

PREGAME PREPARATION

Pre-game with Partners

1. Time of line-up card exchange
2. Equipment Check
3. Unusual ground rules or related field problems
4. Recent experience with either team
5. Unusual conference, league, tournament rules
6. Rotation – when will plate umpire rotate to 3rd or 1st
7. Review umpire communication signals
8. Fair and foul ball responsibilities
9. Outfield catch – no catch responsibility
10. Base umpire goes out, stay out.
11. Overthrow coverage, foul fly responsibility near dugouts
12. Runners touching and tagging up at
 - * First Base
 - * Second Base
 - * Third Base
13. Run Down (1st-2nd, 2nd-3rd, 3rd-home)
14. Infield fly duties
15. Putting the ball back in play
16. Check swings
17. Handling arguments and ejections
18. Field exit

Pre-game with Coaches

1. Introductions of umpires/managers
2. Review Line-up cards
3. Grounds Rules
4. 10 run rule
5. All items remain in dugouts
6. Pace of Game
7. Problems should only discussed with managers
8. Everyone properly equipped
9. No Jewelry
10. Backup player for pitcher warming up
11. Any questions