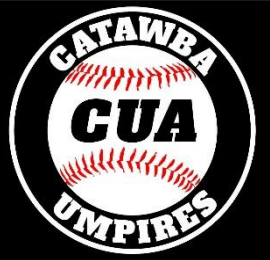


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- Welcome - Please Make Sure You Know How To Mute and Unmute Your Microphone
 - Please Stay On Mute Unless You Are Speaking
 - Several Items Referenced Are Available On Our Website. www.CatawbaUmpires.com
 - Questions Can Be Posted In Teams Chat Feature Or Unmute Your Mic And Ask During The Discussion



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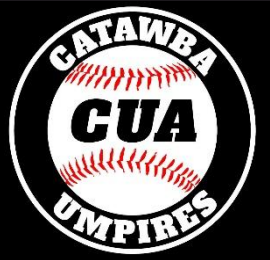
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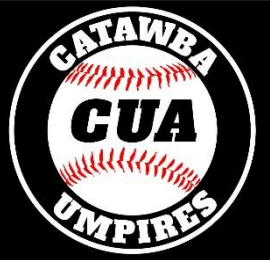
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- Diamond Prospects Fall League
 - SCHSL Rules With Some Exceptions – Posted on Web Site
 - No Line Up Cards
 - No Run Rules
 - Time Limits
 - Single Game
 - No New Inning After 120 Minutes (2 Hours)
 - Or 7 Innings
 - Extra innings allowed if time limit not reached
 - Double Header
 - No New Inning After 110 Minutes (1 Hour 50 Minutes)
 - Or 7 Innings
 - Extra innings allowed if time limit not reached



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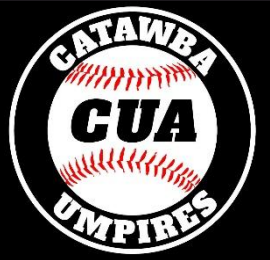
- Diamond Prospects Fall League
 - SCHSL Rules With Some Exceptions – Posted on Website
 - Batter Limits
 - Single Game and Double Headers
 - 6 Hitters Max Per Half Inning (Innings 1-3)
 - 5 Hitters Max Per Half Inning (Innings 4-?)
 - No Intentional Walks
 - Mandatory Courtesy Runner for Pitcher and Catcher with 2 Outs



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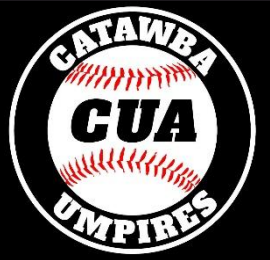
- Clover Recreation Fall League Minors & O-Zone
 - Rules Are Posted On The Website
 - Minors (9-10) and O-Zone (11-12)
 - No Line Up Cards
 - No New Inning After 75 Minutes (Horn)
 - 6 Innings Max
 - Minors - 7 Run Inning Max (Except 6th Inning)
 - O-Zone - 10 Run Inning Max (Except 6th Inning)
 - 12 Run Rule After 3rd Inning, 10 Run Rule After 4th Inning
 - Games Can End In A Tie
 - On-Deck Batter Is Allowed To Be On The Same Side Of The Batter



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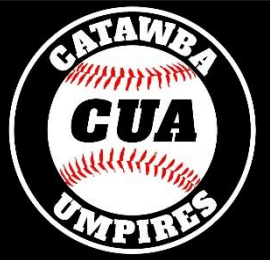
- Clover Recreation Fall League
 - 15u
 - No Line Up Cards
 - No New Inning After 85 Minutes
 - 7 Innings Max
 - 10 Run Rule After 4
 - Games Can End In A Tie



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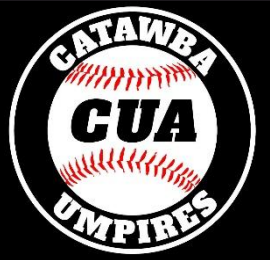
- Pay Rates
 - Diamond Prospects
 - Single Game
 - Double Header
 - Mileage Fees
 - Clover, Fort Mill, Indian Land, Lake Wylie Nation Ford, Rock Hill, York -
 - Buford, Gaston Christian, Lancaster, Lewisville –
 - Andrew Jackson, Blacksburg, Chester, Great Falls -
 - Gaffney -
 - McBee, Spartanburg Methodist -



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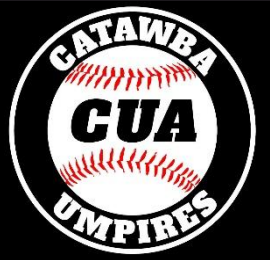


