



Catawba Umpires Association

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- Please mute your microphone unless you need to speak to the group.
- Agenda
 - Issues We Have Seen This Year
 - Questions/Comments



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- Middle School Rules
 - Same as Varsity With Two Exceptions
 1. No New Inning After 1:50
 2. Drop Dead at 2:00
- Pitchers Gray Gloves
 - For pitchers, gloves cannot be white or gray
- Pitchers Gray Sleeves
 - For pitchers, sleeves below the elbow cannot be white or gray
- Arbiter Calendar
 - Please... Please... Please... Keep this up to date



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- DH Rule
 - DH can be listed to hit for any player, not just the pitcher
- Between Inning Times
 - By NFHS Rule: 60 Seconds after last out is recorded
- Home Run Celebrations
 - Keep players out of the dirt circle
- Coaches and Personnel Out of Dugout
 - No Chairs, Buckets, etc.



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- Reminder: Ejections are serious business due to suspension of players and coach fines
- Blood Rule
- Two runners at same base
- Batter/Runner or Runner has a right to run to the next base until they enter the dugout.
- Umpire Interference
 - Plate Umpire
 - Base Umpire



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- **Communication: Reach out to your partner the day before a game**
- **Eye Black**
 - On strip below each eye – That is it. Clean it up.
- **Runner hit with batted ball**
 - When is it interference
 - When is it not interference
- **Pre-Game and Post Game discussions with partners**
 - Discuss rotations, standard plays, unusual plays
 - Help each other get better



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- SCHSL Appeal Rules
 - Live ball appeal – allowed
 - Dead ball appeal – not allowed. Umpire calls the out



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