Softball New Zealand Scorers Theory

Examination 2018

The entire exam will be answered in this booklet.

Marks:

Section 1: Theory questions - 35 Marks

Some of these questions are multiple choice questions.

Section 2: Game Scoring - 35 Marks

You are asked to score one side of a game - you will need to do the end of innings analysis. The commentary for this game is at the end of the booklet. Detach it and use the scoresheet on page 8.

Section 3: Analysis - 25 Marks

You will need to analyse a game – The end of innings analysis has been done for you along with some other analysis.

Section 4: Neatness - 5 marks

The pass mark is 70%.

Time:

You will have 3 hours to complete the examination.

Scorers may have up to 10 minutes reading time before the exam. Ensure that you leave enough time for the whole exam.

General Information:

If there is something you don't know, leave it and move on - you may have time to come back to it.

This is an open book exam which means that you may use Softball New Zealand Scorers Manual and/or the Softball New Zealand Rule Book to refer to during the exam.

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Marks

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Section 1 Theory Questions

Where you are given two options either circle your answer OR delete the incorrect answer.

1. Give the full symbols for: (batter numbers not required).

а	On a good throw from shortstop the baserunner is called safe at 2nd base,	
	because the second baseman dropped the ball.	
b	The batter/baserunner is safe at first, on the same play.	
С	Batter hit by a pitch.	
d	Foul fly ball dropped by first baseman.	
е	Baserunner runs into shortstop fielding a ball - OUT.	
f	Batter is OUT for bunting foul on the third strike.	
g	A pop up bunt caught by the catcher	
h	Infield fly caught by third base	
j	Batter hitting a ball to right field who takes the batter/runner out at first	
k	A hit which hits the ground midway between centre and right field and goes over the fence	
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(5 Marks)

2. Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE?

а	If a baserunner is called OUT for leaving early, it is a strike on the batter.	TRUE/FALSE
b	A foul tip caught on the 3rd strike is a strikeout.	TRUE/FALSE
С	A player who is legally re-entered may play any position on defence.	TRUE/FALSE
d	When fielders attempting to catch a fly ball collide the batter must get a hit.	TRUE/FALSE
е	If the batter makes base on Catcher's Interference, it is a Reach Base.	TRUE/FALSE
f	A batter who picks a walk with loaded bases gets an RBI.	TRUE/FALSE
g	A short stop who throws a ball to first base, who drops it, resulting in the runner making base safely does not get an assist.	TRUE/FALSE
h	To get the PO (putout) figure in the box score, you add up the number of innings and multiply by three.	TRUE/FALSE

(4 Marks)

Page Mark

3 Depending on what happens to other batters later on in the innings, can a run possibly be an Earned Run if a baserunner scores on:

а	PB	YES/NO
b	HP	YES/NO
С	IP	YES/NO
d	6E2	YES/NO
е	(6)E2	YES/NO
f	E62	YES/NO
g	Explain the difference between d) e) and f) with respect to Earned Runs.	

(4 Marks)

4 There are loaded bases and 2 outs. How many runs score if:

а	The batter bounces the ball over the fence.	
b	The batter hits the ball over the fence on the full.	
С	The batter hits the ball over the fence on the full, but is called OUT on appeal for missing first base.	
d	The batter hits the ball over the fence on the full, but is called OUT on appeal for missing home plate.	
		(2 Marks)

(2 Marks)

5 Name four different situations where a catcher gets a put out. (If you're not sure if they are different, name more than 4 – you will be given 1 mark for each correct answer up to 4). Don't use variations of the same type of play for different situations. (eg F3, FF3, D3).

а	
b	
С	
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(4 Marks)

6 Batter 7 picks a walk. Batter 9 bats next, and hits a double which scores Batter 7 from 1st base. Then the fielding side appeal for batting out of order.

а	Who is out?	
b	How do you score it?	
С	Who is the correct next batter?	
d	What happens to batter 7?	
	If the fielding side did not appeal for batting out of order, what should you do as official scorer?	
	In situation (e) above, how would you score batter 8?	

(3 Marks)

7 Can the tie breaker runner be:

а	An Earned Run (ER)	YES/NO
b	A Designated Runner (DR)	YES/NO
С	An At Bat (AB)	YES/NO
d	An RBI for the next batter	YES/NO
	·	(2 Marks)

8 The starting pitcher is replaced in the 1st innings when the team is losing 0-4. There are no outs and the count on the batter in the box is 3 balls and 1 strike.