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- Pay Rates

- Pay Has Been Negotiated and Expectations Are High
 - No Travel Ball Mechanics
 - Good Attitude And Hustle
 - **Work To Make Yourself A Better Baseball Umpire**
- Patience
 - Time Limits
 - Enforcing Rules
 - Perception
- Balls/Strikes
 - Time Limit Games



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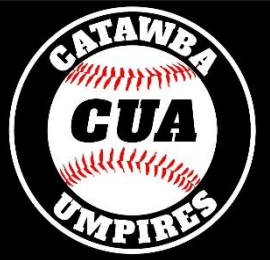
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- Booking Fees

- 10% Of Earnings Not To Exceed \$80 – Billed After The Season Ends
 - Example 1: Umpire works 3 games and earned \$230. Booking fee is 10% of \$230 = \$23
 - Example 2: Umpire works 10 games and earned \$1,000. Booking fee is maxed out at \$80

- Payments

- Catawba Umpires Will Pay Every 2 Weeks via Arbiter Pay



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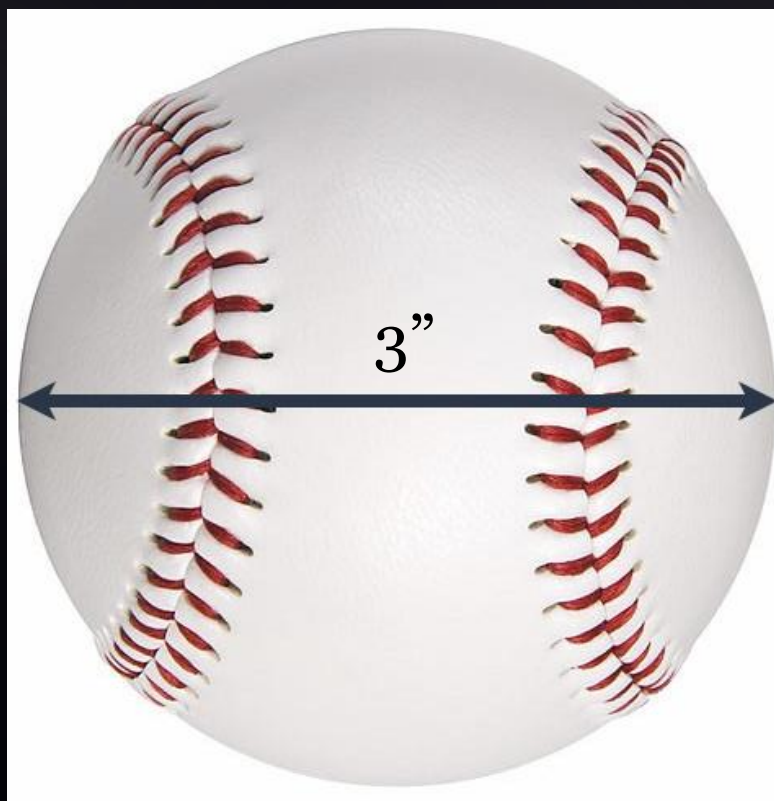
- Arbiter
 - Block Your Calendar ASAP
 - Keep Your Calendar Up To Date
 - Accept or Decline Assignment Within 36 Hours
 - Games Will Be Reassigned After 36 Hours



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- Width/Diameter of The Baseball
 - Diameter = Circumference / π
 - Diameter = 9.25 or 9.5 divided by 3.14159
 - 2.94 to 3.02 inches

