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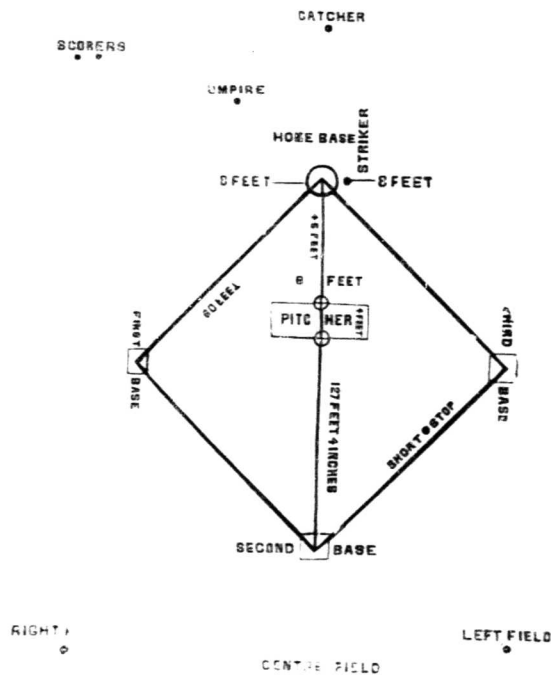
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Diagram of a Base-Ball Ground, according to the Amended Rules.



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PACIFIC BASE BALL GUIDE for 1867, contains an account of the introduction of the game on the coast; the names of the clubs, the secretaries, the officers of the convention; with the rules and regulations of the national association of base-ball players.

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## INTRODUCTORY.

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PREVIOUS to the year 1860, the game of Base Ball, as it was then played in the East, was unknown on this coast: but in that year, a few members of the Eagle Club, of New York, organized a Club in this city, and styled themselves "The San Franciscans;" changing their name afterwards to the Eagle Club. With them rests the honor of being the pioneers of the game on this coast. Soon after, the "Red Rovers," the "Em Quods," and a Club in Sacramento and Stockton, were organized.

In 1861, the State Agricultural Fair offered prizes for the best Club and the best players. The Eagle and Sacramento Clubs engaged in the contest for the Silver Ball; and victory rested with the former.

The game attracted considerable attention at the time; but with its termination the Sacramento Club died out, as well as the San Francisco Clubs, with one exception—the then champions.

In 1863, the game again became popular; and Clubs were organized in Sacramento, Marysville, and Stockton. In this city, the Pacific, City College, Union College, and Rincon Clubs, were formed; but still, the interest was mainly kept up, by accessions from the Eastern Clubs, and the efforts of one or two "veterans" in the city. Matches and practice games were few and far between; and so the game led a

precarious existence until the spring of 1866, when those who had striven so long for its establishment began to see the fruits of their labors. Clubs sprang into existence in this city, at Oakland, at San José and Santa Clara; matches were played, and the interest constantly increased.

One draw-back still existed—the distance between New York and San Francisco rendered the representation of the Pacific Coast Clubs in the National Convention impracticable; and the lack of any competent authority to enforce the rules of the game, caused considerable confusion. This state of things suggested the idea of uniting all these Clubs into a Convention, as the only remedy; and in July, 1866, the Eagle, as the senior Club, issued a call for that purpose.

In August, 1866, delegates from the Eagle, Pacific, City College, Live Oak, Independents, Cosmopolitan and Latin School Clubs met together, organized under the name of the "CALIFORNIA STATE CONVENTION OF BASE BALL PLAYERS." They held frequent meetings, and admitted many new Clubs during the succeeding six months.

There are now twenty-five Clubs represented in the Convention; and many are ready to be admitted. Probably there are one hundred organized Clubs in the State at the present time. The public take a warm interest, and the press, from the readiness with which they publish items of interest to players, have done great good.

Matches are played every week, and players feel the want of a good ground convenient to the city; such a ground would prove a remunerative investment, and it is hoped the matter will be taken in hand before the close of the season.

Next year this book will contain all the averages and other items of importance which we have been obliged to omit.

## PACIFIC BASE-BALL CONVENTION.

THE following are the Clubs represented in the Convention, their location and names of Delegates:

### SAN FRANCISCO.

ACTIVE.....	R. J. Kerrison, John McGee.
ARTILLERY.....	Wm. COOPER, Wm. Clapp.
ATLANTIC.....	T. J. Cashman, D. Barry.
BAY CITY.....	F. W. Eaton, D. A. Carpenter.
BRANNAN.....	J. T. Rogers, John Blakey.
BRODERICK.....	J. G. Carson, Thos. Mitchell.
COSMOPOLITAN.....	H. C. Newhall, Wm. Leviston.
EAGLE.....	J. M. Fisher, Jno. L. Durkee.
EXCELSIOR.....	Geo. E. Davis, J. H. Hawley.
GOLDEN CITY.....	T. H. Bloomer, Gilbert Clayton.
KNICKERBOCKER.....	F. Lawler, F. J. Corrigan.
LAFAYETTE.....	A. Le Breton, S. Wright.
LIBERTY.....	D. J. Flemming, T. O'Neil.
PACIFIC.....	T. J. Welsh, J. W. Harrison.
PRESIDIO.....	L. Healy, A. Chelins.
RINCON.....	A. A. Hooper, W. D. Monmonnier.

