

Florida Dixie Youth Baseball Umpire Exam

Name: _____ District: _____ Date: _____

Exam Grade _____

Mark each question with a (T) TRUE or (F) FALSE answer. Any other marking may void your answer. All questions are related to Dixie Youth Baseball as outlined in the Official Dixie Youth Baseball Rule Guide Questions may be on both O Zone and Traditional DYB rules. The question will be marked if it pertains only to a particular division. The passing grade is Eighty (80). A grade below eighty will disqualify an umpire from calling in any State Dixie Youth Baseball Tournaments. NO EXCEPTIONS! There will be no makeup exam. Please take your time and read the entire question. This is an open book test.

_____ 1. A face guard may be used on a batters helmet but must be properly installed according to manufacturer's specifications.

_____ 2. All umpires shall report IN WRITING to the TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR before leaving the ballpark ANY violations leading to the disqualification of any manager, coach, player or DYB official and the reasons therefore.

_____ 3. A batter is out when - a third strike not caught by the catcher except for a foul tip. The batter shall be out and the ball shall remain in play and base runners shall advance at their own risk. DYB Minors and Majors only.

_____ 4. The barrel of all aluminum, metal alloy, composite, multi piece wood bats or single piece wood bats shall not exceed 2 5/8" in diameter nor exceed 33" in length.

_____ 5. A batter is out when – that batter attempts to hit a third strike and is touched by the ball unless the ball hits his hand(s).

_____ 6. If a runner leaves the base before the pitch reaches the plate, the BASE umpire(s) shall drop a signal flag (yellow) to indicate the violation at the time it occurs. Penalty: The defensive team shall have the privilege of nullifying ANY portion of the play that occurred after the violation. There are no exceptions to this rule. NOTE: This rule shall NOT apply to the Ozone division.

_____ 7. Two runners may not occupy a base, but if while the ball is alive two runners are touching the base the following runner shall be out WHEN TAGGED. The preceding runner is entitled to the base.

_____ 8. (Machine Pitch only) - The coach pitcher may coach or position the batter or the base runner prior to the delivery of the pitch.

_____ 9. (T-Ball Only) - There will be only two (2) defensive coaches allowed out of the dugouts at any time and they must remain behind the foul lines.

_____ 10. Players on the field or in the dugout area shall not wear jewelry of any kind for safety reasons. This includes bracelets, necklaces and piercings of any kind. Exception: Players may wear breakaway sports necklaces. Medical or religious tags or medallions may be worn if secured by tape.

_____ 11. Any runner is out when... the runner does not slide or attempt to get around a fielder who has the ball and is waiting to make the tag. NOTE: The ball is dead and other base-runners take bases they had reached "in the umpires judgment" when the violation occurred.

_____ 12. All non-wood bats and multi piece wood bats must be stamped with the USA baseball mark signifying that the bat meets the bat performance standard established by USA baseball

_____ 13. A batter who uses an illegal bat shall be called out and all runners shall return to the bases occupied by them at the time such batter took his position in the batter's box.

_____ 14. (Ozone Division Only) The batter becomes a runner when, the third strike called by the umpire is not caught, providing (1) first base is unoccupied or (2) when first base is occupied with two outs.

_____ 15. (Ozone Division Only) If there is a runner or runners on base it is a balk when; the pitcher while touching his plate feints a throw to first or third base and fails to complete the throw.

_____ 16. A pitcher shall be allowed to pitch in two or more games on the same day provided he/she does not throw more than 40 pitches in the first game nor more than 75 pitches (league age 10 and under) or 85 pitches (league age 11 or 12) in a day.

_____ 17. (Machine Pitch Only) Catchers must wear full catcher's protection equipment. The catcher must use a catcher's mitt.

_____ 18. The penalty for using the wrong size glove as a first baseman or fielder is that the illegal equipment must be removed from the game and an out is given on the play.

_____ 19. The pitchers glove may be of a contrasting color, including all stitching, lacing, and webbing. The pitchers glove may not, exclusive of the piping be white or gray, nor in the judgement of and umpire distracting in any way.

_____ 20. If removed from the offense while at bat for an injury, medical reason, or ejection the next batter will begin his bat and will assume the count of the removed player. If removed from offense while on base for an injury, medical reason, or ejection, the last preceding player not on base will run for the removed player.

_____ 21. **BALK: OZONE** – A balk in the Ozone division is an illegal act by the pitcher or the catcher with a runner or runners on base, entitling all runners to advance one base. The Ball is dead immediately.

_____ 22. A third visit during the same inning by a team manager or coach to talk to his **defensive** players while the same pitcher is on the mound will cause the pitcher's automatic removal from the game.

_____ 23. A game is considered a regulation game under the following conditions:

- a. A team is ahead by fifteen (15) runs after both teams have batted three (3) times or more and all players on both teams have batted at least once, or in the case of the home team when leading, two (2) times.
- b. A team is ahead by ten (10) runs after both teams have batted four (4) times and all players on both teams have batted at least once, or in case of the home team when leading three (3) times.

_____ 24. Offensive interference is an act by the team at bat which interferes with, obstructs, impedes, hinders or confuses any fielder attempting to make a play.

_____ 25. The strike zone is that area over home plate which is between the batter's armpits and the top of the knees when the batter assumes a natural stance.

_____ 26. (T-Ball only) - The ball is dead and all base runners must stop at the base the umpire rules they are entitled when the pitcher has possession of a thrown ball inside the twelve 12 foot diameter circle or if the pitcher fields a batted ball and does not throw the ball while inside the circle or when play comes to a natural end.

_____ 27. BALK: TRADITIONAL – A balk is an illegal act by the pitcher which shall be declared a no pitch. The ball is dead and all runners advance.

_____ 28. Players who are injured may participate in a game if their injury does not prevent them from either playing offence or playing defense.

_____ 29. A team or player may play in another tournament between Dixie Youth tournaments but not at the same time as a Dixie Youth tournament is being played.

_____ 30. A player removed because of injury or illness may not return to the game.