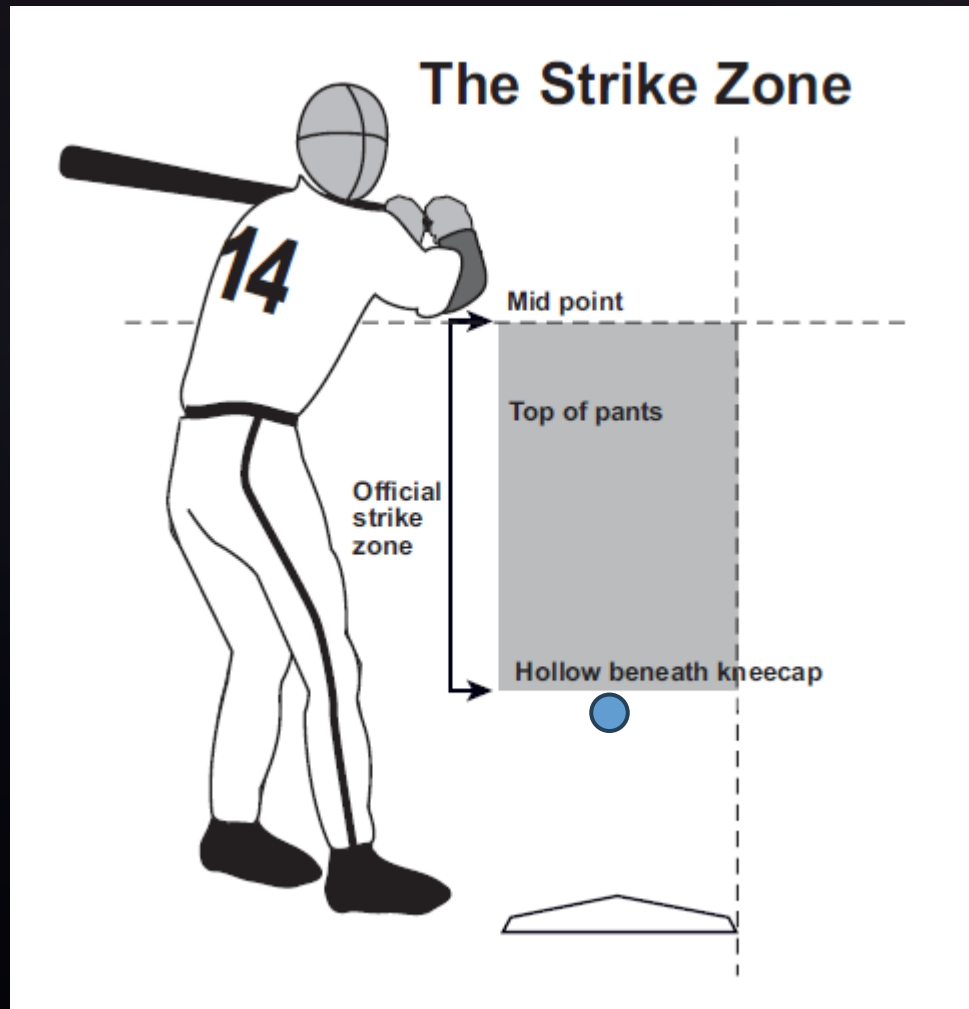




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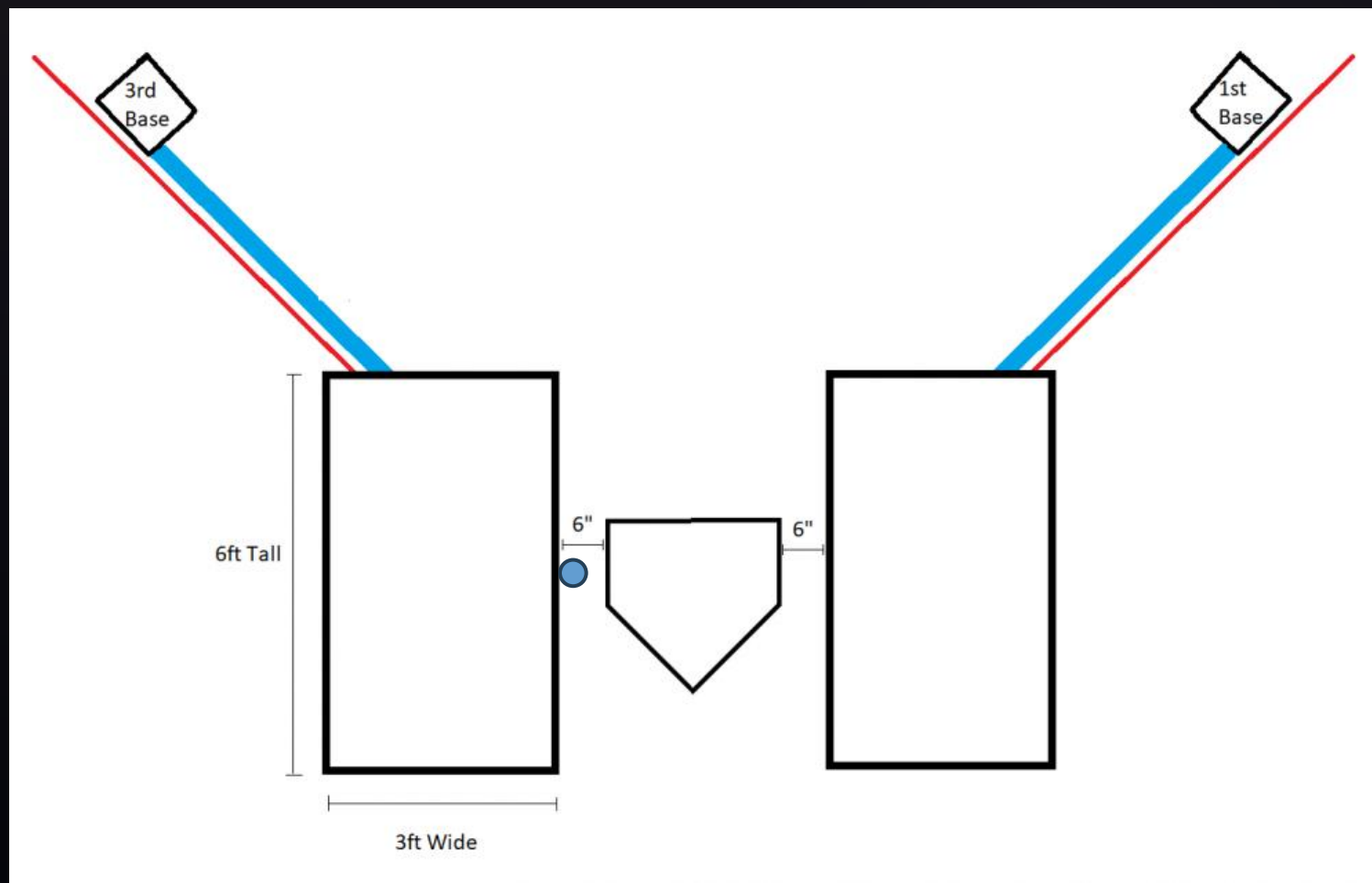
Rule Book Graphic Strike Zone

