

## 2021 NYSSO Test

100% (50/50)

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- ✓ **1.** If a courtesy runner is used for the pitcher in the top of the 1<sup>st</sup> inning, that pitcher is required to pitch to one batter in the bottom of the 1<sup>st</sup> inning.  
1/1 POINT
- True
- False
- ✓ **2.** The penalty for an illegal pitch is a ball on the batter and all runners, both forced and unforced, move up one base.  
1/1 POINT
- True
- False
- ✓ **3.** B1 is struck by an illegal pitch. B1 is required to remain at bat with a ball added to her count.  
1/1 POINT
- True
- False
- ✓ **4.** The pitcher may only step back during her delivery if she initially started with both feet in contact with the pitcher's plate.  
1/1 POINT
- True
- False
- ✓ **5.** Helmets shall have a non-glare (not mirror-like) finish.  
1/1 POINT
- True
- False

- ✓ **6.** The official bat may bear the new USA Softball Certification Mark.  
1/1 POINT
- True  
 False
- ✓ **7.** The pitcher may take a position with her pivot foot in contact with the pitcher's plate and her non-pivot foot behind the pitcher's plate.  
1/1 POINT
- True  
 False
- ✓ **8.** Bats that contain the proper ASA/USA Certification Mark but also the USSSA Certification Mark are illegal.  
1/1 POINT
- True  
 False
- ✓ **9.** With R3 on 3rd base and 2 outs, B4 lays down a squeeze bunt. R3 crosses home plate. Then, B4 is called out for 3-foot lane interference. R3's run counts.  
1/1 POINT
- True  
 False
- ✓ **10.** Team A's head coach reports a change to the plate umpire. Team A's head coach then says, "I'll let them know" referring to the opposing team. This is the proper procedure.  
1/1 POINT
- True  
 False
- ✓ **11.** B1 hits an over-the-fence home run. As she rounds 3rd base and is heading home, she removes her helmet and tosses it in the air in celebration. B1 is ruled out for intentionally removing her helmet. This is the proper ruling.  
1/1 POINT
- True  
 False

- ✓ **12.** An offensive coach is yelling out location of pitches once he sees where the catcher is setting up. The umpires rule this to be unsporting conduct and issue a warning. This is the proper procedure.  
1/1 POINT
- T True
- F False
- ✓ **13.** An obstructed runner who chooses to go back rather than advance forward may never be awarded an additional base(s).  
1/1 POINT
- T True
- F False
- ✓ **14.** The plate umpire should instruct players to raise their hands if the player believes the ball has gone out of play.  
1/1 POINT
- T True
- F False
- ✓ **15.** With R3 on 3rd base, B1 receives a base-on-balls. B1 rounds 1st base and continues non-stop toward 2nd base. The look-back rule is in effect. One step prior to reaching 2nd base, B1 reverses direction and continues non-stop back to 1st base. B1 has violated the look-back rule.  
1/1 POINT
- T True
- F False
- ✓ **16.** When a runner abandons a base and enters the team area or leaves live ball territory:  
1/1 POINT
- A The ball is dead;
- B The runner is out;
- C Runners must return to the last base touched at the time of the infraction;
- D All of the above.

✓ **17.** When obstruction occurs:

1/1 POINT

- A** It must be called regardless of how minor or severe;
- B** The ball is delayed-dead;
- C** The obstructed runner is awarded the base(s) she would have reached, in the umpire's judgment, had obstruction not occurred;
- D** All of the above.

✓ **18.** Regarding the Look-Back Rule (a.k.a. Circle Rule):

1/1 POINT

- A** When a violation occurs, the ball is dead;
- B** Only one runner can be called out per play;
- C** A runner who is in motion when the rule goes into effect is permitted to stop once, then either proceed forward non-stop or retreat back non-stop;
- D** All of the above

✓ **19.** When batting out of order is properly appealed (after the at bat is completed and prior to the next pitch):

1/1 POINT

- A** She who should have batted is out;
- B** The incorrect batter's at bat is negated;
- C** Any outs recorded, other than on the incorrect batter, stand;
- D** All of the above

✓ **20.** If a game is tied after 9 innings (excluding regionals & states):

1/1 POINT

- A** The tiebreaker rule takes effect in the 10th inning;
- B** The batter scheduled to bat last in that half inning is placed on 2nd base
- C** If the player being placed on 2nd base is the pitcher or catcher, an eligible courtesy runner may be used.
- D** All of the above.

✓ **21.** Regarding the DP/Flex:

1/1 POINT

- A The DP and Flex may both be on defense at the same time;
- B The Flex may never be on offense only
- C The DP may never be on defense only
- D All of the above

✓ **22.** About the double first base:

1/1 POINT

- A Use of the double first base is optional.
- B A batted ball in flight that strikes the colored portion of the double first base is a fair ball.
- C A batted ball that strikes the white portion of the double first base is a fair ball.
- D On an extra base hit to the outfield, the runner must touch only the colored portion of the base.

✓ **23.** When a runner's interference prevents a fielder from catching a routine fly ball with ordinary effort:

1/1 POINT

- A Only the batter is out;
- B Only the runner is out;
- C Only a strike is charged to the batter if the ball is foul;
- D Both the runner and batter are out.

