

Before Game (coin toss) tell teams....

1. Report put out by Player # and DP (ex. #3 Deep)
2. When subbing, tell the scorekeeper their DP
3. You make changes to players DP, report it so time is not wasted later and stats are correct (We won't waste your play time, if you don't waste time not reporting changes)

1st INNING

BEFORE the top and bottom of the inning after the blindfold check, help the scorekeeper make sure that the coaches have reported the DP of each player so that is marked in the DP column

DURING game

Continue to ask before the first pitch of the TOP and BOTTOM of each inning, if the defensive DP has changed. (ask "Defense players in the same positions." Then you ask the normal "Defense set?" or "Defense ready?"

Tips/ Tricks

Umpires

- 1) During the coin toss, tell captains/coaches that they need to let the scorekeeper know the # of the player and their depth/defensive position (ex. #3 deep) so that everything matches at the end of the game (Helps if you say---your players want the out and stats then they need to let the scorekeeper know)
- 2) Before each change of defense (ex. Top of 3rd and bottom of 3rd- when the changeover is) please check with the spotters and ask if the players

positions have changed. You know when you ask the defense if they are set, you can include this when you ask this of them this very first time (***)this is what got me the times where if I hadn't noticed the change myself and or went up to their coaches and asked at the beginning of the top and bottom of the innings- if would not have been correct in the books on the position part)

3) Before the 1st pitch of the top and bottom of that inning, ask the scorekeeper if they are set and have marked the changes if any were made to the defensive positions

(NOTE- Jordyn and Jason did #1 at the Vegas tournament and it really helped. I talked to Jason and he and I both agreed that #2 and #3 would help and yes it may be slow at first...but once the habit is in place this will not affect the time limit on the games)

Teams/Captains/Players

1) At the beginning of the game, coaches please come up to the scorekeeper and make sure who is playing what position has been designated on the Team Roster and is still correct, so they can mark that in the column marked DP or Defensive Position **BEFORE** the **first pitch is thrown for the Visitor and Home team aka the top of the 1st inning and the bottom of the 1st inning.** (Note- THIS is the BIG one!!!!!!!)

2) When you report your subs, please let the scorekeeper know the DP that the player will be playing at that time.

3) Let the scorekeeper know who got the out AND their position as soon as the play is called out or safe. This can be the bench coach or that player or spotter- but they need to report the player number and position (ex. #3 Deep)

4) IF you change positions on the defense DURING the inning and it is not a sub, it is your responsibility to report the change. Scorekeepers are volunteers and this may be the first time someone is keeping score so...again, you want to save time and make sure your stats are correct then it is your job to help the scorekeepers know as soon as possible so that your playing time is not wasted later or issues do not arise after the game when you check the scoresheets and there are issues.

5) A coach or designated person for the team needs to come check the scoresheets BEFORE leaving the field at the end of the game to make sure everything is correct. If a team leaves the field without checking the stats and signing or initialing the scoresheet, they will not be able to correct them at a later date.

Scorekeepers

(note- apologies- I circle my runs. I know that many people circle the outs or strikeouts and so this may be a difference in what you see from yours)

1) Huge suggestion- use mechanical pencil (Cassie has these available for scorekeepers). We have tried to make as much space as possible for you to write the things that you need.

2) You have a limited space to write the player's name, suggestion is to write their first name and last initial. This will give you space if you need to write multiple DP for that player.

3) When the team reports each player's DP when they are on defense for the 1st inning, then write their positions in the DP column. To help this save time, you can go ask the coach while the umpire is doing the blindfold check.

Date: 12/3/22 Start Time 6:15pm

Team: Blue Team (Home)

#	Player	DP	1	2	3
2	David S.	D			
	DH				
	DF				
3	Axel C	M			
	DH				
	DF				
21	Mike C.	D			

Ex. David is Deep = D Axel is

Middle = M

Mike is Deep = D

NOTE—It is not in the rule that you mark what side/base side they play on. Do not take that on!

4) When players are put out, you will write P for putout, the player number and then their DP.

#	Player	DP	1	2	3
3	Axel C	M	(R)	(R)	(R) / (R) ^{11-D} P12
	DH				
	DF				

Ex.

Axel was put out by player #12 who was in the deep position so P12 with D is written in the box

5) If a player changes DP and is moved to another DP, the team reports it to you and you write that new DP next to the starting one OR below it (NOTE- if they change positions, it is NOT our job to mark them as a rover/utility player that is the STATS person who knows that if they are marked for more than one position to take that into account that they are a utility player and played multiple defensive positions)

Date: 12/3/22 Start Time 6:15pm

Team: Blue Team (Home)

#	Player	DP	1	2	3
2	David S.	DM	(R)(R)	(R) P24	P8 M
	DH				
	DF				

Ex.

David changed positions during the game and moved from Deep to Middle so a D and a M are in the DP column for him

6) If you have a person who did not play defense, like a DH, then you mark it as the following so that it is easily seen by you and the STATS person that they did not receive credit for any putouts that game.

10	DH Ron J		(R)	(R)(R)(R)	
20	DF Stanley	S			

Ex.

Ron was the DH or defensive hitter and Stanley was the Defensive Fielder so Ron was not in the field and did not have a DP