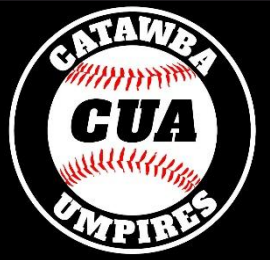




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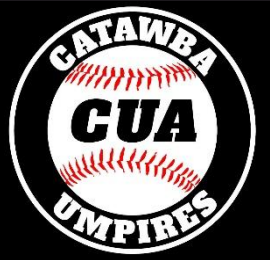


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- Strike Zone





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NFHS Rule 1-3-2-c Same rule for Clover Rec Leagues

Each bat not made of a single piece of wood shall:

Have a safety grip made of cork, tape (no smooth, plastic tape) or commercially manufactured composition material. The grip must extend a minimum of 10 inches, but not more than 18 inches, from the base of the knob. Slippery tape or similar material shall be prohibited. Resin, pine tar or any drying agent to enhance the hold are permitted on the bat, not to exceed beyond 18 inches from the base of the knob. Molded grips are illegal.

NFHS Case Book 1-3-2-d

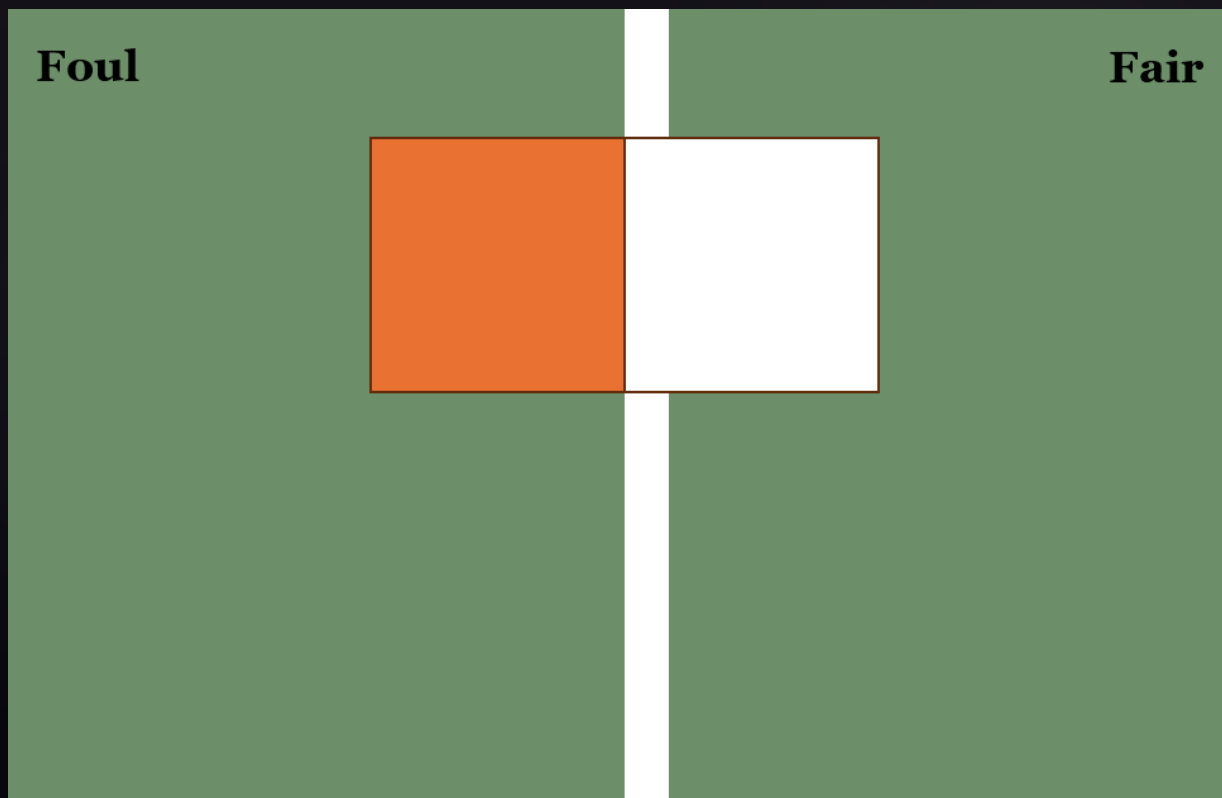
It is discovered that Player A (a) prior to entering the batter's box; (b) after entering the box; (c) after a base hit, is using a BBCOR certified bat that has pine tar at 19 inches from the base of the knob. RULING: In (a), the illegal bat is removed from the game. In (b), the batter is declared out and the illegal bat is removed from the game and the coach is restricted to the dugout. In (c), the batter is declared out; the illegal bat is removed from the game, and all base runners return to previous occupied base, and the coach is restricted to the dugout.



