





Umpire Academy

Baseball Scorer's Code of Conduct With effective from 1 April 2016 (Post on Website)

The Hong Kong Baseball Association (HKBA) Baseball Scorers Code of Conduct has been developed for all scorers to abide by whilst participating in an official capacity at any baseball game. It is recognized that scorers play an integral role in our sport and their performance and professionalism is observed by all in the baseball community in their capacity as a scorer.

Hong Kong Umpire Academy (HKUA) is one of the functional committees under the management of HKBA. HKUA is responsible for the hiring, training, and supervision of the HKBA registered umpires and scorers. We are proud to promote baseball umpiring and scoring in Hong Kong. Please take time to read the Baseball Scorers' Code of Conduct below.

Part A: DOS

HKBA registered scorers acknowledge responsibility and agree to:-

- 1 Accept responsibility for all their actions/decisions
- 2 Arrive at the game site well in advance of the scheduled starting time to collect line-up sheet, check players' identification
- 3 Remain in the designated scoring location until all post game duties have been completed
- 4 Return the game report and score sheet to HKBA in a timely manner
- 5 Be impartial on scoring deliberations
- 6 Declare a conflict of interest as necessary
- 7 Keep abreast of rules and changing techniques of scoring
- 8 Seek improvement and clarification on rulings as necessary
- 9 Be respectful and open to discussion
- 10 Share scoring expertise and knowledge with other scorers and be a good role model for other officials
- 11 Be neat and clean in your appearance







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Part B: DON'TS

In their role as a scorer will NOT:-

- 1. Barracking whilst scoring
- 2. Making criticism of other scorers, coaches or team players by word or gesture
- 3. Draw players or coaches attention to rule infringements during the progress of the game
- 4. Prompt the umpire about a ruling or status of pitch count unless invited
- 5. Change a recorded scoring decision without regard for the recognized official procedure for this instance
- 6. Use mobile telephone whilst scoring
- 7. Smoke or drink alcohol whilst scoring
- 8. Make comment to the media unless authorized by the appropriate personnel
- 9. Discretion should be used prior to releasing information during a game to tournament officials.

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