

UMPIRE CLASSROOM: QUIZ 2- 2025 POINTS OF EMPHASIS (5)

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1. How many baseballs are required to start the game? Answer-3. However, have 4-6 baseballs in your ball bags.
2. Is a team allowed to rub up baseballs before they are used in game play? Answer- Yes
3. R1. After a foul ball, the pitcher receives a brand new baseball from the umpire. Before the ball is put in play, the pitcher reaches down, picks up dirt on the mound, and rubs it on the baseball. Answer- This is illegal. The umpire should replace the baseball and no other penalty is enforced.
4. According to the NFHS rules, what is the legal circumference of a baseball? Answer- The rules do not specify a specific size.
5. A right-handed pitcher engages the pitching plate with his pivot foot parallel to the pitcher's plate. His shoulders are squared to the plate, and his free foot is breaking the plane of the front edge of the pitcher's plate. Is this pitcher in the set, windup, or hybrid stance? Answer- Set
6. A right-handed pitcher with no runners on base engages the pitching plate with his pivot foot parallel to the pitcher's plate. His shoulders are squared to the plate, and his free foot is breaking the plane of the front edge of the pitcher's plate. He picks up and lowers his free foot twice in his delivery. Answer-This is an illegal pitch, and a ball will be added to the count.
7. A right-handed pitcher with a runner on third base engages the pitching plate with his pivot foot parallel to the pitcher's plate. His shoulders are squared to the plate, and his free foot is breaking the plane of the front edge of the pitcher's plate. He picks up and lowers his free foot twice in his delivery. Answer- This is an illegal pitch and will be enforced as a balk.
8. Umpires shall use the location and angle of the pitcher's free foot when determining if the pitcher is in the stretch or windup. Answer- False. The pivot foot determines pitching stance.
9. The "Hybrid stance" is an alternative to the wind-up and set, and is considered the same as the wind-up. Answer- False.
10. Can a player be restricted to the dugout for unsportsmanlike behavior? Answer- No. Only as coach can be restricted to the dugout.
11. With the bases loaded, B4 hits a grand slam. His teammates come out of the dugout and celebrate with him around home plate but after he touches the plate. Answer- Legal.
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13. With the bases loaded, B4 hits a grand slam. His teammates come out of the dugout and celebrate with him around home plate but after he touches the plate. One of the bench players brings out a bucket but doesn't do anything unsportsmanlike with it. Answer- This is illegal. The head coach is restricted to the dugout.
14. Which of the following uses of one-way electronic communication equipment are legal? Answer- Coach to Catcher.