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Double First Base



- Rule 1-2-9 noting that the double first base must be white and a contrasting solid color. The white portion of the base is located in fair territory while the colored half is located in foul territory, split by the first base foul line. There is to be no space between the two portions of the double base.



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Double First Base

- Rule 8-2-2a, outline how batter-runners and fielders shall use the double first base. The batter-runner should use the colored base on an initial play at first base unless a fielder is drawn into foul territory to receive a dropped third strike, in which case, the batter-runner would use the white portion of the base. Once the batter-runner reaches first base, the batter-runner must always return to the white base, including when leading off, returning on a pick-off attempt or tagging up on a fly ball.
- A batter-runner may use either side of first base on a base-on-balls or on an extra-base hit to the outfield when there is no chance of a play to be made going into first base.



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- Interference is to be called on batter-runners if they only touch the white portion on a force play at first and collide with the fielder. Similarly, it is obstruction if a defensive player only touches the colored portion of the base and collides with the batter-runner.
- Rule 2-5-1h was added to note that it is a fair ball if a batted ball hits or bounds over any part of the white portion of the double first base. Alternately, it is a foul ball if a batted ball hits or bounds over any part of the colored portion of the base (Rule 2-16-1h).



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- Things to Do:
 - Do not talk excessively with the coaches, fans or players
 - Be cordial Always Professional Never rude
 - Do not initiate any conversations
 - Keep any conversations short and to the point
 - Shut down bench jockeying/unsportsmanlike conduct
 - Do not allow a pitcher to wear a white or gray glove
 - If you issue a warning or have an ejection
 - Call Greg first. If no answer leave a voice mail
 - Call Gary second. If no answer leave a voice mail
 - One of us will get back to you
 - Call balks when a pitcher violates the rules
 - Historically, we are missing no-stop balks
 - No coaches outside dugouts unless they are coaching bases or having a conference.



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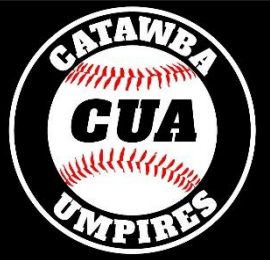
- Things to Do:
 - Be nice until we can't
 - Our job is to manage the game and enforce the rules
 - We are not there to make friends
 - Conduct a quick postgame at the game site
 - Close Calls
 - Unusual Plays
 - Arguments, Warnings, Ejections
 - Help each other get better
 - Regarding baseball umpiring - Stay off Social Media
 - Keep your umpire life off social media
 - Any comments or posts you make will not help you but may hurt you
 - Pack some food and drink especially for a double header
 - Do not wear your umpire uniform, hat, etc. in public places or at baseball games as a spectator



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- Plate Meeting
 - Keep It Short
 - No Line Ups
 - Ground Rules
 - All Players Legal



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