### OAKLAND.

ECLIPSE.....	Edw. Kelly, Wm. Myles.
LIVE OAK.....	N. D. Arnot, Jr., ———.
OAKLAND ACADEMY.....	D. Brown, S. McClure.
WIDE AWAKE.....	W. A. Bonestell, C. E. Davis.
OCCIDENTAL.....	B. A. Dewey, Wm. Fountain.

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## SANTA CLARA.

ORIGINAL.....S. Ayon, J. R. Wiley.  
EUREKA.....[No Delegates.]

## SAN JOSE.

ALTA.....J. E. Hewes, ———.

The following are the Names of the officers of the "Pacific Base-Ball Convention" for 1867:

*President*, H. C. NEWHALL, of Cosmopolitan Club.  
*1st Vice President*.....T. J. WELSH, of Pacific Club.  
*2d Vice President*.....[Vacancy].  
*Treasurer*.....H. J. HAWLEY, of Excelsior Club.  
*Cor. Secretary*.....GEO. E. DAVIS, of Excelsior Club.  
*Rec. Secretary*.....D. A. CARPENTER, of Bay City Club.

*Standing Committees for the Year 1867.*

## JUDICIARY.

JNO. L. DURKEE.....Eagle Club.  
WM. COOPER.....Artillery Club.  
D. A. CARPENTER.....Bay City Club.  
T. H. BLOOMER.....Golden City Club.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS.

J. W. HARRISON.....Pacific Club.  
N. D. ARNOT, JR.....Live Oak Club.  
D. J. FLEMMING.....Liberty Club.  
J. M. FISHER.....Eagle Club.  
EDW. KELLY.....Eclipse Club.

## FINANCE.

T. J. WELSH.....Pacific Club.  
J. G. CARSON.....Broderick Club.  
F. W. EATON.....Bay City Club.

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## CREDENTIALS.

W. LEVISTON.....Cosmopolitan Club.  
T. O'NEILL.....Liberty Club.

## PRINTING.

THOS. MITCHELL.....Broderick Club.  
J. H. HAWLEY.....Excelsior Club.  
J. T. ROGERS.....Brannan Club.

*Secretaries of Clubs.*

The following are the Secretaries of the respective Clubs, and their address:

LEWIS MAHLKE, San Francisco.....Active Club.  
C. D. WRIGHT, San José.....Alta Club.  
WM. COOPER, San Francisco.....Artillery Club.  
M. E. SHAFFNER, San Francisco.....Atlantic Club.  
CHALMERS SCOTT, San Francisco.....Bay City Club.  
JAS. T. ROGERS, San Francisco.....Brannan Club.  
J. H. MILLER, San Francisco.....Broderick Club.  
WM. LEVISTON, San Francisco.....Cosmopolitan Club.  
CHAS. ASHTON, San Francisco.....Eagle Club.  
W. DEWES, Oakland.....Eclipse Club.  
H. J. EMERIC, Santa Clara.....Eureka Club.  
PARKER CRITTENDEN, San Francisco.....Excelsior Club.  
J. C. MURPHY, San Francisco.....Golden City Club.  
JAS. ROURKE, San Francisco.....Knickerbocker Club.  
THEO. T. COOK, San Francisco.....Lafayette Club.  
JNO. J. CONNOLLY, San Francisco.....Liberty Club.  
MARCUS P. WIGGIN, Oakland.....Live Oak Club.  
——, Oakland.....Oakland Academy Club.  
——, Oakland.....Occidental Club.  
L. A. SAGE, Santa Clara.....Original Club.

P. W. BELLINGALL, San Francisco . . . . Pacific Club.  
 THOS. MOORE, San Francisco . . . . . Presidio Club.  
 FRED. G. HARKNESS, San Francisco . . . . Rincon Club.

Clubs desiring to be admitted to the Pacific Base-Ball Convention, or sending Delegates to the same, will find the accompanying blanks suited to the purpose :

*To the Pacific Base-Ball Convention :*

The . . . . . Base-Ball Club of . . . . . County of . . . . .  
 State of . . . . ., hereby apply for admission to the PACIFIC BASE-BALL CONVENTION.

Club organized . . . . ., 186...

Number of Members . . . . .

Date elected in Club.	Name.	Occupation.	Residence.

(Signed) . . . . ., Pres.

. . . . ., 186... . . . ., Sec'y.

THIS is to certify that at a . . . . ., 186...  
 meeting of the . . . . .  
 Base-Ball Club of . . . . ., held . . . . ., 186...  
 was elected a Delegate to represent said Club in the PACIFIC BASE-BALL  
 CONVENTION, until . . . . ., 186...

