



2026 USA Softball Virtual Casebook Index

Rule	Case Play	Description	Date Created
1	APPEAL Situation A	Live ball appeal of R1 leaving early on caught fly ball at 2B.	10/2023
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6	6A.3J &3K Situation A	Various Pitcher videos showing multiple pitching styles.	10/2023
	6A.3J &3K Situation B	Step by step break down of pitcher with both feet in the air during delivery.	3/2024
	6A.3J&3K Situation C	Pitcher jumps forward after release of the pitch.	10/2025
	6A.3I Situation A	Pitchers foot outside of the 24" length of the pitching plate.	10/2025
	6A.6A Situation A	Pitcher rubs hand in dirt then goes directly to the ball.	1/2022
7	7.4J Situation A	B1 swings and hits the ball that comes directly off the bat and hits B1 while they are still in the batter's box.	10/2022
	7.4J Situation B	B1 hits the ball that comes off the bat and hits B1 while they are still in the batter's box.	10/2025
	7.6M EXCEPTION Situation A	Ball hits bat twice while still in batter's box, bat still in batter's hands.	9/2022
	7.6M EXCEPTION Situation B	Ball hits bat twice while still in batter's box, bat still in batter's hands.	9/2022
	8.2B Situation A	F3 fields the ball and touches first base with their empty hand while holding the ball in their mitt prior to Batter-runner reaching first base.	10/2024
8	8.2I Situation A	No outs, R1 on second base, R2 on first base, B3 hits an infield fly.	10/2022
	8.5B Situation A	B3 hits a fly ball over F9's head; F3 trips the batter-runner as they round first base.	9/2022
	8.5B Situation B	R1 at 3B tags and advanced to home as F7 catches a fly ball and throws to F2 for a play at the plate.	10/2022

	8.5B Situation C	R1 contacts F5 when F6 is fielding the ball.	10/2023
	8.5B Situation D	R1 obstructed at 2B then overthrow at 3B and scores.	10/2024
	8.5B Situation E	B2 is obstructed by F2 as they are running home.	10/2024
	8.7B Situation A	Tag is made then ball comes loose.	10/2024
	8.7E Situation A	B3 hits a home run and “high 5’s” both coaches as they round the bases.	10/2022
	8.7F Situation A	R1 leaves before a fly ball is touched, defense makes a live ball appeal.	9/2022
	8.7J [1] Situation A	R1 on 2B runs and jumps in front of F6 as they are fielding a batted ball.	10/2024
	8.7J [3] Situation A	R1 and R2 tag and advance on fly ball. Thrown ball hits R1 and deflects away from F2 allowing R2 to also score.	10/2022
	8.7J [4] Situation A	Ball deflects off F1 and F4 makes the play.	1/2022
	8.7J [4] Situation B	Ball deflects off F5 and F6 fields the ball as R1 runs between them.	10/2025
	8.7P Situation A	After scoring, R1 interferes with F2’s chance to make a play on another runner at home.	10/2022
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Umpire Mechanics Videos

Chapter 2-Signals and Communications Check Swing Situation A	Plate umpire asks U1 if right-handed batter swung.	10/2025
Chapter 4-Plate Mechanics A2d Situation A	Plate umpire goes set prior to the start of the pitch.	10/2025
Chapter 4-Plate Mechanics B1b Situation A	Example of Plate umpire not trailing and example of a plate umpire trailing correctly	10/2023
Chapter 4-Plate Mechanics B1c Situation B	Plate umpire should be near the foul line for ball hit near line, also should use right hand for routine outs.	10/2023
Chapter 4-Plate Mechanics B1c Situation C	Foul ball signal near foul line vs status or point foul on ground ball.	10/2025
Chapter 4-Plate Mechanics C2e Situation A	Batted ball hits batter in the batter’s box.	10/2025

Chapter 5-Base Mechanics A5 Situation A	Coach questions if F5 was in contact with the base for the force out. Base umpire is not in a great position for a play at 3B, so they go to the plate umpire to see if they had any information to help with the call.	10/2025
Chapter 5-Base Mechanics A6 and B1 Situation A	Umpire over rotated at 1B and does not let the ball take them to the play.	10/2023
Chapter 5-Base Mechanics B5C Situation B	U3 chases foul ball near line gives ball status then the out for the catch.	10/2023
Chapter 6-Two Umpire System Runner on 1B-Situation A	Ball hit to F6 who overthrows F4 with the ball going to the outfield. There is no play at 3B but the plate umpire moves to 3B instead of the holding zone.	10/2025
Chapter 6-Two Umpire System Runner on 1B-Situation B	Ball hit to F6 who overthrows F4 with the ball going to the outfield. BU does not move inside and work to get to 1B, F9 almost throws behind the batter-runner at 1B.	10/2025
Chapter 6-Two Umpire System Runners on 1B and 2B Situation A	With R1 on 2B and R2 on 1B, ball is hit to F1 who throws to F5 for an out, BU does not move toward 3B to make the call. Coach questions if F5's feet were on the base when they caught the ball.	10/2025
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System No Runners on base-Situation A	Ball hit to fence no one chases plate umpire is at 3B but in foul ground instead of fair territory.	10/2025
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runner on 1B-Situation A	Plate umpire does not stay at 3B causing 3B to be uncovered.	10/2023
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runner on 1B-Situation B	Plate umpire points fair with incorrect hand and does not rotate to 3B.	10/2023
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runner on 1B-Situation C	U3 does not signal obstruction, PU incorrect position at 3B and R1 does not rotate all the way to right hand batter's box.	10/2024
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runner on 1B-Situation D	Plate umpire does not move into fair territory when rotating to 3B and moves back to home. U1 does not get rotated to the right hand batter's box. Neither signal obstruction at home.	10/2024
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runner on 1B-Situation E	Steal of 2B plate umpire does not begin to rotate to 3B.	10/2024
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runner on 1B-Situation F	Play at 1B then play on R1 at 3B that becomes an overthrow and plate umpire takes R1 to home in fair territory.	10/2024
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runner on 1B-Situation G	Steal of 2B plate umpire does not begin to rotate to 3B.	10/2025
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runner on 2B-Situation A	U1's starting position it too close to 2B, they give a safe signal when no interference and do not move close enough to 1B.	10/2024

Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runners on 1B and 2B Situation A	U1 chases then returns to take 2B side of a rundown.	10/2024
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Runners on 2B and 3B Situation A	U1 starting position is too close to 2B, also does not get close enough to 1B for a play at 1B.	10/2025
Chapter 6-Three Umpire System Bases Loaded Situation A	Base hit to outfield, PU too close on play at plate also 3B line extended. Weak signal at end of play.	10/2025