE
38	B1's batted ball strikes the ground in front of home plate, rebounds and hits his lead leg in fair territory as he is advancing to 1st base. His other leg is still in the batter's box when this occurs. RULING: The batter should be called out for interference.	TRUE	FALSE
39	The plate umpire observes that F2 is wearing a loose-fitting bracelet which describes his diabetic condition. RULING: The umpire will allow the medical bracelet.	TRUE	FALSE
40	The base umpire notices R1 wearing a religious medallion around his neck. RULING: It is permissible for R1 to wear the religious medallion.	TRUE	FALSE

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41	R1 is on 1st base when a ground ball is hit to F6 who throws to F4 covering second. R1 slides late at second, stays in the baseline, but makes contact with F4 who is in front of the base, causing him to overthrow 1st base. RULING: Providing the slide is legal and the contact is not malicious, there is no violation.	TRUE	FALSE
42	A "ball" is always awarded to the batter when a balk is called.	TRUE	FALSE
43	The pitcher will be considered to be in the set position when his pivot foot is in contact with or directly in front of and parallel to the pitcher's plate.	TRUE	FALSE
44	In order for a team to utilize a designated hitter in the game, the coach must declare one and list it on the lineup card he hands to the umpire-in-chief at the pregame conference at home plate.	TRUE	FALSE
45	An intentional base on balls may be issued by the defensive team prior to their pitching to the batter or on any ball/strike count thereafter.	TRUE	FALSE
46	If there is a medical emergency or if, in the umpire's opinion, further play could jeopardize an injured player's safety, the umpire can immediately call "Time" and halt play.	TRUE	FALSE
47	It is an immediate dead ball when any fielder catches then intentionally drops a fly ball with runners on base.	TRUE	FALSE
48	Before the plate umpire puts any dead ball back in play, he must first ensure that the pitcher is legally holding the ball while touching the pitcher's plate, the catcher is in the catcher's box and the batter is in the batter's box.	TRUE	FALSE
49	The defensive player for whom the DH is batting may only pinch hit/run for the player in the DH's slot in the batting order.	TRUE	FALSE

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50	It will be ruled a "delayed dead ball" when the catcher or any fielder obstructs the batter or any runner.	TRUE	FALSE
51	From the wind-up position, the pitcher may throw to an occupied base to make a play on a runner there if he first clearly steps toward that base.	TRUE	FALSE
52	If a fielder illegally obstructs a runner and is responsible for failure of that runner to reach home plate, the umpire has authority to award home plate to that runner.	TRUE	FALSE
53	When the pitcher is touching the pitcher's plate with his feet in the wind-up position, he may step backward off the plate with his pivot foot first or he may deliver a pitch.	TRUE	FALSE
54	A regulation varsity game consists of 7 innings unless extra innings are necessary to resolve a tie score, the home team does not require its half or weather or darkness intervenes.	TRUE	FALSE
55	A player may be removed as pitcher and returned as pitcher any number of times during an inning as long as he remains in the game.	TRUE	FALSE
56	Prior to the start of the game, each head coach shall verify to the umpire-in-chief that his players are properly equipped in accordance with NFHS rules and are using only legal equipment.	TRUE	FALSE
57	The 3rd-base coach is accidentally hit by a thrown ball while standing in the coach's box. RULING: There is no penalty and the ball remains live.	TRUE	FALSE
58	When hitting the ball, the batter must have both feet touching completely within the lines of the batter's box.	TRUE	FALSE

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59	Each team, when on offense, will be granted only 1 charged conference per inning to permit the coach to confer with team personel.	TRUE	FALSE
60	Bats that are altered from the manufacturer's original design and production are legal for use in a game if sanctioned by the plate umpire and agreed to by the coach of the opposing team.	TRUE	FALSE
61	On a potential tag play on the batter-runner between home and 1st base, the batter-runner retreats toward home to evade a tag. RULING: The umpire will declare the batter-runner out immediately.	TRUE	FALSE
62	The batter swings at the pitch which hits him on the forearm. RULING: The ball is dead; a strike is charged to the batter and any runners return to their original bases.	TRUE	FALSE
63	Pitching regulations begin when the pitcher intentionally contacts the pitcher's plate.	TRUE	FALSE
64	Courtesy runners may be used for the pitcher and/or catcher at any time, regardless of the number of outs or the ball/strike count.	TRUE	FALSE
65	The pitcher's pivot foot is that foot with which the pitcher contacts the pitcher's plate when he delivers the ball.	TRUE	FALSE
66	If the designated hitter (DH) is not also a defensive player, he may hit in different spots in the batting order.	TRUE	FALSE
67	The visiting team's catcher is wearing dark tinted sunglasses under his hockey-style catcher's mask. RULING: This is legal.	TRUE	FALSE
68	The scorekeeper informs the plate umpire of a player batting out of order. RULING: The umpire shall remain silent, unless the defense brings the infraction to the umpire's attention.	TRUE	FALSE