а	If the batter gets a hit, which pitcher gets charged with the hit?	STARTING / REPLACEMENT
b	If the batter gets a walk, which pitcher gets charged with the walk?	STARTING / REPLACEMENT
(C)	If the batter gets struck out, which pitcher gets the strike out?	STARTING / REPLACEMENT
(d)	How many innings is the first pitcher credited with pitching?	

(2 Marks)

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9 Give the formulas for, and work out the following averages. There is 1 mark for each formula and working, and 1 mark for each correct average written in the correct format.

a) A batter comes into the batters box 29 times for 9 Hits, 4 Walks, 3 SHs and is hit once by a pitched ball.

His batting average is....

Formula	Working	Average
		(2 Marks)

b) A pitcher pitches 42 innings and gives up 4 Earned Runs. The Earned Run Average is.....

Formula	Working	Average
		(2 Marks)

10 List at least 10 things you should check or cross-check at the end of a game to ensure that your analysis is accurate.

а	
b	
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е	
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k	(E Marka)

(5 Marks)

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Section 2

The game is the Cubs versus Eagles, on Diamond 1 at Forest Stadium. Cubs will field first. You will only score Cubs side of the game.

Fill out the lineup from the roster supplied on the right.

You are only scoring the Cubs batting, however you will need to do the end of innings analysis, including the ball and strike counts. The pitches are marked in italics.

Assume that all fouls are to the catcher unless indicated by a notation after it ($1B = 1^{st}$ base line, $3B = 3^{rd}$ base line, LF = Left Field, RF = Right field)

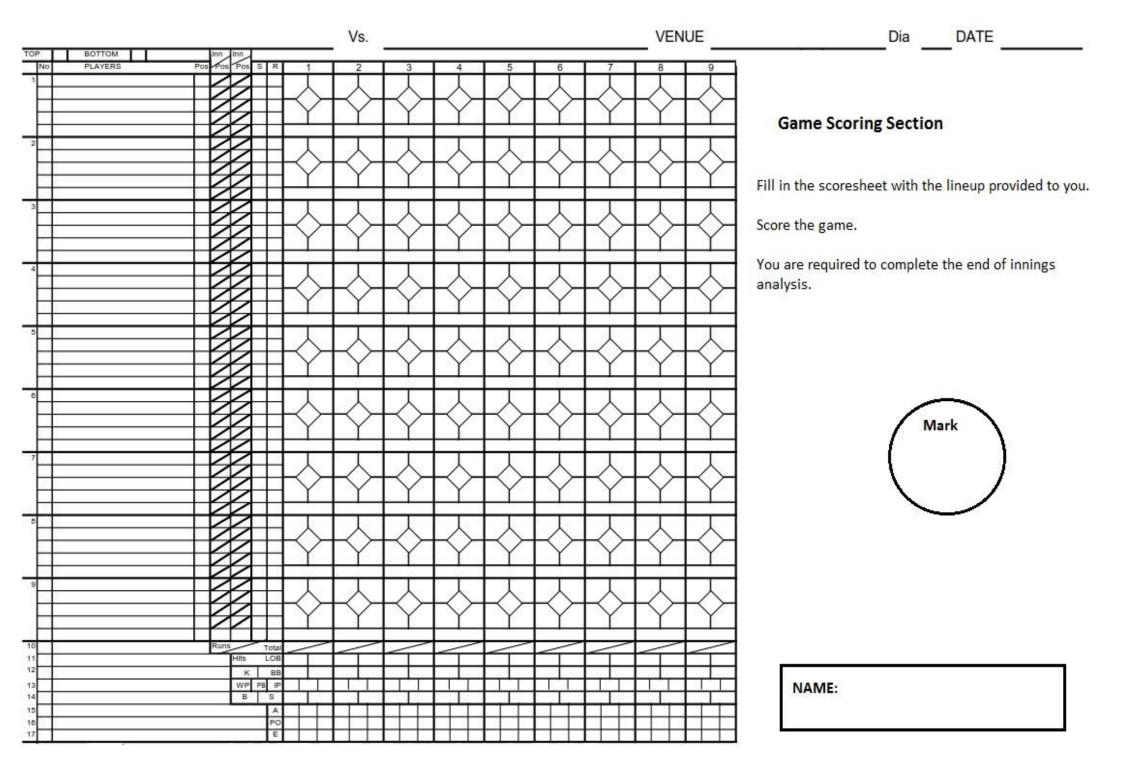
There will be times that you may need to make assumptions and make judgement calls about what to score. This should be based on your knowledge of game situations.

