

Evaluation Plate Mechanics

Evaluatee:	Evaluator:	Level/Teams/Score:	
1. Pre & Post Game Duties	Comments	Point Reduction – Scoring Guide	
Arrival and Pre-Game Conference (15)		_____ - 5 _____ - 10 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1	Late –Less than 30 minutes before game time. Not done or Completed but did not discuss/do a review of: a) Fly ball coverage. b) Foul line/dead ball area coverage. c) Illegal pitch rules & call responsibilities. d) Tag up responsibility, missed base coverage & appeal procedures. e) Check swing mechanics. f) Keeping track of counts/outs & warm-up pitches. g) Partner communications. h) Field inspection and ground rules. i) Pregame conference procedure. j) Non-verbal mechanics.
Uniform (14)		_____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 5	Pants incorrect, faded, or wrinkled. Undershirt is not white or it is exposed. Shirt incorrect, soiled, frayed, or wrinkled. Jacket incorrect, soiled, wrinkled or worn. - If worn, must be buttoned or zipped. Belt a color other than black or adorned buckle. Socks a color other than navy blue or black. Not wearing identical ball bag color combinations. Hat dirty or off color. Not solid black and/or dirty.
Equipment (20)		_____ - 5 _____ - 5 _____ - 5 _____ - 5	Did not bring a pen or pencil. Did not bring an indicator or brush. Facemask does not have a protector or extended frame. Ball bag(s) faded, soiled, or wrinkled.
Field Inspection (10)		_____ - 10	Not done.
Plate Conference (10)		_____ - 1 _____ - 2 _____ - 5 _____ - 1 _____ - 1	Failure to conduct introductions. After checking line up cards, does not request verbal verification of the written lineup or ask for any changes. Does not ask for verification of the uniform, jewelry and equipment. Does not discuss sportsmanship. Does not review the ground rules (lead by the home coach).
Leaving the Field and Post Game Conference (10)		_____ - 2 _____ - 3 _____ - 5	Not leaving the field with your partner(s). Responds to the coaches, players, and/or fans' comments when leaving the field. No post game review of possible rule infractions, incorrect mechanics, coverage's, etc.
Possible Points: 79		Points Lost:	

2. Plate Mechanics			
Lineup Card Maintenance (10)		_____ - 4 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2	Doesn't properly record changes. Does not record conferences. Does not verbalize and signal # of conferences to the coach. Exposed pen/Pencil in the shirt pocket.
Brushing Home Plate (10)		_____ - 3 _____ - 3 _____ - 3 _____ - 1	Does not use a brush. Does not call time. Takes a position other than facing the backstop. Steps in front of the batter.
Signaling "Play Ball" (10)		_____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2	Does not visually check to see if their partner is ready. Does not consistently "hold" the pitcher as the batter readies herself. Uses the incorrect hand to "hold" the pitcher. Does not consistently signal, "Play ball" after a dead ball or time out. Uses wrong hand to indicate.
Proper Stance (10)		_____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2	Does not set one foot first behind the catcher, square shoulders to outside corner of plate, the other closest to batter to achieve heel to toe alignment. Does not consistently bend at knees. Bends at waist, i.e. leans in. Positioning in relationship to the catcher. Does not set their eyes at the top of the strike zone. Hides behind catcher.
Records Balls/Strikes/Outs (10)		_____ - 4 _____ - 2 _____ - 3 _____ - 1	Did not use an indicator. Does not consistently give the signal from behind the catcher. Does not signal balls & strikes w/both arms raised above the head. Does not consistently rotate hands
Mask (10)		_____ - 3 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 1	Hangs on fence or places it on the ground prior to start of & during game. Hat consistently comes off when removing the mask. Does not consistently remove the mask during a play. Does not remove the mask when talking to the coach. Does not replace the mask before signaling, "play ball."

