

OUTFIELD GUIDELINES

Anticipate

- Know the situation.
- Know the positioning of other two outfielders.
- Know who is pitching, hitting, on base, and who is on deck.
- Know weather conditions...wind, wet turf, etc.
- Know location of the sun.
- Know the score.

Communicate

- Pre-pitch with other outfielders, infielders, and bench.
- Ball in play be loud.
 - Initial call of MINE MINE MINE.
 - Call off is BALL BALL BALL.
 - YOU is response call.

Minimize

- Keep singles singles, doubles doubles, and triples on 3B.
- Back up all potential infield plays and throws.
- Always take good angles to balls in the gap

Execute

- Keep the ball in front of you at all times.
- Work through the cut-off man.
- Throw to proper base.

Optimize

- Always keep the double play in order.

Moving with the count

- Straight Up: 0-0, 1-1, 3-2
- Pull: 1-0, 2-0, 2-1, 3-1
- Shade Oppo: 0-1, 0-2, 1-2, 2-2

Throwing Rules

- No throws directly to 3B or home plate unless the play is routine. HIT THE CUT.
- No throws that would require extraordinary effort for them to be successful. Hit the cut and keep the double play in order, or keep the runners from advancing into scoring position. This will help reduce big innings. The only exception here is if it is a game ending, walk-off situation.