CATCH UMPIRE INSTRUCTION
A Catch is the act of a fielder in getting secure possession in his hand or glove of a ball in flight and firmly holding it; providing he does not use his cap, protector, pocket or any other part of his uniform in getting possession. It is not a catch, however, if simultaneously or immediately following his contact with the ball, he collides with a player, or with a wall, or if he falls down, as a result of such collision or falling, drops the ball. It is not a catch if a fielder touches a fly ball which then hits a member of the offensive team or an umpire and then is caught by another defensive player. In establishing the validity of the catch, the fielder shall hold the ball long enough to prove that he has complete control of the ball and that his release of the ball is voluntary and intentional. If the fielder has made the catch and drops the ball while in the act of making a throw following the catch, the ball shall be adjudged to have been caught.
VOLUNTARY RELEASE & INTENCIONAL

COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE BALL

SECURED POSSESSION

IT IS A CATCH
IF THE FIELDER DROPS THE BALL WHILE IN THE ACT OF MAKING A THROW FOLLOWING THE CATCH.

IT IS NOT A CATCH
IF THE FIELDER DROPS THE BALL AS A RESULT OF A COLLISION WITH A PLAYER OR WITH A WALL, OR IF HE FALLS DOWN AND DROPS THE BALL.

IT IS NOT A CATCH
IF A FIELDER TOUCHES A FLY BALL WHICH THEN HITS AN OFFENSIVE PLAYER, UMPIRE AND THEN IS CAUGHT BY ANOTHER DEFENSIVE PLAYER.