. . . . ., Pres.  
 . . . . ., Sec'y.

The address of the Corresponding Secretary, is "GEO. E. DAVIS, Box 451, San Francisco."

## L A W S

OF THE

## PACIFIC BASE-BALL CONVENTION.

### P R E A M B L E.

WHEREAS, it becomes necessary, in order to further the interests of our great National Game, to encourage the formation of new clubs and to increase the numbers of those already interested in the game, that some unity of action be secured, and a regular and systematic code of rules and regulations be adopted. Therefore, the undersigned Base-Ball Clubs, through their delegates, have organized a Convention for that purpose and adopted for its government the following Constitution and Rules :

## CONSTITUTION.

### ARTICLE I.

NAME.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be known as the PACIFIC BASE-BALL CONVENTION.

## ARTICLE II.

## OBJECT.

SECTION 1. The object of this Convention shall be to regulate the game of Base Ball on the Pacific Coast; to make all laws and rules for the government of Clubs and members thereof. And all such laws and rules shall be binding upon each and every club, officer, and member of clubs represented in this Convention.

## ARTICLE III.

## CONVENTION, HOW COMPOSED.

SECTION 1. This Convention shall be composed of two delegates from each of the clubs which now or may hereafter be duly admitted to a representation in this Convention.

SEC. 2. Any club desiring to be represented in this Convention, shall present to the Corresponding Secretary, at least ten days before any regular meeting, a written application, signed by its President and Secretary, setting forth the name and location of the club; date of organization; list of officers and members; the dates of their election, occupation and residence. Thereupon the committee on credentials shall ascertain the standing of the club, and report the same to the Convention; and a vote shall thereupon be had on the admission of such club; and a two-thirds vote of the members present shall be necessary to admission. Upon the admission of a club to this Convention, its initiation fee and yearly dues shall be paid before its delegates shall be entitled to seats. All delegates shall have certificates of their election signed by the President and Secretary of the club they represent. To defray the expenses of the Convention, each club shall, upon its admission, pay an initiation fee of

\$2.50, and \$5.00 yearly dues thereafter. If the expenses are greater than the receipts, the deficiency may be met by an equal assessment upon each club.

SEC. 3. No club shall be admitted to membership in this Convention, unless composed of at least eighteen active members; and whenever, from any cause, the roll of a club shall be reduced to less than twelve active members, such club shall cease to have representation in this Convention, until their membership has been brought to the required standard of eighteen; and a majority of this Convention may decide to re-instate such club. Nor shall any club be represented in this Convention by delegates under the age of eighteen years. No club whose application has been rejected, shall again apply for admission, until the next regular quarterly meeting.

## ARTICLE IV.

## OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of this Convention shall consist of a President, First and Second Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, and Corresponding and Recording Secretaries.

## ARTICLE V.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Convention, and shall enforce a strict observance of the laws and rules thereof. He shall call special meetings of the Convention when requested in writing by ten delegates, or whenever he may deem necessary. He shall, at the commencement of his term of office, appoint the standing com-



mittees. He shall impose fines as hereinafter provided; and shall perform such other duties as appertain to his office.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the First Vice President to preside in the absence of the President, and to perform the duties of that officer.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Second Vice President, in the absence of both President and First Vice President, to preside and perform the duties of the President.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer shall hold in trust all moneys belonging to the Convention, paying out the same only upon the order of the President, approved by the Finance Committee, or upon the order of the Convention. He shall keep separate accounts with each club, and shall make full reports of his receipts and disbursements at the first meeting in each quarter, or when ordered so to do by the Convention. His accounts and vouchers shall at all times be subject to the examination of the Finance Committee, or any special committee appointed by the Convention for that purpose.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct all the correspondence of the Convention; and he shall be its organ in conference with other societies and the public. He shall, upon receiving the application of any club for admission, immediately place the same in the hands of the Committee on Credentials. He shall keep copies of all letters written by him, in a book to be kept for that purpose; and preserve all correspondence received by him, and shall report at the times specified in the duties of Treasurer.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a full, fair and accurate minute of all the proceedings of the Convention, in a book to be kept for that pur-

pose. He shall keep a book in which he shall write out in full the Laws and Standing Resolutions adopted by the Convention, and properly index the same. He shall collect all fines, dues and assessments, and pay the same over to the Treasurer immediately, taking his receipt therefor. He shall affix his name to all advertisements and notices emanating from the Convention. He shall keep the register of members and clubs as provided in Article 12, and shall perform generally such other duties as are customary, and as may from time to time be imposed upon him by the Convention. He shall report at the times specified in the duties of Treasurer.

SEC. 7. All officers and committees shall, at the expiration of their term of office, promptly deliver up to their successors in office all funds, books, papers and other property of the Convention in their custody. In case of suspension or other disqualification, they shall deliver up the same to the Finance Committee.

