

Baseball5

Competition Management & Scoring System

Introduction

This document highlights the major features of Baseball5™ competitions and games management. It is intended to be a complement to the WBSC Baseball5 Rulebook. The second part is a presentation of the WBSC Baseball5 Scoring System.

The WBSC is constantly working to progress its disciplines. Therefore, these documents are continuously updated and modified as more and more games are played, and WBSC gathers better knowledge of the game.

The Game Official

In line with the original vision of Baseball5, also competition management for the game has been streamlined to increase accessibility and to allow competitions to be sanctioned easily.

For this reason in Baseball5, the roles of Umpire, Scorer and Technical Commissioner are all merged into the figure of the Game Official (GO).

The GO is an individual who has a complete knowledge of the game and is able to manage all aspects of the competition.

WBSC sanctioned competitions shall count 3 or 4 Game Officials per game:

1. Home plate Official
2. Field Official*
3. Table Official

**World Cups and Youth Olympic Games will have 4 Game Officials (2 Field Officials).*

Among other duties, the Table Official will also keep the scoring card during the game.

Principles and procedure of the scoring system are highlighted hereafter.

Baseball5 Scoring System

Rationale

The Baseball5 Scoring System has been developed to meet these characteristics:

- Easy to teach and understand
- Intuitive and quick in practice
- Allow room for basic stats
- Minimise negatives
- Reduce interpretation
- Highlight positives

Baseball5 Official Score Card

OFFICIAL SCORE CARD



Visitor Line-up		M/F	No	Inning																
1	Sub																			
2	Sub																			
3	Sub																			
4	Sub																			
5	Sub																			

Home Line-up		M/F	No	Inning																
1	Sub																			
2	Sub																			
3	Sub																			
4	Sub																			
5	Sub																			

Competition	
Place	
Date	
Game #	
Visitor	
Home	

X : Offensive player ruled OUT
 S1 : Batter safe on 1st base
 S2 : Batter safe on 2nd base
 S3 : Batter safe on 3rd base
 O : Offensive player SCORES
 — : End of offensive inning
 I : Substitution
 E : Error
 R1 : Runner on 1st Base in extra-inning
 R2 : Runner on 2nd Base in extra-inning
 R3 : Runner on 3rd Base in extra-inning

Home Plate Official	
1 st Field Official	
2 nd Field Official	
Table Official	

	1	2	3	4	5	Ex6	Ex7	Ex8	Tot
Visitor									
Home									

Scoring Mechanics

One score card is prepared by the Table Official (Table hereafter) before the game. The scorecard should be on an A4 paper.

- If the batter is out, the Table marks an **X**.
- If the batter reaches first base, the Table marks an **S1**.
- If the batter reaches second base, the Table marks **S2**.
- If the batter reaches third base, the Table marks **S3**.
- Should the batter score, the Table marks **O**.
- If the batter is awarded an extra base by an Official, due to a team defensive error the Table marks **E**.
- When a runner gets on base, without error, and advances due to a defensive error, the Table marks **S1/E - S2/E - S3/E**.
- If a runner scores, the Table will circle **O** the related **S1-S2-S3-E**.
- If a runner is out, the Table will circle **X** the related **S1-S2-S3-E**.
- When runners are placed on base during the extra-innings, the Table marks **R1-R2-R3**.
- End of the offensive inning is marked with a horizontal line **_** below the box corresponding to the last player at bat.
- A substitution is marked with a vertical line **|** and the substitute's name and number shall be marked in the space below the name.
 - If the starting player re-enters, another vertical line shall be noted.
- End of the game is marked by closing all remaining empty boxes. The scorecard is signed on the back by all officials.
 - Total duration of the game must be noted.
 - Any additional note must be written on the back of the scorecard.

In Game Process

- Before giving the ball to the next batter, the **Homeplate Official** shall confirm with the **Table** that the previous play was duly noted on the score card.
- Substitutions must be announced to the **Table** and will take place next time the teams will switch side.
- At the end of the game the **Table** takes a photo/scan of the scorecard and immediately shares them following, ad-hoc tournament procedures.

Statistics

The current system allows for the following basic statistics:

- Most run scored
- Most valid hits
- Most doubles / triples
- Best defensive team

Officials assignments

Homeplate Official: Game Official in charge of umpiring the game at the Homeplate.

Field Official(s): Game Official umpiring normally between first (1st) and/or second (2nd) base.

Table Official: Game Official in charge of keeping the scorecard and managing the substitutions during the game.

Scoring Symbols

X : Offensive player ruled out

S1 : Batter safe on first base

S2 : Batter safe on second base

S3 : Batter safe on third base

O : Offensive player scores

E : Defensive errors judged by a Field or Home Plate Official

_ : End of offensive inning

| : Substitution

R1 : Runner on 1st Base in extrinning

R2 : Runner on 2nd Base in extrinning

R3 : Runner on 3rd Base in extrinning