

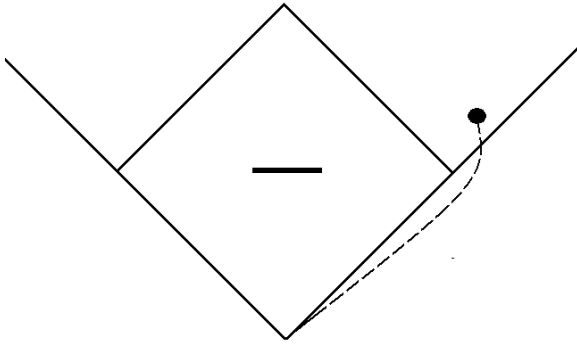
Alberta NUCP Umpire Exam

2010 Level 1 - Open Book Exam

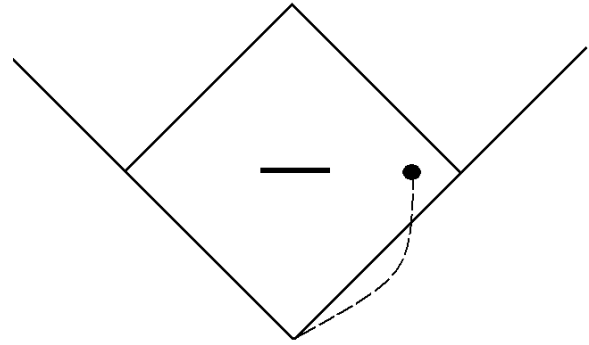
- 1) R1 is attempting to steal second, the catcher cocks his arm to throw to second base and accidentally strikes the umpire in the mask. This is umpire interference. The catcher hesitates briefly and then fires to second in time to nab R1. The out stands
- 2) R3. Catcher has a pass ball which comes to rest between the feet of the umpire. The umpire is not aware of this and accidentally kicks the ball away from the catcher. R3 crosses home plate. This is umpire interference.
- 3) Batter hits a home run over the fence with two out and the bases full. The BR misses first base while running the bases. A proper appeal is made to the umpire and the BR is called out. Three runs score.
- 4) R1 and R3. Pitcher delivers a wild pitch which leaves the playing area. Each runner is awarded one base.
- 5) R2 is running hard from second to third base when he is hit by a fair batted ball. The shortstop was waiting to field the ball. This is offensive interference. The ball is dead, the runner returns to second base and the batter is out.
- 6) Base runner misses second base while advancing. No player on the field notices it but it is called to attention of the second baseman by players on the bench. The ball is given to the second baseman who tags that base and appeals to the umpire for an out. This is legal.
- 7) The lines of the batter's box are part of the batter's box.
- 8) A batted ball which first strikes the ground behind home plate and then rolls untouched into fair territory is a foul ball.
- 9) On a foul tip the ball is dead.
- 10) Appeals on a half swing may be made on either a ball or strike and the plate umpire must refer to the base umpire for his judgment.
- 11) The batter is hit by a pitch. The ball is dead.
- 12) The ball can be either alive or dead when the defense makes an appeal for a missed base.
- 13) When a foul ball is not caught, the ball is dead and runners return.
- 14) The batter is out if he bunts foul on a third strike.
- 15) The pitcher can take his signs while on the rubber or while straddling the rubber.
- 16) One out, Jones on third, Smith on first, and Brown flies out to right field. Two outs. Jones tags up and scores after the catch. Smith attempted to return to first but the right fielder's throw beat him to the base. Three outs. But Jones scored before the throw to catch Smith reached first base, hence Jones' run counts. It was not a force play.
- 17) R2. A routine ground ball to the shortstop strikes R2 advancing from second to third. The base umpire declares R2 out for interference and the ball is dead.
- 18) After the umpire declares a foul ball, all runners must tag up.