"Batter" will mean the batter in the box at the time of the play. "Baserunner" will mean baserunner(s) on base at the time of the play. "Batter/Baserunner" will mean the batter who then becomes a baserunner as a result of the play and making 1st base safely.

Substitutions and Fielding Changes notified by the coaches are indicated in italics. Changes are made using shirt numbers eg #3. Exception is for fielding changes where positions may be used.

The game commentary for answering this section is at the back of this answer booklet in the appendix. Detach it and use to answer on the scoresheet provided in this booklet.

0	Shirt No.	NAME		
Order.		(First)	(Surname)	Pos.
1	10	Mike	BIRD	8
2	1	Ken	FOSTER	7
3	15	Fred	TIMMS	3
4	14	Lance	KNIGHT	6
5	11	Chris	POTTER	2
6	21	Kyle	DENNIS	9
7	23	Sam	CARTER	DP
8	18	Paul	LUCAS	4
9	19	Rick	HICKEY	5
10	4	Mitch	KING	1
11				
		SUBSTITUTES		
Α	13	Alex	ADAMS	
В	28	Nathan	MATTHEWS	
С	23	Nick	PETERS	
D	3	Tom	LEWIS	
E	6	Charlie	РҮКЕ	



Section 3 Analysis

Analyse the game on the next pages in this booklet.

The end of innings analysis and part of the batting, pitching and fielding analysis has already been done for you. You will need to analyse the rest of the game, including the necessary batting, fielding, pitching and end of innings summaries. You do NOT need to add up the pitch counts.

If you are running short of time at this point, don't panic. If you rush you are likely to make silly mistakes. It is better to get most of it done with very few mistakes, than to finish it with lots of mistakes.

You can get more than half the marks allocated to this section by analysing one side of the scoresheet completely, because this gives you the chance to prove that you are able to do each part of the analysis.

The white dot in the middle of each run, is there for you to indicate earned runs. Colour it in if you work the run out to be an Earned Run.

Analysis Mark /25

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Appendix - Section 2 Game Scoring Commentary.

Use this commentary to score the game in Section 2. It may be useful to detach this sheet.

1st Inning

- (1) Batter ONE: ball, ball, called strike, ball Hits a high fly ball which is caught by the pitcher right beside the on deck circle <u>OUT</u>.
- (2) Batter TWO: called strike, ball Drives a hard flat ball to centre field who makes a spectacular diving catch <u>OUT</u>.
- (3) Batter THREE: called strike, foul (3B), Pops up behind 2nd base who calls, but can't quite reach it, and the ball drops on the ground behind him. Right field makes a throw to first base <u>OUT</u>.

2nd Inning

- (4) Batter FOUR: ball, called strike, Hits a high fly ball. Shortstop seems to have it covered, but drops it, then makes a bad throw to first. Batter-baserunner is already safe at first.
- (5) Batter FIVE: Drops a good bunt down first baseline. First base slips over. Catcher fields the ball and plays first for the <u>OUT</u>. (4) goes all the way to 3rd on the play.
- (6) Batter SIX: called strike, foul ball (3B), Drives a hard ball back past the pitcher. Shortstop makes a great diving save, and attempts to make a throw to first off the ground. The throw is wild, (6) ends up on 2nd.
- (7) Batter SEVEN: ball, swung at strike which is called an illegal pitch by the umpire, called strike bunts to 1st base who plays to shortstop covering 3rd. (6) dives back under the tag safe.
- (8) Batter EIGHT: ball (7) jogs down to 2nd, catcher doesn't throw. foul (8) Hits to shortstop, who plays home for the <u>OUT</u>. (8) gets to 2nd on the play.
- (9) Batter NINE: Hits a popup just behind shortstop. Left fielder running in overcalls <u>OUT</u>.