## ARTICLE VI.

### COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1. The Standing Committees shall be a Committee on Judiciary of five members; a Committee on Credentials of three members; a Committee on Finance of three members; a Committee on Rules and Regulations of five members, and a Committee on Printing of three members—to be appointed as hereinbefore provided, and the President shall be *ex officio* a member of all committees.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Judiciary Committee to take into consideration such matters touching judicial proceedings as may come in question, and be referred to

them by the Convention. It shall be their duty to report as to the law in cases of appeal before the Convention; and for such purpose, they shall have power to send for members of clubs, books and papers. They shall, when directed by the Convention, report such laws as they may consider necessary for the welfare or government of the Convention.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Credentials to ascertain the condition, character and standing of all clubs applying for admission, and report the same to the Convention, together with the application and their written opinion thereon.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to examine at least quarterly, into the accounts of the Treasurer and Secretary. They shall also examine and approve or reject, all bills, accounts or claims against the Convention, and report at any meeting; and generally to have a supervision over the financial department of the Convention. In case of the suspension or disqualification of any officer or committee, they shall take all funds, books, papers and other property of the Convention, from such suspended or disqualified officer or committee, and hold the same subject to the order of the Convention; and they shall also report upon such matters as may be referred to them by the Convention.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Rules and Regulations to take into consideration and report upon all matters pertaining to the government of the game of Base Ball; and also to report upon such matters as may be referred to them by the Convention.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Printing to have in charge all publications ordered by the Convention, all reports from clubs of the number of matches played,

and their averages shall be referred to this committee; and they shall also report on such matters as may be referred to them by the Convention.

SEC. 7. The standing committees shall report at every regular quarterly meeting, and when ordered by the Convention. All committees shall report in writing.

## ARTICLE VII.

### MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. There shall be four regular meetings in each year, to be held on the first Saturdays of January, April, July and October, in the City of San Francisco, at such place as may be agreed upon.

SEC. 2. Special meetings shall be called upon the written request of ten delegates, or when the President may deem necessary.

SEC. 3. Notice of all meetings shall be published for at least three successive days, in at least two daily newspapers printed in the City of San Francisco.

SEC. 4. At all meetings of the Convention it shall require one-third of all the delegates to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may call the roll, have the absentees noted and adjourn to a time stated, or without day.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### ELECTIONS.

SECTION 1. Each club at its stated meeting in December of each year shall elect two of its active members as delegates to the Convention. They shall assemble on the first Saturday of January following, and organize by the election

of the officers of the Convention, whose term of office shall be one year, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. All officers of this Convention shall be elected separately; and in all cases of election the vote shall be taken *viva voce*, and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to a choice.

SEC. 3. All vacancies shall be filled by an immediate election; but should a vacancy occur while the Convention is adjourned, the President shall appoint some delegate to fill such vacancy until the next meeting.

## ARTICLE IX.

### CHARGES, TRIALS AND APPEALS.

SECTION 1. Charges and specifications of charges against any officer or member of the Convention, or by one club against another, or by an officer or member of a club against an officer or member of the Convention, shall be preferred in writing to the Convention, and a copy of the same furnished the accused at least five days before trial. They may be preferred at any meeting of the Convention, which shall forthwith appoint a time for their trial, not exceeding seven days from the date of their preference, unless with the consent of both parties. All witnesses shall be examined on honor in the following order: 1st, prosecution; 2d, defence; rebutting evidence may be admitted on either side. When the evidence shall have been closed the Convention shall, without debate, proceed to find upon the guilt or innocence of the accused. If guilty, the Convention shall then assess the punishment. In all cases the President shall appoint a member of the Convention to conduct the prosecution. The

accused may conduct his defence, or select a member of the Convention for that purpose.

SEC. 2. Club charges against officers or members of a club shall be preferred, in writing, to their respective clubs, and a time forthwith appointed for trial. The accused shall be furnished with a copy of the charge at least five days before trial. In all cases it shall require the votes of two-thirds of the members present to suspend or expel an officer or member. No officer or member of a club shall be convicted of an offence charged, until an opportunity has been afforded him to defend himself.

SEC. 3. If an officer or member of a club shall appeal from any decision of his club in which he is directly concerned, and it be shown that the club have acted in violation of the laws of the Convention or their own laws, the Convention shall declare such action illegal and null; but if the contrary be shown, the Convention shall declare the action of the club sustained. All appeals shall be submitted to the Convention in writing at its first regular meeting after any decision appealed from, otherwise no appeal shall be taken; *provided*, in case of the absence of the party from the city, a longer time may be granted.

SEC. 4. Any officer or member of a club who shall be suspended shall not be permitted to resign or to participate in any base-ball game during such suspension. To restore such officer or member to his former rights and privileges, before the expiration of the prescribed period of suspension, shall require a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular meeting of his club.

SEC. 5. A member of a club, having been expelled, shall not, within the space of one year thereafter, be permitted to

join any other club, or to participate in any game of base ball, unless restored to membership by the power or powers that expelled him.