Pitch / Ball, Strike, Swinging Strike, Illegal, Hit By (60)		<p>_____ - 10 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 3 _____ - 3 _____ - 3 _____ - 3 _____ - 3 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 4 _____ - 4 _____ - 3 _____ - 3 _____ - 1 _____ - 3 _____ - 2</p>	<p>Inconsistent strike zone. Does not verbalize the “ball” or “non-swinging strike”. Consistently verbalizes swinging strike. Consistently signals location of the pitch. Consistently rises up simultaneously and/or too quickly Does not verbalize “Ball 4” or “Strike 3” with a strong voice. Signals safe, out or a point to 1st base. Does not give hammer like motion to indicate the strike. Does not end up facing the field on a called strike three. Does “Rip Out” on swinging strike 3 Does not remove mask, step away from the catcher, and point to his partner to ask for help. If judged it was a swing, does not point at the batter, does not verbalize “You Went” or “Offered”, does not signal strike. If judged it was an attempted bunt, does not point at the batter, does not verbalize “You Went” or “Offered”, does not signal strike. Does not indicate a foul tip and/or not with arms extended at chest level, a swipe of the back of the left hand followed by strike signal. Does not verbalize “Dead Ball” when the batter is hit by a pitch. Following verbal “dead ball” does not indicate hit by pitch with a point to 1st base. Does not recognize the illegal pitches. If recognized, not signaled or signaled with wrong arm. If recognized, not verbalized. If appropriate, does not give the offensive coach the option of the play or the award.</p>
Moves/ Clears Catcher (10)		<p>_____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 1 _____ - 2 _____ - 1</p>	<p>Consistently clears on wrong side of catcher. Consistently does not remove mask. Takes eyes off ball, loses ball status. Looks for ball instead of reacting/eyeing the catcher. Does not follow catcher on balls close to fence or backstop. When required, including walks does not follow batter-runner properly up the 1st base line. With Pitcher in ready to pitch position, if "TIME" is requested and granted by the batter or catcher, does not step out from behind catcher, opposite batter, to call it.</p>
Fly Ball (10)		<p>_____ - 3 _____ - 1 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2</p>	<p>Does not move to the proper position. Does not indicate with "OUT" signal. Does not verbalize "OUT" and/or verbalizes "CATCH." Consistently does not give the "SAFE" signal. If ball is not caught, verbalizes "NO CATCH.”</p>
Covers 3rd Base (10)		<p>_____ - 6 _____ - 4</p>	<p>Consistently does not rotate to cover 3rd base when appropriate. Consistently does not verbalize that they have 3rd base.</p>
Fair / Foul Ball (10)		<p>_____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2</p>	<p>Does not remove mask Uses wrong arm to indicate Verbalizes "Fair Ball"</p>

		_____ - 2	Does not raise both arms overhead and verbalize the Foul Ball.
		_____ - 2	Does not move to the proper position to see whether the ball is fair or foul.
Out, Safe, Positioning and Timing (20)		_____ - 3	Consistently does not use proper mechanic.
		_____ - 2	Consistently does not verbalize "OUT".
		_____ - 3	Consistently does not use proper mechanic.
		_____ - 2	Consistently does not verbalize "SAFE".
		_____ - 3	Does not stop when making a call.
		_____ - 3	Gets too close and/or too far from call.
		_____ - 2	Consistently too quick making call.
		_____ - 2	Does not make a strong call when appropriate.
Plays At Home (10)		_____ - 5	Does not move to be able to see the play.
		_____ - 2	Consistently too close to the play.
		_____ - 2	Does not watch that the runner touches home plate.
		_____ - 1	Timing play not signaled or verbalized
Infield Fly (10)		_____ - 3	Fails to recognize an infield fly situation.
		_____ - 1	Uses wrong hand to chest.
		_____ - 1	Does not step out from behind the catcher.
		_____ - 1	Does not signal or uses incorrect signal to remove the infield fly.
		_____ - 2	Do not raise arm up over their head with a closed fist.
		_____ - 2	Does not verbalize the infield fly.
Interference/Obstruction (10)		_____ - 1	Does not step forward on interference and give the "DEAD BALL" signal.
		_____ - 1	Does not point to action and give the "OUT" signal.
		_____ - 1	Does not verbalize the "OUT".
		_____ - 1	Does not recognize the obstruction and/or give the "DELAYED DEAD BALL" signal when appropriate.
		_____ - 1	Does not verbalize word "OBSTRUCTION."
		_____ - 5	Does not make proper base award.
Rest (10)		_____ - 5	Consistently does not step back after completing the call (relax).
		_____ - 5	Consistently does not stand in designated area.
Possible Points: 220		Points Lost:	

3. Game Management, Professionalism, Rules Knowledge			
Attitude - (10)		_____ - 5 _____ - 5	Does not demonstrate a positive attitude for game. Does not display appreciation for the evaluation.
Communication With Coaches/Players - (15)		_____ - 3 _____ - 4 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2	Overbearing, rude, non-professional. Non-approachable. Consistently does not announce the number of defensive conferences used. Consistently does not announce offensive conferences to the coach. Consistently does not announce substitutions to the opposing head coach. Does not enforce "Proper Coaching Attire".
Communication With Partner (10)		_____ - 5 _____ - 5	Does not assist their partner when asked. Releases to return to plate position before partner has reached their starting position.
Game Control /Body Language - (15)		_____ - 4 _____ - 2 _____ - 3 _____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2	Displays poor body language (doesn't want to be there). Allows coaches and/or players in non-designated areas. Consistently allow more 1:00 minute between innings. Allows excessive pitches in between innings or during pitching warm-ups. Does not exhibit the ability to manage the game. Does not manage offensive/defensive conferences properly.
Encourages Hustle, Hustle (10)		_____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 2	Consistently does not keep team players moving. Consistently does not move with purpose – live ball. Consistently does not move with purpose – dead ball
Maintains Safety (10)		_____ - 2 _____ - 2 _____ - 3 _____ - 3	During a live ball situation, does not see runners remove their batting helmet. At start of inning, allows batter to take position on opponent's side of batters box. Allows more than one (1) on deck batter. Consistently does not have offensive players be in the dugout when the defense is warming up between innings.
General Knowledge (10)		_____ - 8 _____ - 2	Misinterprets / applies incorrectly NFHS and/or CIF rules. Consistently informs a new pitcher of the game status/situation.
Possible Points: 80		Points Lost:	
Additional Comments			