## 2015 Massachusetts Baseball Umpires Association Examination

(+) = Correct Answer

Q: There is a bat standard for all non wood bats used in all MIAA baseball games.

+ True

- False

## **Q: A BESR certified bat is permissible.**

- True

+ False

## Q: BBCOR is the only certified bat that is legal.

+ True

- False

Q: A pitcher must have his entire pivot on and in complete contact with the rubber as he starts his windup.

- True

+ False

Q: When not in contact with the rubber, a pitcher is considered a fielder.

+ True

- False

Q: If a pitcher goes to his mouth while on the rubber, it is a balk.

- True

+ False

Q: If a pitcher legally disengages the rubber after coming set, he must drop his hands to his sides before reengaging the rubber.

+ True

- False

Q: A runner on 2nd. The pitcher comes set. The runner breaks for 3rd. The pitcher steps back with his pivot foot and throws the runner out at third. Umpire rules this a legal play.

+ True

- False

Q: A runner on 2nd. The pitcher comes set. The runner breaks for 3rd, but then stops. The pitcher, believing the runner is going, from the rubber steps and throws to 3rd. Umpire rules a balk for throwing to an unoccupied base.

- True

+ False

**Q: MIAA games use the Major League Rule regarding Interference on a double play at second base.** - True + False

Q: The NCAA force play/slide rule governs Interference on double plays for all MIAA games.

+ True

- False

Q: A player violating the force play/slide rule must, also, be ejected from the game.

- True

+ False

Q: A batter swinging at a pitch makes contact with the pitch while part of his foot is outside the batter's box. The batter should be declared out.

- True

+ False

**Q**: Same as 13. The batter should be declared out whether he makes contact with the pitch or not. - True

- ITUE

+ False

Q: On any foul tip, the ball remains alive and in play.

+ True

- False

Q: Runners are not permitted to steal on a foul tip.

- True

+ False

Q: A bunt can never be an Infield Fly.

+ True

- False

Q: Runners on 1st and 2nd, one out. The batter bunts the ball high in the air towards 3rd. The third baseman allows the ball to fall untouched to the ground and subsequently turns a double play. Umpire rules legal play.

+ True

- False

Q: Anytime a batter is hit by a pitch, even if he swings at it, the ball is dead.

+ True

- False

Q: Any and all Interference(s) cause the ball to become dead immediately.

- True

+ False

Q: There is a Strike One/Strike Two Policy governing all MIAA games.

+ True

- False

Q: Umpires should make every effort to issue a warning, prior to ejecting a coach.

+ True

- False

Q: Batter hits a ground rule double but misses first. The pitcher comes set and from the rubber throws to first for an appeal. Batter is ruled out.

+ True

- False

Q: A balk does not cause the ball to become dead immediately.

+ True

- False

Q: A fielder dives to make a catch on a line drive. He gains secure possession of the ball in the air, but then he hits the ground and the ball falls to the ground. Umpire rules "no catch".

+ True

- False

Q: To establish a legal catch, the release of the ball has to be "voluntary and intentional".

+ True

- False

Q: A line drive goes off the shortstop's glove, hits a runner standing near 2nd and is caught in the air by the 2nd baseman before touching the ground. This is a legal catch.

- True

+ False

Q: In play #27, the runner should be declared out.

- True

+ False

Q: The awarding of bases on a dead ball overthrow is always governed by the position of the runners at the time of the throw.

- True

+ False

Q: Runner on 1st is stealing. Batter hits a line drive to shortstop. Shortstop catches the ball and attempts to double up runner at 1st. Shortstop's throw goes out of play. Runner should be awarded 3rd base.

+ True

- False

Q: The batter swings at a pitch and hits the catcher's glove. The batter, however, hits the ball into fair territory. Umpire should call "Time " immediately because the bat hit the catcher's glove.

- True

+ False

Q: If there is catcher's interference, when the umpire calls "Time" does not matter because the batter would only be entitled to 1st base.

- True

+ False

Q: Catcher's Interference, alternatively, could and should be a delayed dead ball situation.

+ True

- False

Q: Batter's Interference is never a delayed dead ball situation.

- True

+ False

**Q**: Umpires Interference is never a delayed dead ball situation.

- True

+ False

Q: There are, according to baseball rules, situations wherein the manager may be afforded an option.

+ True

- False

Q: The call of a balk may afford the manager an option.

- True

+ False

**Q**: The call of Catcher's Interference may afford the manager an option.

+ True

- False

Q: The batter is interfered with by the catcher, but hits a bomb to left center field anyway. He gets thrown out at third trying to stretch a sure double into triple. Manager may request that catcher's interference be invoked and the batter be placed at 1st.

- True

+ False

Q: On catcher's interference, if the batter reaches 1st and all runners advance one base, the rule is now satisfied. No option and the result of any play is now legal and final.

+ True

- False

Q: Runner on 3rd, two outs. Batter hits ground ball which hits the base umpire in the infield before touching or passing a fielder. Umpire awards batter 1st and returns the runner to 3rd.

+ True

- False

Q: Runner on 1st stealing, no outs. Batter interferes with the catcher's throw attempting to throw out runner stealing. Runner ruled out for batter's interference.

- True

+ False

Q: Runner on 3rd, no outs. On an attempted suicide squeeze, batter interferes with the catcher. Batter ruled out for interference, runner returns to 3rd.

- True

+ False

Q: Batted ball goes sharp and direct from the bat to the catcher's glove then hits his mask and is caught by him before hitting the ground. Umpire rules foul ball because he did not catch it cleanly.

- True
- + False

Q: A batted ball hits behind home plate and untouched spins into fair territory and comes to rest on home plate. Umpire rules fair ball.

+ True

- False

Q: A declared Infield Fly which falls untouched to the ground and rolls into foul territory is simply a foul ball.

+ True

- False

Q: A runner standing on a base when hit by a declared Infield Fly shall not be declared out.

- + True
- False

Q: Runners on 1st and 3rd, no outs. Batter hits popup to the infield. Umpire rules Infield Fly.

- True

+ False

Q: Runners on 1st and 3rd. Pitcher comes to set position. From the rubber, the pitcher fakes to 3rd and throws to 1st. Umpire rules a balk.

+ True

- False

Q: The only base a pitcher is not required to throw to from the rubber is 2nd.

+ True

- False