

# Baseball5

## *Game 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 2020. 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, management of the game has been streamlined to increase accessibility and to allow competitions to be sanctioned easily.

For this reason, the roles of Umpire, Scorer and Technical Commissioner in Baseball5 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 on a minimum number of 3 **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 score 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
- Minimize negatives
- Reduce interpretation
- Highlight positives

### Baseball5 Official Scorecard

# OFFICIAL SCORE CARD



Visitor Line-up		M/F	No	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	Sub													
2	Sub													
3	Sub													
4	Sub													
5	Sub													

Home Line-up		M/F	No	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	Sub													
2	Sub													
3	Sub													
4	Sub													
5	Sub													

	1	2	3	4	5	Ex6	Ex7	Ex8	Tot
Visitor									
Home									

Competition

Place

Date

Game #

Visitor

Home

X : Offensive player ruled OUT  
 S : Batter safe on first base  
 S2 : Batter safe on second base  
 S2 : Batter safe on third base  
 O : Offensive player SCORES  
 — : End of offensive inning  
 | : Substitution  
 E : Error

Home plate official

Field official

Table official

## **Scoring Mechanics**

One scorecard is prepared by the **Table Official** (Table above) before the game on an A4 paper.

- If the batter is out, the Table marks an **X**.
- If the batter reaches first base, the Table marks **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**.
- 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**.
- End of the offensive inning is marked with a horizontal line **\_** below the last out made **X**.
- 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 and both scorecards are 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**

- To maintain a high-paced game, the **Home Plate Official** will call "Time" at the end of each play and the defensive team shall toss the ball to the **Home Plate Official**.
- Before giving the ball to the next batter, the **Home Plate 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 can only take place when the team switches from offence to defence.
- At the end of the game the **Table** takes a photo/scan of the scorecard and immediately shares it 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

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### *Officials Assignments*

**Home Plate Official:** Game Official in charge of umpiring the game at the home plate.

**Field Official:** Game Official umpiring normally between first (1st) and second (2nd) base

**Table Official:** Game Official in charge of keeping the scorecard and managing 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

**E** : Defensive errors judged by the Field or Home Plate Official

**O** : Offensive player scores

**—** : End of offensive inning

**|** : Substitution