

Peninsula Umpires Association

Two Umpire Mechanics

The three most important words to remember:

Pause → Where is the ball? Where are the players?

Read → Who & Where is making the play?

React → **Get to your position!**

An Umpire's Order of Responsibilities are:

1. Fair or Foul Decision
2. Catch / No Catch
3. Safe / Out

Standard Abbreviations:

UIC – Plate Umpire	BR	Batter-runner
U1 Field Umpire	1R	Runner at 1 st
RF Right Field	2R	Runner at 2 nd
CF Center Field	3R	Runner at 3 rd
LF Left Field		

Field Positions

Position A – in foul territory 10-12 feet behind the 1st baseman unless he's in front of the base, then gauge 10-12 feet from 1st base itself – never go in front of the base.

Position B – Half way between pitcher's mound and 2nd base on the 1st base side of the field such that there is a straight line between you, the edge of the mound and home plate. Your stance should be square to Home Plate. Take this position with runner on 1st base ONLY.

Position C – Same as B but on the 3rd base side. Take this position with runners at base(s) other than just a runner on 1st base.

Basic Principles

Angle is **primary**, distance secondary. Always work to get your best angle on a play first – then if possible, improve your distance.

The Plate Umpire (UIC) will move. Helping on a **pulled foot** at 1st... helping with a **swipe tag**... helping on **slides** at 2nd... covering **plays at 3rd**... obstruction/interference up to the 45' line... the UIC is responsible for much more than balls and strikes.

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Basic Outfield Coverage

Four conditions that require U1 to go to the outfield:

1. The outfielder turns his back to run toward the outfield fence (Center or Right)
2. Multiple players converging on a fly ball
3. A catch being made below the waist (possible trap)(Center or Right Fielder)
4. Right Fielder moving toward the foul line and possible fair/foul decision

If in doubt, go out on fly balls in your coverage area.

1. If you are going out, go out hard
2. Leave no doubt in your partners mind about whether or not you are going out
3. Signal your partner by raising your arm and calling **“I’M GOING OUT”** if you go out
4. Once you go out, do not return to the infield for a play. If the ball is dropped, return to Home Plate (on foul territory) for any play on the batter-runner there after ruling no catch. If caught, make your **“OUT”** call and return to Position A.

Balks

UIC should concentrate on the pitcher engaging the rubber properly (hands apart), upper body motions, coming to a stop and/or any movements not consistent with his pitching motion, which in your judgment may deceive the runner.

U1 should concentrate on proper footing on the rubber, gaining distance and direction on a jump turn and any illegal movements, which in your judgment may deceive the runner.

Either the UIC or U1 can call a balk, for NFHS, the proper mechanic is to call **“TIME”**, then call **“THAT’S A BALK”**. Any other level, the proper mechanic is **“THAT’S A BALK”** then wait until the end of the play to call time. In both instances, point to the infraction as it happens.

Rundown Plays

Single Rundowns: U1 has all calls until UIC reaches 1st or 3rd and the runner is running toward 2nd base. At that time, the UIC communicates, **“I’VE GOT THIS END”** or **“I’VE GOT THIS HALF”**. If the runner is tagged running toward U1, U1 has the call. If the runner is running toward the UIC, the UIC has the call. The same applies for Obstruction, Interference or running outside the 3-foot lane. Eye contact is imperative when in doubt.

Double Rundowns: U1 has all the calls. UIC remains at home for a possible play there.

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NO RUNNERS ON BASE

UIC Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** Up to but not including 1st Base and from Home Plate to Left Field fair pole.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield:** Center fielder moving toward the LF and Left Fielder moving to Foul Line, **only** if U1 goes out. Otherwise all outfield fly balls where there is not a trouble ball and U1 goes out belong to the UIC. Move toward ball to make the call – if ball is caught, your call is **“OUT”**. On base hits, observe the no catch and return home.
3. **Plays Within the Infield:** Go around the catcher in fair territory toward 1st base up to the 45’ line to assist U1 on swipe tag or pulled foot. All tags, interference / obstruction calls up to the 45’ line.
4. **Overthrow by Infielder:** Observe the ball and rule if it enters dead-ball territory – call **“TIME”** and award bases accordingly.
5. **Fly Balls & Line Drives to Infield:** All infield catches where infielders are moving toward LF, Home Plate or 3rd base belong to the UIC.
6. **Trouble Balls to Outfield:** Move to infield and cover all touches and plays at all bases. Listen for U1 to communicate, **“I’VE GOT HOME”** otherwise the UIC covers the Plate.
7. **Check Swing Request:** Go for help when requested – don’t argue. The proper mechanics are to remove the mask (with left hand) and point the mask toward your partner and ask, **“DID HE GO?”** When the timing is crucial, you may not have time to take off the mask... speak up and use the **left hand for information** - make the call immediately. If you know the check swing is a strike, your call is **“YES HE DID”** or **“HE WENT”** pointing to the batter with your left hand as you make the call.