3rd Inning

- (1) Batter ONE: ball, called strike, foul ball, 2nd base drops an easy catch foul ball (3B), ball, Next pitch hits the batter.
- (2) Batter TWO: called strike Hits to centrefield, one bounce off the fence. Leftfield throws to shortstop who relays to home. (1) is safe. (2) sees shortstop throw to home and goes to 3rd on the play.
- (3) Batter THREE ball, called strike Hits deep to rightfield who drops a straight-forward catch. (2) who had tagged up, scores. Right-field recovers and throw to shortstop who tags (3) <u>OUT</u> at 2nd.
- (4) Batter FOUR: called strike, ball, swung strike, ball, foul (LF), called strike struck <u>OUT</u>.
- (5) Batter FIVE: Ball, foul ball (LF), foul ball (LF), Hits the ball to centrefield. The ball bounces 2 metres in front of centrefield and then rolls between his legs. The batter who had run past first, returns to the base.
- (6) Batter SIX: called strike, foul ball (1B), Hits to second base. (5) runs into the fielder <u>OUT</u>.

4th Inning

- (7) Batter SEVEN: called strike, ball, ball, swung at strike, Hits to 2nd base who throws to 1st for the <u>OUT</u>.
- (8) Batter EIGHT: ball, called strike, ball, Hits a foul fly which is dropped by third base, but the umpire rules that the batter had his foot on the plate when he hit the ball <u>OUT</u>.
- (9) Batter NINE: ball, called strike, ball, ball, ball

(1) Batter ONE: called strike Drives straight at the pitcher who catches the ball. First base umpire calls "Dead Ball - Lead Off" <u>OUT</u>.

5th Inning

- (1) Batter ONE: Drops a bunt down first baseline. First base is slow to react and the runner is safe.
- (2) Batter TWO: foul ball, ball Hits the ball to the shortstop who fumbles it, but recovers in time for the <u>OUT</u>. (1) advances.
- (3) Batter THREE called strike, foul ball, Hits a fly ball just inside the fence at right field <u>OUT</u>. (1) goes to 3rd, and then comes home when the throw from rightfield is missed by 2nd base.
- (4) Batter FOUR: ball, called strike, ball, Drives to 2nd base who dives and just deflects the ball to shortstop who makes a throw to first (4) is safe. 2nd base is hurt in the dive and is replaced by N Wood.
- (5) Batter FIVE: Called strike, foul ball, swung at strike Catcher drops but picks up and tags the batter for the <u>OUT</u>.

SUBSTITUTION: For Cubs, Carter comes into pitch replacing King on the mound.

6th Inning

- (6) Batter SIX: Hits the catcher's glove on the swing.
- (7) Batter SEVEN: (6) takes off at pace for 2nd on the first pitch, which is hit to leftfield. (6) slides in safe under the tag at 3rd and (7) goes to 2nd on leftfielders throw.
- (8) Batter EIGHT: called strike, ball Hits a fly ball which drops between centre and rightfield. Both runners score.

SUBSTITUTION: The Eagles coach makes a pitching change bringing Smith onto the mound.

- (9) Batter NINE: ball, ball, Hits to shortstop who steps on 2nd base <u>OUT</u>. Seeing (9) has rounded first, shortstop throws to first. (9) keeps going to 2nd. The throw from first to second has him out cold, but 2nd base drops the ball in the tag.
- (1) Batter ONE: ball, wild (9) goes to third, swung at strike (1) hits out to leftfield. (9) holds up for fear of a catch, but the ball falls short of the fielder.
- (2) Batter TWO: foul ball (3B), ball, (1) steals to 2nd. The catchers throw is cut off by the pitcher who throws back to the catcher for the <u>OUT</u> at home. Hits the ball in the air down first. Rightfield makes the catch in foul territory.

SUBSTITUTION: As Cubs, take the field, Pyke replaces Timms, Foster moves around to rightfield and Dennis goes to leftfield.

7th Inning

- (3) Batter THREE: Hits to 3rd whose throw is way over first bases head, and the batter goes to 2nd.
- (4) Batter FOUR: called strike, ball, foul ball (RF) Singles to shallow right-field.
- (5) Batter FIVE: Bunts to first base who catches the ball (OUT.)
- (6) Batter SIX: ball, called strike Hits the ball hard into the pitcher's leg, it ricochets to 2nd base who throws to 1st (OUT.) Both runners advance.
- (7) Batter SEVEN: Hits to the first base who fields the ball himself and stands on first OUT.

Game Over.