### ARTICLE X.

#### RESIGNATIONS.

SECTION 1. The resignation of a delegate must be tendered in writing to the Convention. Upon the resignation of a delegate the Secretary of the Convention shall, within five days thereafter, notify his club of such resignation. No delegate can resign while in arrears to this Convention, or while under suspension.

SEC. 2. The resignation of members of clubs shall date from the time the member hands his resignation to some officer of the club to which he is attached, or at a meeting of his club; *provided*, he shall not be in arrears to his club, or charges be pending against him.

### ARTICLE XI.

#### PROXIES.

SECTION 1. Non-resident clubs may be represented by proxies, by the absent delegate appointing an active member of his club to act for him. The proxy shall be signed by the delegate and approved by the President and Secretary of his club, but no proxy shall extend beyond sixty days. Resident clubs shall not be represented by proxy.

### ARTICLE XII.

#### REGISTRATION.

SECTION 1. There shall be kept a register to contain the names of all members of clubs under the jurisdiction of this Convention, arranged under the name of the club to which

they may severally belong, and showing opposite to each name, in appropriate columns, the residence, date of election, suspension, expulsion, resignation, or death, also remarks. There shall also be kept in connection therewith a book, alphabetically arranged, of all persons suspended or expelled by the Convention, or by any club. During office hours the register shall be subject to the inspection of any registered member of a club. The thirty days' rule applying to members of clubs shall date from the time of the receipt from the Secretaries of the various clubs of the election of such members; *provided*, that registration of members of non-resident clubs shall date from the time of post-mark. The Secretaries of clubs shall, within five days after meetings of their clubs, return (certified by their President and Secretary) to the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention (who shall deliver the same to the Recording Secretary) the names of members elected, expelled, resigned or deceased, and the date thereof, together with their occupation and residence. They shall, within ten days before the first Saturdays in the months of January, April, July and October, report to the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention the names of all the members of their respective clubs, duly certified by the Presidents and Secretaries thereof; and such rolls shall be preserved by the Corresponding Secretary among the papers of the Convention.

### ARTICLE XIII.

#### CHAMPIONSHIP.

SECTION 1. On or before the 15th day of February of each year, the Convention shall provide a bat to be styled the Champion Bat, to be retained by the club holding it at the

end of the season, such club to be known as the Champion Club of that year; and such club shall open the season for the following year.

SEC. 2. The club holding the Champion Bat must accept all challenges, and play all matches for the championship in the order of the reception of the challenges during the season; but shall not be required to play more than one match in any one month. And all matches for the championship shall be decided by the best two in three games, unless the contending clubs agree to decide the match by a single game. The season for the championship shall commence on the 15th day of February (before which day no challenge shall be sent), and end on the 30th day of November of each year. The Champion Club, in case of its refusal to accept a challenge, shall forfeit the Champion Bat to the challenging club. No club which has lost the Champion Bat shall be entitled to challenge the club winning it from them under sixty days.

#### ARTICLE XIV.

##### VIOLATION OF LAWS OF CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. Any club, officer or member of a club represented in this Convention, who shall violate any of the laws of this Convention, shall, upon complaint, be tried by said Convention; and, if found guilty, be censured, fined, suspended or expelled, as a majority of the Convention in its judgment may direct; *provided*, in cases of expulsion it shall require a two-thirds vote of all members present.

#### ARTICLE XV.

##### FINES AND PENALTIES.

SECTION 1. For disorderly conduct at a meeting, or refusing to obey a call to order, each offense, \$1.00.

SEC. 2. For leaving a meeting without permission of the chair, \$1.00.

SEC. 3. Members of committees, for neglect of duty, \$1.00.

SEC. 4. Members for non-attendance at any meeting, 50 cents.

SEC. 5. For being absent from a special meeting, after having signed a call for the same, \$2.00.

SEC. 6. For talking or smoking during time of meeting, 50 cents.

SEC. 7. No delegate in arrears shall be entitled to vote.

SEC. 8. Absence from the city or personal sickness, shall be a sufficient excuse for non-attendance at any meeting.

SEC. 9. Fines can only be remitted by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present.

#### ARTICLE XVI.

##### PLAYING RULES.

SECTION 1. The Rules and Regulations of the game of Base Ball for the Pacific Coast shall be those adopted by the National Convention of Base-Ball Players.

#### ARTICLE XVII.

##### AMENDMENTS.

SECTION 1. Alterations or amendments to these laws must be submitted in writing at a stated meeting of the Convention, and lie over until the succeeding stated meeting; and shall require the concurrence of two-thirds of the delegates present for their adoption.

SEC. 2. All laws or parts of laws heretofore adopted by this Convention are hereby repealed.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS.