U1 Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** All balls that hit 1st Base to Right Field fair pole.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield:** U1 dictates outfield coverage (by going out on trouble ball) having Center Fielder straight in/back or toward RF out of play. If not a trouble ball, pivot, see the touch at 1st base, find the ball and cover the batter-runner on all bases.
3. **Plays Within the Infield:** Move to a 90-degree angle from throw to rule on plays at 1st. All tags, obstruction and interference calls from the 45’ line to 1st base. Before calling the out, make sure the 1st baseman has secure possession of the ball and has **intentionally and voluntarily** removed the ball from the glove – until then... you don’t have a catch.
4. **Overthrow by Infielder:** Enter the field (no pivot) cover all plays at all bases.
5. **Fly Balls & Line Drives to Infield:** All infield catches where 1st, 2nd or Short Stop are moving toward RF or 1st Base.

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6. **Trouble Balls to Outfield:** Communicate with your partner **“I’M GOING OUT”**. Rule on batted ball – if not caught return on foul side of field to cover Home Plate. Once at Home Plate communicate to your partner **“I’VE GOT HOME”** - otherwise if the ball is caught, call the **“OUT”** and return to position A.
7. **Check Swing Request:** When asked by the UIC and only the UIC, respond with either a Safe signal and a **“NO HE DID NOT”** or an Out signal and a **“YES HE DID”**. A batter is said to have “swung” if the barrel of the bat goes past the body of the batter and in your judgment, the batter tried to strike the ball. Home Plate may not have a bearing on the call depending on the position of the batter.

RUNNER ON 1ST BASE

UIC Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** Has responsibility for all balls on the 3rd base and 1st base line up to the fair pole.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Left fielder moving toward the LF foul line and the Right Fielder moving to the RF foul line. If fair and close to Foul line, signal Fair and then signal & verbal the **“OUT”**. If foul, signal Foul by pointing foul and signal **“OUT”**, no verbal.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** UIC moves to “the library” communicating **“I’VE GOT THIRD IF HE COMES”** and reads R1, the ball and the fielder then if there’s a play at 3rd, move to the best position to rule on a play there communicating **“I’VE GOT THIRD”**. If there’s an overthrow, UIC retreats (in fair territory) to cover the play at the plate. **Never cross the runner’s path.**
4. **Batted Ball Down the RF line:** On any batted ball within the Home Plate area or near the 1st base line, UIC must remain near the foul line to rule on fair/foul decision and to observe the BR within the running lane. Communicate to U1 **“I’M ON THE LINE”** indicating that you cannot cover R1 at 3rd base. If fly ball is caught, move to 1st base for a possible play there on R1 returning.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the “V”:** Move toward 1st base. If ball is dropped, rotate to 3rd for a possible play there by R1.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** Move to the 3rd base side of the mound to assist U1 on the force slide at 2nd by R1. UIC also has secondary responsibility for assisting U1 on a swipe tag/or pulled foot at 1st base.
7. **Overthrow by Infielder:** Same for all scenarios. Observe the ball and call **“TIME”** if it leaves the playing field. If R1 attempts to advance to Home Plate, UIC must retreat (in fair territory) to cover the play at the plate. **Never cross the runner’s path.**
8. **Fly Balls & Line Drives to Infield:** Same for all scenarios with runners on. 1st and 3rd moving toward foul lines and pitcher moving toward Home Plate.

