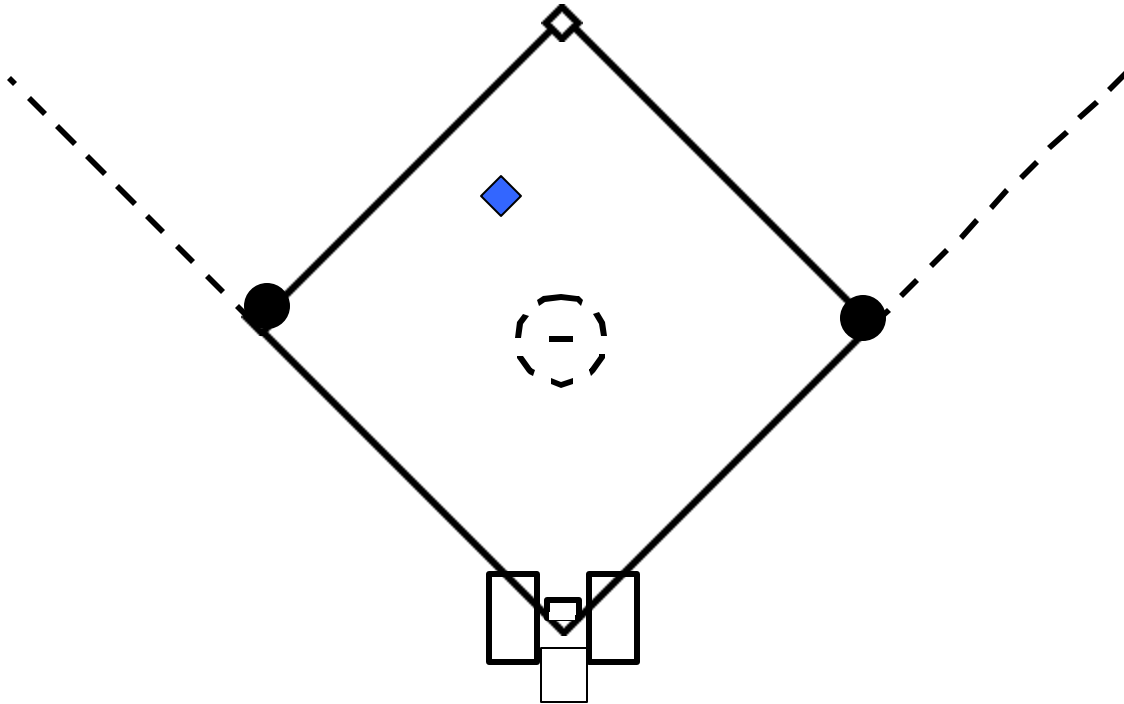


Base umpire

Runners on 1st & 3rd



1. Be alert for pickoff attempts by the catcher or pitcher at first or third.
2. Especially with two outs, watch for the delayed double steal rundown play. Be sure to make a loud, clear call on the putout.
3. Make any call on the first play by an infielder if not at the plate. Be alert for line drives that may become double plays. On ground ball double plays, watch the force out, then move and turn to get into position for the call on the back end of the play.
4. Call catch/no catch on fly balls fielded on the middle of the infield and on fly balls to the outfield between the left and right fielders.
5. On base hits, watch runner from first touch second, then look to see the batter-runner touch first. Stay aware of the positions of the runners and your partner, since the runner from first could either try to return to second or get caught in a rundown between 2nd and 3rd, in which case the play at second is yours. If the batter-runner attempts to reach second, the play at second is also yours. COMMUNICATE.