- 19) No runners. Batted ball is overthrown into dead ball territory before the batter runner reaches first base. The umpire rules one base from the time of the pitch and awards batter first base.
- 20) No runners. Batted ball is overthrown into dead ball territory. The pitcher must have the ball in his possession, be on the rubber and the plate umpire calls "play" to create a live ball.
- 21) An outfielder is running toward the foul line when he touches a fly ball over fair territory but deflects the ball into foul territory where it falls to the ground. This is a foul ball.
- 22) A pitch bounces in the dirt and then hits the batter on the leg. This is a "hit by pitch" batter and the batter is awarded first base.
- 23) It is an infield fly situation if there are runners at first and second base or the bases are loaded and there are less than two out.
- 24) Mosquito Baseball and Major Little League. R1 with two out. Strike three is not caught by the catcher. The batter may run to first base.
- 25) Second baseman catches a line drive which has deflected off the pitcher's glove. This is a catch.
- 26) Second baseman catches a line drive which has deflected off a runner. This is a catch.
- 27) The left fielder makes the catch, immediately crashes into the wall and drops the ball. This is a catch.
- 28) R1 and R2 with one out. The batter bunts the ball and it is popped up high in the air and is caught by the pitcher. This is an infield fly.
- 29) R1. The pitcher starts to deliver the pitch but stops when his hat slides off his head. Dead ball. This is not a balk.
- 30) The Strike Zone shall be determined from the batter's stance as the batter is prepared to swing at a pitched ball.
- 31) The batter shall be awarded second base on any bounding ball that goes through or over the outfield fence.
- 32) Any runner is out when he runs more than five feet away from his baseline to avoid being tagged.
- 33) R1 with a ground ball hit to the second baseman. R1 running hard to 2nd base, trips and accidentally bumps into the 2nd baseman as he is fielding the ball. This is accidental interference so the ball is dead and R1 is returned to 1st base and the batter is called out.
- 34) Runners are instructed to slide or attempt to avoid making contact with a fielder. If a player who maliciously runs into another player is to be declared out.

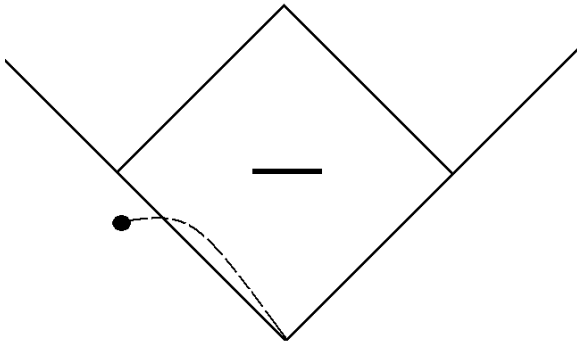
Questions 35 to 43. Based on the following diagrams, determine whether the **Ground Ball** (see Rule 2.00 – Ground Ball) is a fair ball or a foul ball. Rule 2.00 (Fair Ball, Foul Ball, Fair Territory, Foul Territory)



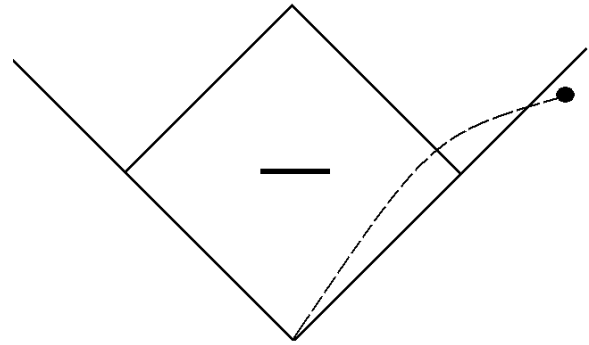
35) This is a Fair Ball.