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U1 Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** No fair/foul responsibilities.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Outfield coverage from the Left Fielder straight in/back to the right Fielder straight in/back. “V” from the pitcher’s mound toward RF and LF. U1 retreats and observes R1 and BR. U1 has all plays on the bases.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** U1 has touches and plays at 1st and 2nd by R1 and BR. If there is an overthrow at 3rd, U1 has that call as well as all plays on BR at all bases.
4. **Batted Ball Down RF Line:** U1 has the tag up and all plays at all bases except if a fly ball is caught, UIC moves to 1st base for a possible play on R1 returning there.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the “V”:** View the catch, make the “**OUT**” call and be prepared for a throw back to 1st base plus any plays at 2nd and 3rd.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** Step in the direction of the batted ball, let it turn you and read the play moving into best position to rule on initial play at any base. U1 has all plays at 1st and 2nd base.
7. **Overthrow by Infielder:** Same for all scenarios. U1 has all plays at 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.
8. **Fly Balls & Line Drives to Infield:** Same for all scenarios with runner on. All plays by Short Stop and 2nd baseman moving in all directions and pitcher moving toward 2nd base.

RUNNERS ON 1ST AND 2ND

UIC Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** Has responsibility for all balls on the 3rd base and 1st base line up to the fair pole.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Left fielder moving toward the LF foul line and the Right Fielder moving to the RF foul line. UIC moves to “the library” while reading R2, and the ball communicating “**I’VE GOT THIRD IF HE TAGS**”. If a play develops at 3rd, move to the best position to make the call. If there’s an overthrow, UIC retreats (in fair territory) to cover the play at the plate. **Never cross the runner’s path.**
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** UIC observes the touch at 3rd by R2 and remains at Home Plate for a play.
4. **Batted Ball Down the RF line:** On any batted ball within the Home Plate area or near the 1st base line, UIC must remain near the foul line to rule on fair/foul decision and to observe the BR within the running lane. Communicate to U1 “**I’M ON THE LINE**” indicating that you cannot cover R1 at 3rd base. If fly ball is caught, move to 1st base for a possible play there on R1 returning.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the “V”:** UIC moves to “the library” while reading R2, and the ball communicating “**I’VE GOT THIRD IF HE TAGS**”. If a play develops at 3rd, move to

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the best position to make the call. If there's an overthrow, UIC retreats (in fair territory) to cover the play at the plate. **Never cross the runner's path.**

6. **Plays Within the Infield:** Move to the best position (in foul territory) to assist U1 on the force slide at 2nd by R1. UIC is responsible for the touch at 3rd by R2 and R1. UIC also has secondary responsibility for assisting U1 on a swipe tag/or pulled foot at 1st base. If a play develops at Home Plate take 1st or 3rd Base Extended to rule on the play and prevent "**straight lining**" which blocks your view.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) outs, communicate the timing play signal followed by pointing to Home Plate indicating that you will stay at Home Plate.

U1 Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** No fair/foul responsibilities.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Outfield coverage from the Left Fielder straight in/back to the right Fielder straight in/back. "V" from the pitcher's mound toward RF and LF. Observe R1 and R2 tag ups, read the runners and the throw and move to a position to rule on all plays at 2nd and 1st.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** Responsible for all touches at 1st and 2nd. U1 reads the runners, the throw and moves to the best position to rule on all plays.
4. **Batted Ball Down RF Line:** U1 has the tag up and all plays at all bases except if a fly ball is caught, UIC moves to 1st base for a possible play on R1 returning there.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the "V":** Move to the best position to view the catch and the tag ups by R1 and R2. Read the play and move to the best position to make the call.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** U1 moves into the best position to rule on initial plays on all the bases. If there is a second play at 3rd, U1 has the responsibility for R2 advancing.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) out communicate the timing play signal. U1 has all decisions at the bases.

BASES LOADED

UIC Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** Has responsibility for all balls on the 3rd base and 1st base line up to the fair pole.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Left fielder moving toward the LF foul line and the Right Fielder moving to the RF foul line. UIC moves to the best position to see the catch and the tag up at 3rd base. Move to position to rule on a play at Home Plate.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** UIC observes the touch at 3rd by R3, R2 and R1 and remains at Home Plate for all plays.