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- 1.—Roll call, and collection of fines and dues.
- 2.—Reading minutes of preceding meeting.
- 3.—Reading of communications.
- 4.—Report of Committee on Credentials.
- 5.—Balloting on the admission of clubs and delegates.
- 6.—Report of standing committees.
- 7.—Report of special committees.
- 8.—Reports of officers.
- 9.—Deferred business.
- 10.—New business.
- 11.—Adjournment.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF THE

### National Association of Base-Ball Players,

AS AMENDED DEC. 12, 1866, AND ADOPTED BY THE PACIFIC  
BASE-BALL CONVENTION.

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#### The Ball.

SECTION 1. The ball must weigh not less than five and one-half, nor more than five and three-fourth ounces, avoirdupois. It must measure not less than nine and one-half, nor more than nine and three-fourths inches in circumference. It must be composed of India rubber and yarn, and covered with leather, and, in all match games, shall be furnished by the challenging club, and become the property of the winning club as a trophy of victory.

#### The Bat.

SEC. 2. The bat must be round, and must not exceed two and a half inches in diameter in the thickest part. It must be made of wood, and may be of any length to suit the striker.

#### The Bases.

SEC. 3. The bases must be four in number, placed at equal distances from each other, and securely fastened upon each corner of a square, whose sides are respectively thirty yards. They must be so constructed as to be distinctly seen by the

umpire, and must cover a space equal to one square foot of surface. The first, second and third bases shall be canvas bags, painted white, and filled with some soft material; the home base and pitcher's point to be each marked by a flat circular iron plate, painted or enameled white.

SEC. 4. The base from which the ball is struck shall be designated the Home Base, and must be directly opposite to the second base; the first base must always be that upon the right-hand, and the third base that upon the left-hand side of the striker, when occupying his position at the Home Base. And in all match games, a line connecting the home and first base and the home and third base, shall be marked by the use of chalk, or other suitable material, so as to be distinctly seen by the umpire.

#### The Pitcher's Position.

SEC. 5. The pitcher's position shall be designated by two lines two yards in length, drawn at right angles to the line from home to the second base, having their centres upon that line at two fixed iron plates, placed at points fifteen and sixteen and one-third yards distant from the home base. The pitcher must stand within these lines, and must deliver the ball as near as possible over the centre of the home base, and fairly for the striker.

#### Delivering Unfair Balls.

SEC. 6. Should a pitcher repeatedly fail to deliver the striker fair balls, for the apparent purpose of delaying the game, or for any cause, the umpire, after warning him, shall call one ball; and if the pitcher persists in such actions, two and three balls; when three balls have been called, the striker shall take his first base; and should any base be occupied at that time, each player occupying it shall take

one base without being put out. *All balls delivered by the pitcher, striking the ground before reaching the line of the home base, or pitched over the head of the batsman, or pitched to the side opposite to which the batsman strikes from, shall be considered unfair balls.*

#### Pitching—Balks.

SEC. 7. The ball must be pitched, not jerked, nor thrown to the bat; and whenever the pitcher moves with the apparent purpose or pretension to deliver the ball, he shall so deliver it, and must have neither foot in advance of the front line, or off the ground, at the time of delivering the balls; and if he fails in either of these particulars, then it shall be declared a balk. *The ball shall be considered as jerked, in the meaning of the rule, if the pitcher's arm touches his person when the arm is swung forward to deliver the ball; and it shall be regarded as a throw if the arm be bent at the elbow, at an angle from the body, or horizontally from the shoulder, when it is swung forward to deliver the ball. A pitched ball is one delivered with the arm straight, and swinging perpendicularly, and free from the body.*

#### Players Entitled to a Base on Balks.

SEC. 8. When a balk is made by the pitcher, every player running the bases is entitled to one base, without being put out.

#### Striker—when a Player.

SEC. 9. *The striker shall be considered a player running the bases, as soon as he has struck a fair ball.*

#### Balls—when called Dead.

SEC. 10. *Any ball delivered by the pitcher on which a balk or a ball has been called, shall be considered dead, and not in the play, until it has been settled in the hands of the pitcher, while*



*he stands within the lines of his position; and no such ball, if hit, shall put the striker out.*

### Three Strikes—Last Ball not Caught.

SEC. 11. If three balls are struck at, and missed, and the last one is not caught, either flying or upon the first bound, it shall be considered fair, and the striker must attempt to make his run.

### "Foul"—"Out."

SEC. 12. The striker is out if a foul ball is caught, either before touching the ground, or upon the first bound.

### Three Strikes—Last Ball Caught.

SEC. 13. Or, if three balls are struck at and missed, and the last is caught, either before touching the ground or upon the first bound, *provided the balls struck at are not those on which balls or balks have been called, or not those struck at for the purpose of wilfully striking out.*

### Fair Ball—Fly.

SEC. 14. Or, if a ball is struck, and the ball is caught without having touched the ground.

### Fair Ball—First Base.

SEC. 15. Or, if a fair ball is struck, and the ball is held by an adversary on first base, before the striker touches that base.

### Players Touched by the Ball while Running.

SEC. 16. Any player running the bases is out, if at any time he is touched by the ball while in play in the hands of an adversary, without some part of his person being on the base.