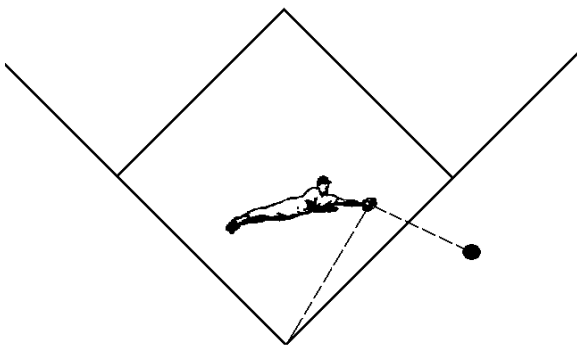
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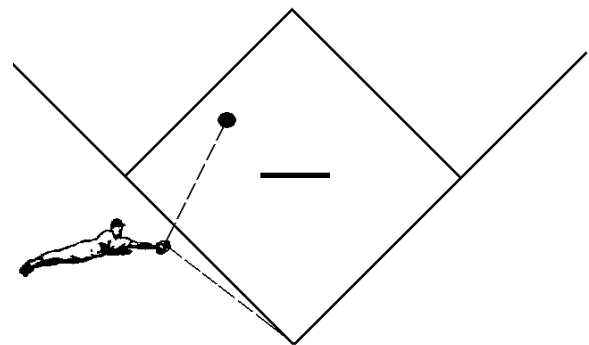
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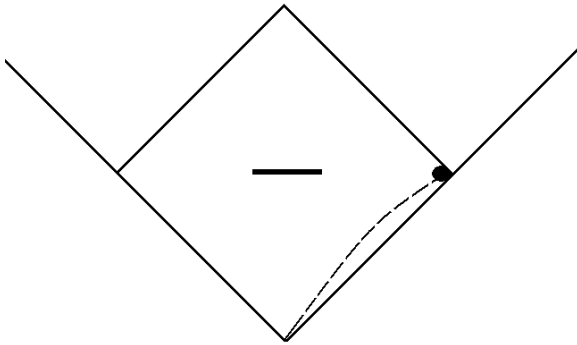
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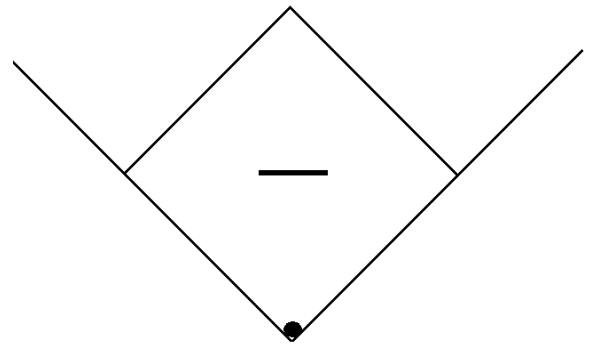
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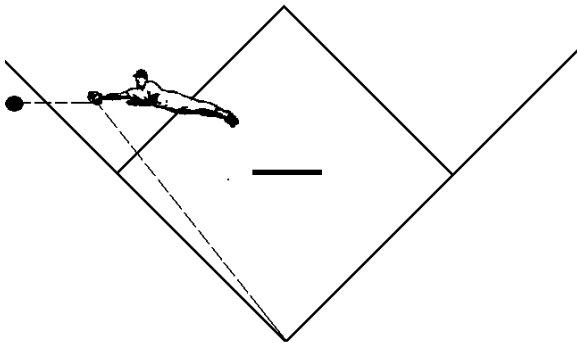
40) This is a Fair Ball.



41) This is a Fair Ball.
 Note: The ball hit first base.

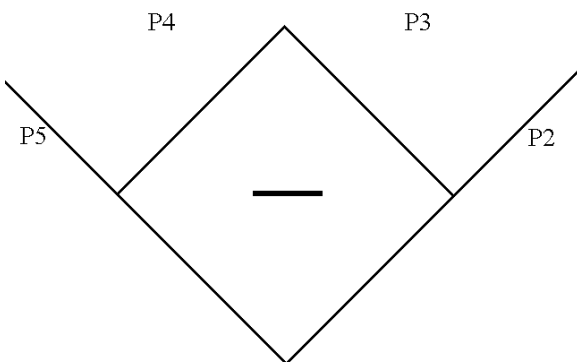


42) This is a Fair Ball.
 Note: The ball settles on home plate.

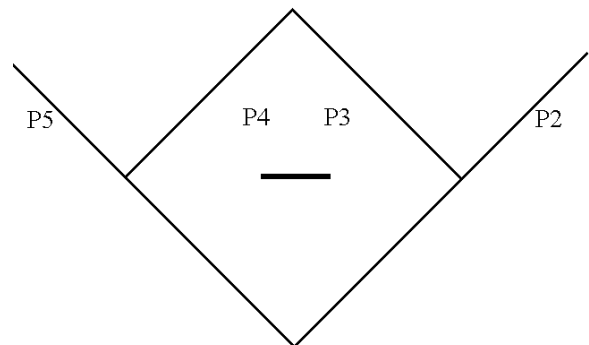


43) This is a Fair Ball.