✓ **24.** Obstruction will be called:

1/1 POINT

- A With R1 on 1st base, F3 stands directly in the baseline between 1st base and 2nd base.
- B Whenever F2 and B1 collide after a batted ball.
- C When, on a safe hit to the outfield, F6 impedes the progress of R1 about ten feet behind the baseline;
- D All of the above.

- ✓ **25.** R1 is attempting to steal second base when the batter interferes with the catcher. The following ruling is correct:

1/1 POINT

- A If R1 is put out, the ball remains alive and in play;
- B R1 is out for the batter's interference;
- C The Ball is dead and the batter is out;
- D The defense has the option to have either R1 or the batter called out.

- ✓ **26.** Regarding COVID protocol, masks are optional.

1/1 POINT

- T True
- F False

- ✓ **27.** The plate umpire is permitted to call pitches from the pitcher's circle.

1/1 POINT

- T True
- F False

- ✓ **28.** Rather than performing a pre-game equipment check, umpires will confirm that the players are legally and properly equipped with a coach of each team.

1/1 POINT

- T True
- F False

- ✓ **29.** Umpires may wear a face shield or gaiter instead of a mask.

1/1 POINT

- T True
- F False

- ✓ **30.** The home team is responsible for providing game balls and proper ball rotation using proper COVID protocol.

1/1 POINT

- T True
- F False

✓ **31.** Umpire masks must be a solid color or officiating related.

1/1 POINT

T True

F False

✓ **32.** At the coaches' pre-game conference, only one coach per team is permitted, they will stand outside the batter's boxes and players are not permitted.

1/1 POINT

T True

F False

✓ **33.** Umpires are responsible for ensuring COVID protocol compliance within the team area.

1/1 POINT

T True

F False

✓ **34.** Individual schools, districts, counties and sections may have more stringent COVID protocol than those established by NYSPHSAA.

1/1 POINT

T True

F False

✓ **35.** Any umpire unwilling to comply with COVID protocol should not accept the assignment.

1/1 POINT

T True

F False

✓ **36.** A runner contacts a fielder who does not have a legitimate chance to make a play on a batted ball.

1/1 POINT

A The Ball is Alive and In Play

B Delayed Dead Ball

C Dead Ball

✓ **37.** A runner leaves her base prior to the release of the pitch.

1/1 POINT

- A The Ball is Alive and In Play
- B Delayed Dead Ball
- C Dead Ball

✓ **38.** An infield fly is declared.

1/1 POINT

- A The Ball is Alive and In Play
- B Delayed Dead Ball
- C Dead Ball

✓ **39.** While stepping on the plate, the batter swings but misses the pitch.

1/1 POINT

- A The Ball is Alive and In Play
- B Delayed Dead Ball
- C Dead Ball

✓ **40.** An obstructed runner is tagged out between the two bases where the obstruction occurred.

1/1 POINT

- A The Ball is Alive and In Play
- B Delayed Dead Ball
- C Dead Ball

✓ **41.** At the time plate umpire interference occurs.

1/1 POINT

- A The Ball is Alive and In Play
- B Delayed Dead Ball
- C Dead Ball

✓ **42.** While retreating, a leading runner passes a trailing runner.

1/1 POINT

- A The Ball is Alive and In Play
- B Delayed Dead Ball
- C Dead Ball



- ✓ **43.** A fair batted fly ball deflects off of the fence and strikes a fielder before going over the fence. The batter is awarded \_\_\_\_.
- 1/1 POINT
- A First Base
  - B Second Base
  - C Third Base
  - D Home
- ✓ **44.** B1 hits a long fly ball to center field. F8 throws her glove and strikes the ball, preventing the ball from going over the fence. B1 is awarded \_\_\_\_.
- 1/1 POINT
- A First Base
  - B Second Base
  - C Third Base
  - D Home
- ✓ **45.** With R2 on 2nd base, B3 is struck by an illegal pitch. R2 is awarded \_\_\_\_.
- 1/1 POINT
- A First Base
  - B Second Base
  - C Third Base
  - D Home
- ✓ **46.** Ball four goes out of play. BR is awarded \_\_\_\_.
- 1/1 POINT
- A First Base
  - B Second Base
  - C Third Base
  - D Home

- ✓ **47.** R1 on 1st base is attempting to steal 2nd base. F2's careless throw strikes B3's bat and the ball goes out of play. R1 is awarded \_\_\_\_.
- 1/1 POINT
- A First Base
  - B Second Base
  - C Third Base
  - D Home
- ✓ **48.** R1 from first base is attempting to steal second when B1 hits a ground ball to F6. F6 throws to first but the ball enters dead ball territory. At the time of the throw, R1 had already touched second base. R1 is awarded \_\_\_\_.
- 1/1 POINT
- A First Base
  - B Second Base
  - C Third Base
  - D Home
- ✓ **49.** R1 from first running on B1's long hit to the outfield is nearing third base and easily scored when the ball bounces over the outfield fence. R1 is awarded \_\_\_\_.
- 1/1 POINT
- A First Base
  - B Second Base
  - C Third Base
  - D Home
- ✓ **50.** F2 throws to F3 attempting to pickoff R1 at 1st base. Sliding back into 1st base, R1's foot knocks the ball out of F3's glove and the ball enters dead ball territory. R1 is awarded \_\_\_\_.
- 1/1 POINT
- A First Base
  - B Second Base
  - C Third Base
  - D Home