



2025 NSA Fast Pitch Rule Changes as of November 7, 2024 Convention Vote  
All changes will be EFFECTIVE January 1, 2025

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Rule 3, Section 4 Penalty: Change: If it is discovered during the game that an offensive player is wearing metal cleats an out will be called and the coach will be ejected, any baserunner(s) must return to the last base occupied at the time of the pitch. If it is discovered during the game that a defensive player is wearing metal cleats the coach will be ejected. If the defensive player made a play, the offensive coach shall have the choice of taking the result of the play or returning the baserunner(s) to the last base occupied at the time of the pitch. A ball will be awarded to the batter. In either case the player is removed from the game and a substitute must take their place until their cleats are changed to become legal.

Rationale: By changing this penalty it aligns with the rule for illegal bats, the coach is ejected and the player remains in the game.

Rule 1, Section, New: Add: The Initial Play definition.

Rationale: Current wording in many places regarding interference and obstruction leaves some grey space in some situations as to whether interference or obstruction should be called

Rule 8, Section, Various: Add: The wording initial play in the interference and obstructions sections of the Fast Pitch rule book.

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Rule 8, Section 8,(z) note: Add: Once the batter-baserunner becomes a runner, a play may no longer be made on the orange safety bag

Rationale: 'One bag' is not clear, by stating a play may no longer be made on the orange safety bag, indicates the 'one bag' is now the white bag in fair play.