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4. **Batted Ball Down the RF line:** UIC moves to the best position to view both the catch at RF and the tag up by R3 at 3rd base (first base line extended as needed).
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the “V”:** Move to a position to best view R3’s tag up at 3rd base and return to Home Plate for all plays there.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** Move to the best position (in foul territory) to assist U1 on the force slide at 2nd by R1. UIC is responsible for the touch at 3rd by R2 and R1. UIC also has secondary responsibility for assisting U1 on a swipe tag/or pulled foot at 1st base. If a play develops at Home Plate take 1st or 3rd Base Extended to rule on the play and prevent “*straight lining*” which blocks your view.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) outs, communicate the timing play signal followed by pointing to Home Plate indicating that you will stay at Home Plate.

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1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** No fair/foul responsibilities.
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3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** Responsible for all touches at 1st and 2nd. U1 reads the runners, the throw and moves to the best position to rule on all plays.
4. **Batted Ball Down RF Line:** U1 has the tag up and all plays at all bases except if a fly ball is caught, UIC moves to 1st base for a possible play on R1 returning there.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the “V”:** Move to the best position to view the catch and the tag ups by R1 and R2. Read the play and move to the best position to make the call.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** U1 moves into the best position to rule on initial plays on all the bases. If there is a second play at 3rd, U1 has the responsibility for R2 advancing.
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RUNNERS ON 1ST AND 3RD

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3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** Move toward “the library” while observing R3’s touch at Home Plate communicating “T’VE GOT THIRD IF HE COMES” then if

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there's a play at 3rd, move to the best position to rule on a play there communicating "**T'VE GOT THIRD**". If there's an overthrow, UIC retreats (in fair territory) to cover the play at the plate. **Never cross the runner's path.**

4. **Batted Ball Down the RF line:** UIC moves to the best position to view both the catch at RF and the tag up by R3 at 3rd base (first base line extended as needed).
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the "V":** Move to a position to best view R3's tag up at 3rd base and return to Home Plate for all plays there.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** Move to a position to assist U1 on the slide at 2nd base by R1 from foul territory as you move to "the library" looking back to observe R3 touching Home Plate communicating to your partner that "**T'VE GOT THIRD IF HE COMES**". The UIC has secondary responsibility for assisting U1 on swipe tag and pulled foot at 1st base. Read the ball, runner and player and move to the best position to rule on a play at 3rd on R1 while communicating, "**T'VE GOT THIRD**". If a play develops at Home Plate, the UIC retreats (in fair territory) to cover the play at the plate. **Never cross the runner's path.**
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) outs, communicate the timing play signal followed by pointing to Home Plate indicating that you will stay at Home Plate.

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3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** Responsible for all touches at 1st and 2nd. U1 reads the runners, the throw and moves to the best position to rule on all plays.
4. **Batted Ball Down RF Line:** U1 has the tag up and all plays at all bases except if a fly ball is caught, UIC moves to 1st base for a possible play on R1 returning there.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the "V":** View the catch, make the "**OUT**" call and be prepared for a throw back to 1st base plus any plays at 2nd and 3rd.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** Step in the direction of the batted ball, let it turn you and read the play moving into best position to rule on initial play at any base. U1 has all plays at 1st and 2nd base.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) out communicate the timing play signal. U1 has all decisions at the bases.

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RUNNER ON 2ND

UIC Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** Has responsibility for all balls on the 3rd base and 1st base line up to the fair pole.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Left fielder moving toward the LF foul line and the Right Fielder moving to the RF foul line. UIC moves to the best position to see the catch and make the "**OUT**" call.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** UIC observes R2's touch of 3rd and has all plays at Home Plate.
4. **Batted Ball Down the RF line:** UIC moves to the best position to view the catch at RF then returns to Home Plate.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the "V":** Move toward 3rd base, after the catch, return to Home Plate. UIC responsible for touch at 3rd by R2.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** The UIC observes the action at 1st base to assist on swipe tag, pulled foot, obstruction/interference (up to 45' line). UIC is responsible for the touch at 3rd by R2. Return to Home Plate in case of a play.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) outs, communicate the timing play signal followed by pointing to Home Plate indicating that you will stay at Home Plate.