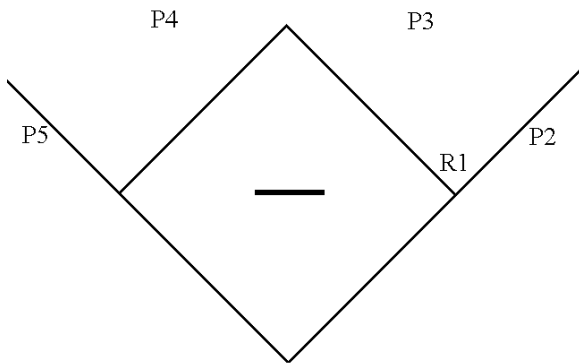
Questions 44 to 49. Starting positions P2, P3, P4 and P5. Based on the diagrams and the statement below, state whether each statement is true or false. “No Leadoff” baseball does not allow leadoffs until the ball has reached the batter. “No Leadoff” baseball is normally played on a 60 foot diamond. “Leadoff” baseball allows leadoffs.



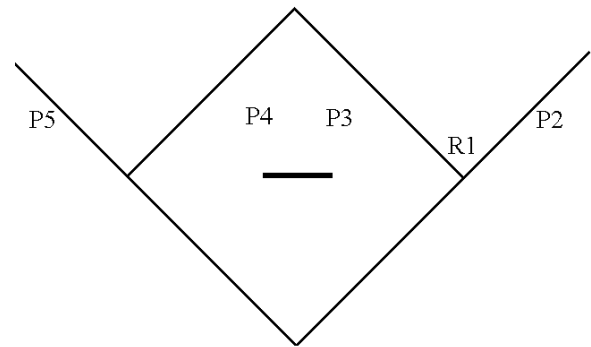
44) No Leadoff – No Runners
 U1 should be at position P2



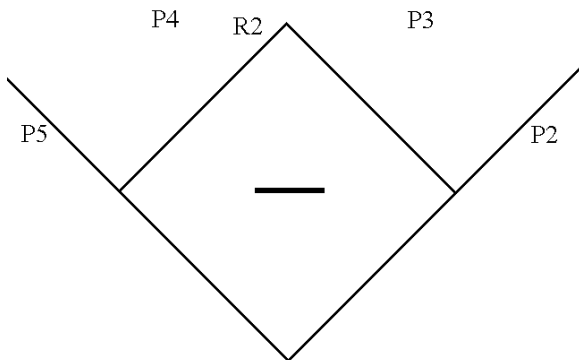
45) Leadoff – No Runners
 U1 should be at position P2



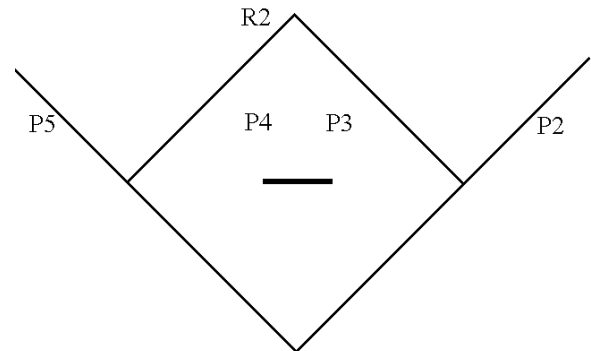
46) No Leadoff – Runner on First
U1 should be at position P3



47) Leadoff – Runner on First
U1 should be at position P3



48) No Leadoff – Runner on Second
U1 should be at position P4



49) Leadoff – Runners on First and Second
U1 should be at position P4

50) R1. Two umpire system. On a base hit, the umpire must evaluate if it is necessary to go to third base to make a call on R1. The plate umpire must be at position P15 to properly determine if it is necessary to go to third base. True or False.