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69	Between innings, the non-playing members of Team A run in foul territory toward the outfield fence to stay loose. RULING: This activity is legal provided it does not delay the start of the next half-inning.	TRUE	FALSE
70	A team, while on defense, is permitted 3 charged conferences in a 7-inning game or 1 for each extra inning. Any conference in excess of these limits will cause the pitcher to be removed as pitcher for the remainder of the game.	TRUE	FALSE
71	Ground rules established to cover unusual field conditions may not supersede the NFHS Baseball Rules Book.	TRUE	FALSE
72	In Louisiana, the 10-run rule is in effect for all regular-season and playoff games.	TRUE	FALSE
73	At the time the lineups are exchanged prior to the start of the game, all starters must be present at the field.	TRUE	FALSE
74	The defensive team's assistant coach is granted a time-out to confer with his first baseman. RULING: The defensive team will not be charged with a conference in this situation.	TRUE	FALSE
75	If the batter crouches or leans over to make his shoulder line lower, the umpire will determine the top of the batter's strike zone by what would be his normal stance when he swings at the pitch.	TRUE	FALSE

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76	<p>After the head coach has verified to the plate umpire that all his team's equipment is legal, B9 hits a bases-loaded home run with 2 outs in the 3rd inning. While he is circling the bases, it is discovered that the bat's end cap has been removed and the bat has been stuffed with ping-pong balls. RULING: The plate umpire shall declare the bat illegal, call B9 for the 3rd out, cancel all runs scored and, if this is the first violation of the rule, restrict the head coach to the bench for the duration of the game.</p>	TRUE	FALSE
77	<p>The umpire examines the ball and decides it is not suitable for play and gives F2 a new ball. RULING: The ball remains "dead" and no play is possible until F1 holds the ball on the pitcher's plate, B1 & F2 are in their respective boxes and the umpire calls "Play", giving the proper signal.</p>	TRUE	FALSE
78	<p>The batter is automatically out anytime 1st base is occupied and the catcher drops "Strike 3".</p>	TRUE	FALSE
79	<p>After assuming a wind-up position, the pitcher must step clearly backward off the pitcher's plate with his pivot foot in order to play on any runner on base.</p>	TRUE	FALSE
80	<p>R1 attempts to steal 2nd base on the pitch. The plate umpire inadvertently hits F2's arm as he is throwing the ball. RULING: If R1 is tagged out, the umpire interference is ignored; if not, R1 will be returned to 1st base. The pitch counts.</p>	TRUE	FALSE
81	<p>The home team's catcher takes his position behind the plate in the top of the 1st inning with a skull cap-and-mask combination. RULING: Legal as long as the protection is of one-piece construction.</p>	TRUE	FALSE
82	<p>B1 hits a low line drive that passes directly over 3rd base and first contacts the ground in foul territory. RULING: Foul ball.</p>	TRUE	FALSE
83	<p>B1's hard hit ball strikes the front edge of the pitcher's plate and caroms into foul territory between home and 1st base. RULING: Foul ball.</p>	TRUE	FALSE

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84	The batter comes to the plate wearing a helmet with attached face mask that is commercially manufactured and assembled by the manufacturer and is NOCSAE approved. RULING: Legal.	TRUE	FALSE
85	The visiting team's catcher is using a hockey-style one-piece helmet/mask. RULING: Legal provided it meets the NOCSAE standard.	TRUE	FALSE
86	Upon reaching 1st base following a hit, B1 is brought a helmet with only 1 ear flap to wear. RULING: Illegal, as both batters and baserunners must wear full head-covering helmets with dual ear flaps which are NOCSAE approved.	TRUE	FALSE
87	F9, charging in on a shallow fly ball, gets the ball in his glove in flight but contact with the ground causes the ball to hit the ground. RULING: No catch.	TRUE	FALSE
88	F8, charging toward the outfield fence on a deep fly ball, catches it but immediately hits the fence. As a result, the ball falls out of his glove over the fence. RULING: Home run.	TRUE	FALSE
89	"Obstruction" against an offensive player causes a "delayed dead ball."	TRUE	FALSE
90	Any umpire has the authority to restrict or eject players and coaches or to forfeit a game.	TRUE	FALSE
91	In order to make a legal catch, a fielder must have at least one foot touching "live-ball" area.	TRUE	FALSE
92	F5 is positioned just inside the foul line while attempting to catch a pop up. He reaches over foul ground for the catch but the ball hits his glove and caroms to the ground in fair territory. RULING: Fair ball.	TRUE	FALSE
93	In the 6th inning, Team A's coach requests "Time-out" to confer with his pitcher. He subsequently decides to bring in a new pitcher. RULING: Team A will not be charged for a conference.	TRUE	FALSE