### No Base on a Foul Ball.

SEC. 17. No run nor base can be made upon a foul ball;

such a ball shall be considered dead, and not in play, until it shall first have been settled in the hands of the pitcher; in such cases, players running bases shall return to them, and may be put out in so returning in the same manner as when running to the first base.

### Running Bases. BANCROFT LIBRARY

SEC. 18. No run nor base can be made when a fair ball has been caught without having touched the ground; such a ball shall be considered alive and in play. In such cases, players running bases shall return to them, and may be put out in so returning in the same manner as when running to the first base; but players, when balls are so caught, may run their bases immediately after the ball has been settled in the hands of the player catching it.

### Striker's Position—Strike in Rotation.

SEC. 19. The striker, *when in the act of striking shall not step forward or backward*, but must stand on a line drawn through the centre of the home base, not exceeding in length three feet from either side thereof, and parallel with the line occupied with the pitcher. He shall be considered the striker *until he has struck a fair ball*. Players must strike in regular rotation, and, after the first inning is played, the turn commences with the player who stands on the list next to the one who lost the third hand. Bancroft Library

### Vacating Bases—Putting Players Out.

SEC. 20. Players must take their bases in the order of striking; and when a fair ball is struck, and not caught flying, the first base must be vacated, as also the second and third bases, if they are occupied at the same time. Players must be put out upon any base, under these circumstances, in the same manner as when running to the first base.



**Touch Bases in Order.**

SEC. 21. Players running bases must touch them; and, so far as possible, keep upon the direct line between them, and must touch them in the following order; first, second, third and home; and if returning must reverse this order; and should any player run three feet out of this line for the purpose of avoiding the ball in the hands of an adversary, he shall be declared out.

**Preventing Catches.**

SEC. 22. Any player who shall intentionally prevent an adversary from catching or fielding the ball, shall be declared out.

**Preventing a Player making a Base.**

SEC. 23. If the player is prevented from making a base, by the intentional obstruction of an adversary, he shall be entitled to that base, and not be put out.

**Stopping the Ball.**

SEC. 24. If an adversary stops the ball with his hat or cap, or if a ball be stopped by any person not engaged in the game, or if he takes it from the hands of any one not engaged in the game, no player can be put out unless the ball shall first have been settled in the hands of the pitcher, *when he is standing within the lines of his position.*

**Striker Out.**

SEC. 25. If a ball, from the stroke of a bat, is held under any other circumstances than as enumerated in Section 24, and without having touched the ground, the striker is out.

**Running Home after Striker is Out.**

SEC. 26. If two hands are already out, no player running

home at the time the ball is struck can make a run to count in the score of the game, if the striker is *put out by a fair catch, by being touched between home and the first base, or by the ball being held by an adversary at the first base before the striker reaches it.*

**Conclusion of Innings.**

SEC. 27. An inning must be concluded at the time the third hand is put out.

**Conclusion of Game.**

SEC. 28. The game shall consist of nine innings to each side, when, should the number of runs be equal, the play shall be continued until a majority of runs, upon an equal number of innings, shall be declared, which shall conclude the game.

**Matches.**

SEC. 29. In playing all matches, nine players from each club shall constitute a full field, and they must have been regular members of the club which they represent, and of no other club, either in or out of the Pacific B. B. Convention for thirty days immediately prior to the match. Position of players and choice of innings shall be determined by captains previously appointed for that purpose by the respective clubs.

**The Umpire.**

SEC. 30. The umpire shall take care that the regulations respecting the ball, bats, bases and the pitcher's and striker's position are strictly observed. He shall be the judge of fair and unfair play, and shall determine all disputes and differences which may occur during the game. He shall take special care to declare all foul balls, balks, *strikes and balls immediately upon their occurrence, and when a player is put out, in what position and manner, unsked, and in a distinct and*

audible manner. He shall, in every instance, before leaving the ground, declare the winning club, and shall record his decision in the book of the scores.

#### Selection of Umpire and Scorers.

SEC. 31. In all matches the umpire shall be selected by the captains of the respective sides, and shall perform all the duties enumerated in Section 30, except recording the game, which shall be done by two scorers, one of whom shall be appointed by each of the contending clubs.

#### Bets.

SEC. 32. No person engaged in a match, either as umpire, scorer or player, shall be either directly or indirectly interested in any bet upon the game. Neither umpire, scorer or player shall be changed during the match, unless with the consent of both parties, *except for reason of illness or injury*, or for a violation of this law, and then the umpire may dismiss any transgressor.

#### When Play shall be Suspended.

SEC. 33. The umpire in any match shall determine when play shall be suspended; and if the game cannot be concluded, it shall be decided by the last even innings, provided five innings have been played, and the party having the greatest number of runs shall be declared the winner.

