

TWO UMPIRE MECHANICS – SLOW PITCH

Women's 11" – Men's 12" – Coed

THIS IS THE ONLY CHANGE SUGGESTED BY ASA.

The BASE UMPIRE will always be positioned behind and off the second baseman.

Which side of the second baseman will depend on where the defense sets up and the number of runners.

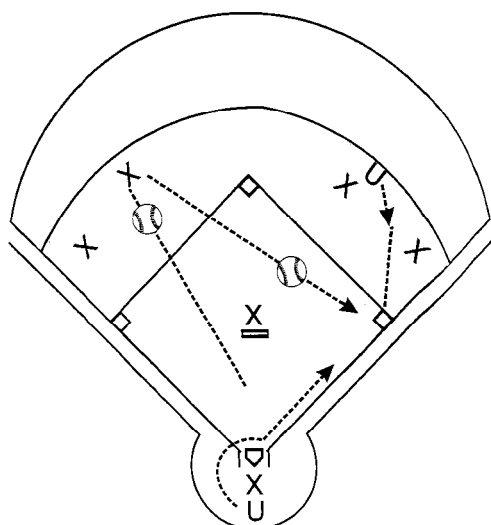
With no runners on base or a runner on third base only, the BASE UMPIRE will set up in a ready position behind and on the first base side of the second baseman.

With the BASE UMPIRE off the line and positioned in the infield, the umpire will be in a better position to go out on problem fly balls from the right fielder to the left fielder.

The BASE UMPIRE will no longer be forced to go into foul territory for a play at first base.

The PLATE UMPIRE will have all foul ball calls.

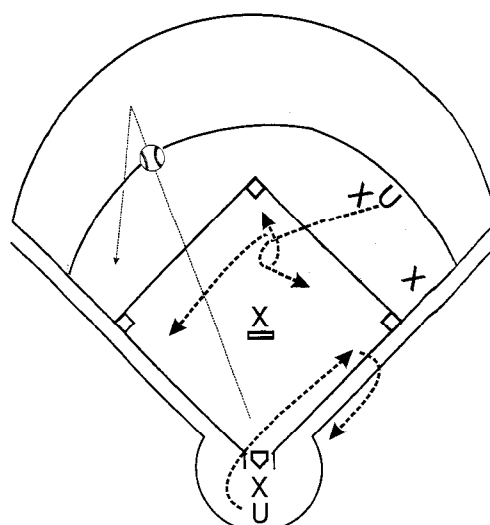
NO RUNNERS ON BASE



ON A BATTED BALL TO THE
INFIELD

The BASE UMPIRE will move to a position outside to make the call. Be prepared to carry the runner into second base from the outside.

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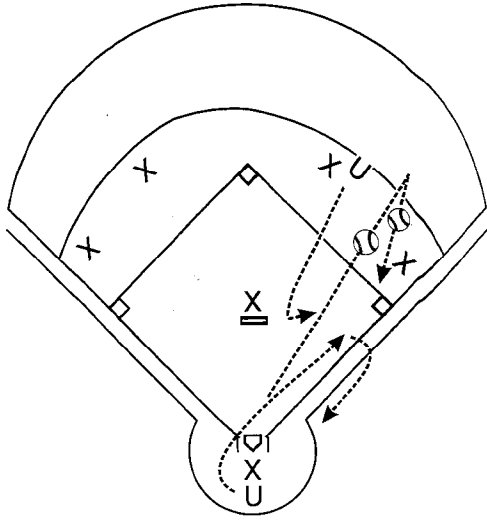
ON A BATTED BALL TO LEFT
FIELD

The BASE UMPIRE on an extra base hit will be ahead of the batter-runner and when inside will be only a few steps from second base and be prepared to carry the runner into third base.

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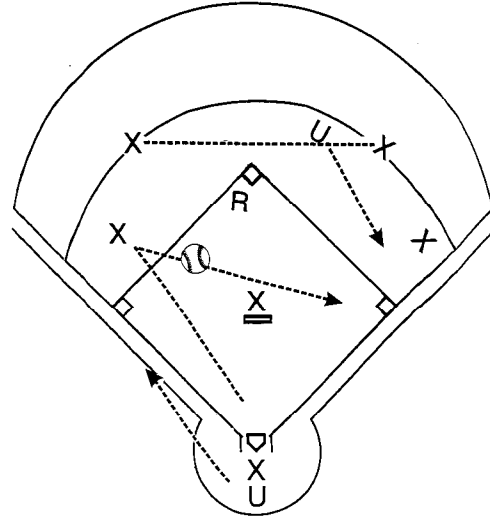


ON A BATTED BALL TO RIGHT FIELD FOR POSSIBLE PLAY AT FIRST

The BASE UMPIRE should buttonhook inside for the play at first base.

- The umpire will not be in the throwing lane from the outfielder to first, and
- From inside, the umpire is in better position to carry the runner into second base on a wild throw.

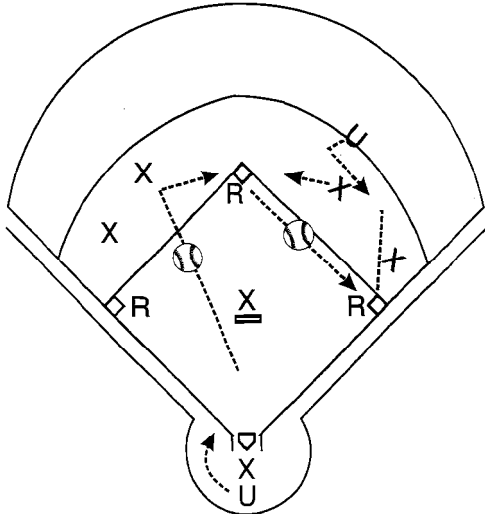
UPPER LEVELS OF PLAY THAT ALLOW STEALING



ON A BATTED BALL WITH A DEEP INFIELD DEFENSE

In the upper divisions of play that allow stealing and where the infielders play very deep, do not position behind the second baseman. Make an imaginary line between the second baseman and shortstop. The BASE UMPIRE should be positioned on the first base side of second base and on this imaginary line.

RUNNER ON FIRST, RUNNERS ON FIRST AND SECOND OR BASES FULL THERE IS NO CHANGE



From this position, the BASE UMPIRE can buttonhook inside in front of the runners or move toward first base on a force out attempt.