

## UMPIRE CLASSROOM: QUIZ 1-2025 NFHS RULE CHANGES

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### January Umpire Preview

[https://youtu.be/mcZPBMdDhNw?si=seMhrFX\\_HUg1v8WB](https://youtu.be/mcZPBMdDhNw?si=seMhrFX_HUg1v8WB)

### 2025 NFHS Rule Changes

<https://youtu.be/WipG1dYhaVI?si=b6J9G26gAfPu1Ae3>

1. A coach from Team A is ejected for violation of the rules and refuses to leave the vicinity of the playing area immediately. Answer- The game should be forfeited to the opposing team if the refusal to leave causes a delay in the resumption of play.
2. The coach has been ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct. Later in the game, the coach's pitcher complains of a sore arm. The coach returns from the parking lot. Answer- This is illegal. Coach can only return at umpire's request for injured player.
3. Which logo is required to be on a non-wood bat?



- a.
4. Chase comes up to bat for the home team in the first inning. He has applied pine tar to the handle of his metal, BBCOR bat to improve grip. Is this legal? Answer- Yes, so long as it is not beyond the handle of the bat.
  5. Greg comes up to bat with an illegal bat in the bottom of the first inning and steps into the batter's box. It is then detected by the umpire. This is the first use of an illegal bat detected by the umpire in this game. Answer- Greg shall be called out.
  6. Greg comes up to bat with an illegal bat in the bottom of the first inning and steps into the batter's box. It is then detected by the umpire. This is the first use of an illegal bat detected by the umpire in this game. The head coach of the home team is Lisa. What happens to the head coach in this situation? Answer-Lisa is restricted to the dugout.
  7. In the same game, James comes up to bat with an illegal bat in the bottom of the third inning and steps into the batter's box. It is then detected by the umpire. This is the second use of an illegal bat by the home team in this game. Answer-James shall be called out.
  8. In the same game, James comes up to bat with an illegal bat in the bottom of the third inning and steps into the batter's box. It is then detected by the umpire. This is the second use of an illegal bat by the home team in this game. The head coach of the home team is Lisa. Her assistant head coach is Eric. What happens to the head coach in this situation? Answer- Lisa is ejected.

9. In the same game, Cameron comes up to bat with an illegal bat in the bottom of the fifth inning and steps into the batter's box. It is then detected by the umpire. This is the third use of an illegal bat by the home team in this game. Answer- Cameron shall be called out.
10. In the same game, Cameron comes up to bat with an illegal bat in the bottom of the fifth inning and steps into the batter's box. It is then detected by the umpire. This is the third use of an illegal bat by the home team in this game. The head coach of the home team is Lisa. Her assistant head coach is Eric. What happens to the head coach in this situation? Answer-Lisa has already been ejected. Eric is now ejected.
11. With his team trailing 4–3 in the top half of the seventh inning and two out, George comes up to bat. Before he steps into the box, the home team coach points out to the umpire that pine tar extends beyond the barrel of the bat and 19 inches from the nob of the bat. Answer- This is illegal. The bat should be replaced.
12. With his team trailing 4–3 in the top half of the seventh inning and two out, George comes up to bat. After entering the box, the home team coach points out to the umpire that pine tar extends beyond the barrel of the bat and 19 inches from the nob of the bat. Answer- This is illegal. Batter is out.
13. With his team trailing 4–3 in the top half of the seventh inning and two out, George comes up to bat. After hitting a home run, the home team coach points out to the umpire that pine tar extends beyond the barrel of the bat and 19 inches from the nob of the bat. Answer- This is illegal. The batter is out. No run scores. Any runners return to previous base at time of pitch.
14. Georgia and Arizona have been approved to test delayed dead ball balks in their NFHS Baseball games. This is the same rule as currently used in NCAA, and similar to the MLB rule. Do you think the NFHS rules should be changed to have balks as a delayed dead ball?
15. Do you think your state provides adequate training for umpires?