#### Balls Knocked beyond Bounds.

SEC. 34. Clubs may adopt such rules respecting balls knocked beyond or outside of the bounds of the field, as the circumstances of the ground may demand; and these rules shall govern all matches played upon the ground, provided that they are distinctly made known to every player and umpire previous to the commencement of the game.

#### Talking to Umpire.

SEC. 35. No person shall be permitted to approach or to speak with the umpire, scorers or players, or in any manner to interrupt or interfere during the progress of the game, unless by special request of the umpire.

#### Umpires and Scorers must be Members of Clubs.

SEC. 36. No person shall be permitted to act as umpire or scorer in any match, unless he shall be a member of a Baseball Club governed by these rules.

#### Calling Play at Time Appointed.

SEC. 37. Whenever a match shall have been determined upon between two clubs, play shall be called at the exact hour appointed; and should either party fail to produce their players within thirty minutes thereafter, the party so failing shall admit a defeat, *and shall deliver the ball before leaving the ground, which ball must be received by the club who are ready to play, and the game shall be considered as won, and so counted in the list of matches played; and the winning club shall be entitled to a score of nine runs for any game so forfeited, unless the delinquent side fail to play on account of a recent death of one of its members, and sufficient time has not elapsed to enable them to give their opponents due notice before arriving on the ground.*

#### When Games are Null and Void.

SEC. 38. Any match game played by any club in contravention of the rules adopted by this Convention, shall be considered null and void, and shall not be counted in the list of match games won or lost, except a game be delayed by rain beyond the time appointed to commence the same. Any match game can be put off by mutual consent of the

parties about engaging in the game. No match game shall be commenced in the rain.

### Players in Arrears.

SEC. 39. No person who shall be in arrears to any other club, or shall at any time receive compensation for his services as a player, shall be competent to play in any match. *All players who play base ball for money, place, or emolument, shall be regarded as professional players; and no professional players shall take part in any match game; and any club giving any compensation to a player, or having to their knowledge a player in their nine, playing in a match for compensation, shall be debarred from membership in the Pacific B. B. Convention; and they shall not be considered by any club belonging to this Convention as a proper club to engage in a match with; and should any club so engage with them, they shall forfeit membership.*

### Failure to Strike.

SEC. 40. Should the striker stand at the bat without striking at good balls repeatedly pitched to him, for the apparent purpose of delaying the game, or of giving advantage to a player, the umpire, after warning him, shall call "one strike;" and if he persists in such action, two and three strikes. When three strikes are called, he shall be subject to the same rules as if he had struck at three fair balls.

**"Two Out of Three."**

SEC. 41. Every match hereafter made shall be decided by the best two games out of three, unless a single game shall be mutually agreed upon by the contesting clubs.

NOTE.—Wherever the name "National Association" appears in these pages, we have substituted "B. B. Convention," for the convenience of players on this coast.

Diagram of a Score Book--Base Ball Club.

POSITION NO.	PLAYERS.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	INN.	OUTS.	REMARKS.
Runs each inning....													
Total.													
<div> <div> <div>Date, 186-</div> <div>Umpire.</div> <div>Scorer.</div> </div> <div> <div>Fly Catches</div> <div>Foul Catches</div> <div>Foul Bound Catches</div> <div>Outs on Foul</div> </div> <div> <div>Outs on Base</div> <div>No. of Balls Pitched</div> <div>Balls Passed Catcher</div> <div>Bases Made on Passed Balls</div> </div> <div> <div>Fly Missed</div> <div>Left on Base</div> <div>Struck Out</div> <div>Time of Game</div> </div> <div>HOME RUNS.</div> </div>													

The preceding diagram is made from the Score Book of the Cosmopolitan B. B. Club, and is considered quite complete. It will be noticed that there are four squares opposite the name of each player—one in which to record runs, another for the outs, another for the fielding, and the last for special occasions, such as "home runs," etc.

*Abbreviations for Scorers.*

Use the first letter in the words Home, Fly, Trip, and Run-out; the last in Bound, Foul and Struck; and the letters A, B and C for the first three bases. Indicate a run by a dot, left on base by a cross, and the first, second and third hands out, by the figures 1, 2 and 3. H. R. for home runs.

**STRUCK OUT.**—When a batter strikes at and misses a ball three times, and the last ball is caught by the catcher, or when the ball is held at the first base before the batter reaches it.

**FOUL BALL.**—When a batter strikes a foul ball, and it is caught either on the fly or the first bound.

**FLY CATCH.**—All balls caught on the fly, whether they are fair or foul.

**MISSED CATCH.**—If the ball touches the fielder's hands, and he fails to hold it.

**PASSED BALLS.**—Are those missed by the catcher, so that any player makes a base. Count no others.

**RUN OUT.**—When a player is put out between the bases by being touched with the ball. The player touching him receives the credit.

**LEFT ON BASE.**—When a side goes out, and players are still on the bases.

**HOME RUN.**—A player striking the ball to the outer field; then making the round of the bases, touching each base in succession, and not stopping on either of them to avoid being put out, before the ball is returned within the lines of the bases.

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