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94	Team B still has its 3 charged conferences. After the 1st out in the bottom of the 6th inning, B's coach goes to the mound for a conference. Following the next batter, he goes out again. RULING: Team B must now change pitchers since this was the 2nd trip to the mound in the inning.	TRUE	FALSE
95	With 2 outs B1 swings and misses the pitch for "Strike three" but F2 drops the ball. B1 heads to the dugout and F2 rolls the ball out to the mound. RULING: B1 is entitled to try to reach 1st base, but if he gives up and enters the dugout or other dead-ball area, he will be declared out.	TRUE	FALSE
96	With R1 on 1st base, F1 receives the ball from F2 and with the feet in set position stance in contact with the pitcher's plate, removes the ball from the glove. RULING: This is a balk as restrictions on F1's movements begin when he intentionally contacts the pitcher's plate with his pivot foot.	TRUE	FALSE
97	Runners are on base when F1, in set position, comes to a complete stop with the glove partially above his chin. RULING: This is legal as F1's glove need only be at or below his chin.	TRUE	FALSE
98	Prior to the pitch, the bases are loaded when B4 makes contact with the catcher while taking a practice swing. RULING: The ball is immediately dead. No runners advance.	TRUE	FALSE
99	A batter can legally switch batter's boxes during the same at-bat and an ambidextrous pitcher can change to either hand at any time while facing a batter.	TRUE	FALSE
100	Any umpire's decision which involves judgment, such as whether a hit is fair or foul, whether a pitch is a strike or a ball, or whether a runner is safe or out, is final unless there exists a reasonable doubt about a decision being in conflict with the rules.	TRUE	FALSE

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101	The bases are loaded when a ground ball to F1 is thrown to F2. R3 slides directly into and past home plate. F2 on his throw to another base is contacted by R3 in the baseline extended. RULING: This is interference by the baserunner.	TRUE	FALSE
102	A runner, in his proper path, goes behind a fielder attempting to field a batted ball in order to avoid interfering with him. RULING: The runner has not committed interference.	TRUE	FALSE
103	The batter enters the box with a non-wood bat that has a BBCOR certification mark. RULING: The bat is legal for play.	TRUE	FALSE
104	After F1 has started his delivery, B1 steps out of the batter's box without being granted "Time-out". RULING: If F1 delivers a legal pitch, the umpire shall call the pitch a strike regardless of the location. The ball remains "live".	TRUE	FALSE
105	All fielders may wear any glove/mitt that meets rules specifications.	TRUE	FALSE
106	From the wind-up position, F1 brings his hands up, as if to begin his windup, and then steps back off the pitcher's plate with his pivot foot and throws to 3rd base to play on the runner there. RULING: This is legal action by the pitcher.	TRUE	FALSE
107	The ball becomes dead immediately when a balk or illegal pitch occurs.	TRUE	FALSE
108	A pitch or any thrown ball becomes immediately dead when it lodges in an umpire's, catcher's or offensive player's equipment or uniform.	TRUE	FALSE
109	If a bleeding or injured player has to leave the game for appropriate treatment, the re-entry rule is suspended for him and he may return to the game regardless of any prior substitution made for him.	TRUE	FALSE
110	Even though the plate umpire is designated as "umpire-in-chief", he cannot by rule, overturn decisions by the base umpire(s) unless asked for help by the umpire who made the call.	TRUE	FALSE

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111	When a baserunner runs more than 3 feet from a direct line between himself and the base to which he is heading to avoid being tagged, the umpire shall declare the runner out.	TRUE	FALSE
112	A batted or thrown ball touches or lands in an occupied designated media area. RULING: The ball is dead immediately as a DMA is a dead-ball area even when it is not be occupied	TRUE	FALSE
113	R1 is on 1st base when the plate umpire calls a balk just as F1 delivers the pitch. B3 hits the pitch over the outfield fence for a home run. RULING: The umpire should give the offensive coach the option to ignore the balk and take the result of the play.	TRUE	FALSE
114	A baserunner is hit by an "infield fly" while he is not touching his base. RULING: Both the runner and the batter are called out.	TRUE	FALSE
115	On a field with no lights and worried about the time element as concerns daylight, both coaches want to play their varsity doubleheader with each game consisting of only 5 innings. RULING: Not legal. To be regulation, both games must be scheduled for 7 innings.	TRUE	FALSE
116	F3 has one foot in foul territory when he receives a pick-off throw from the pitcher. RULING: Illegal.	TRUE	FALSE
117	On a base hit, the 3rd base coach grabs the runner rounding third, forcing him to touch the base. RULING: The runner rounding 3rd base is declared out, the ball remains live and other runners may advance at their own risk.	TRUE	FALSE
118	Neither of the pitcher's feet must be completely within the 24" confines of the pitcher's plate when he begins his pitching motion	TRUE	FALSE
119	Following a morning cloudburst, playing conditions are questionable for an afternoon game. RULING: Both coaches must be in agreement that the grounds and other conditions are suitable for play in order to start the game.	TRUE	FALSE

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120	In Louisiana, coaches are not required to wear team uniforms or helmets in order to perform their on-field duties during the game.	TRUE	FALSE