U1 Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** No fair/foul responsibilities.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Outfield coverage from the Left Fielder straight in/back to the right Fielder straight in/back. "V" from the pitcher's mound toward RF and LF. Observe R2 tag up, read the runner and the throw and move to a position to rule on all plays on all bases.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** Responsible for all touches at 1st and 2nd. U1 reads the runners, the throw and moves to the best position to rule on all plays.
4. **Batted Ball Down RF Line:** Same as with Runner at 1st plus responsible for R2 tagging up if the ball is caught and all plays on the bases.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the "V":** Move to the best position to view the catch and the tag up by R2 and to rule on all plays on the bases after reading the runner.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** U1 moves to the best position to rule on initial plays at 1st, 2nd or 3rd base as well as any secondary play on the bases.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) out communicate the timing play signal. U1 has all decisions at the bases.

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RUNNERS ON 2ND AND 3RD

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1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** Has responsibility for all balls on the 3rd base and 1st base line up to the fair pole.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Left fielder moving toward the LF foul line and the Right Fielder moving to the RF foul line. UIC moves to the best position to see the catch and the tag up at 3rd base. Move to position to rule on a play at Home Plate.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** UIC observes the touch at 3rd by R3, R2 and R1 and remains at Home Plate for all plays.
4. **Batted Ball Down the RF line:** UIC moves to the best position to view both the catch at RF and the tag up by R3 at 3rd base (first base line extended as needed).
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the "V":** Move to a position to best view R3's tag up at 3rd base and return to Home Plate for all plays there.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** The UIC moves to the best position to rule on a play at Home Plate. Has secondary responsibility for assisting U1 on swipe tag, pulled foot, obstruction/interference (up to 45' line). UIC is responsible for all touches at 3rd.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) outs, communicate the timing play signal followed by pointing to Home Plate indicating that you will stay at Home Plate.

U1 Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** No fair/foul responsibilities.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Outfield coverage from the Left Fielder straight in/back to the right Fielder straight in/back. "V" from the pitcher's mound toward RF and LF. Observe R2 tag up, read the runner and the throw and move to a position to rule on all plays on all bases.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** Responsible for all touches at 1st and 2nd. U1 reads the runners, the throw and moves to the best position to rule on all plays.
4. **Batted Ball Down RF Line:** U1 has the tag up and all plays at all bases except if a fly ball is caught, UIC moves to 1st base for a possible play on R1 returning there.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the "V":** Move to the best position to view the catch and the tag up by R2 and to rule on all plays on the bases after reading the runner.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** U1 moves to the best position to rule on all plays at all bases.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) out communicate the timing play signal. U1 has all decisions at the bases.

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RUNNER ON 3RD

UIC Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** Has responsibility for all balls on the 3rd base and 1st base line up to the fair pole.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Left fielder moving toward the LF foul line and the Right Fielder moving to the RF foul line. UIC moves to the best position to see the catch and the tag up at 3rd base. Move to position to rule on a play at Home Plate.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** UIC remains at Home Plate for a play on R3.
4. **Batted Ball Down the RF line:** UIC moves to the best position to view both the catch at RF and the tag up by R3 at 3rd base (first base line extended as needed).
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the "V":** Move to a position to best view R3's tag up at 3rd base and return to Home Plate for all plays there.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** The UIC observes the action at 1st base to assist on swipe tag, pulled foot, obstruction/interference (up to 45' line). Stay in foul territory. Return to Home Plate in case of a play.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) outs, communicate the timing play signal followed by pointing to Home Plate indicating that you will stay at Home Plate.

U1 Responsibilities

1. **Fair / Foul Decision:** No fair/foul responsibilities.
2. **Fly Balls to Outfield Caught:** Outfield coverage from the Left Fielder straight in/back to the right Fielder straight in/back. "V" from the pitcher's mound toward RF and LF. UIC has R3 tag up to Home Plate you have the throw back to 3rd if R3 does not tag up.
3. **Fly Balls to Outfield Not Caught:** U1 has all plays in all bases. Responsible for seeing the touch by the batter-runner at 1st.
4. **Batted Ball Down RF Line:** Observes the ball and players and has any play back at 3rd.
5. **Fly Ball Caught in the "V":** Move to the best position to view the catch – make the call. UIC has R3 tag up to Home Plate you have the throw back to 3rd if runner does not tag up.
6. **Plays Within the Infield:** U1 moves to the best position to rule on all plays at all bases.
7. **Timing Play:** With two (2) out communicate the timing play signal. U1 has all decisions at the bases.