

MOA-ism's

- Always have your rule book available
- Call your partner the night before game (game time, parking, shirt, Plate/Base)
- Keep your Arbiter up-to-date
- Walk on and off the field with your partner
- Accept or decline your assignments as soon as practicable
- Park in designated parking spaces---we don't get special treatment
- Base Umpire will never wear less than the Plate Umpire
- Plate Meeting should be brief and concise—they (coaches) aren't really listening anyway
- Don't let coaches "bait you" about a play that happened last week—you were not there, so don't offer an explanation
- Don't call the Assignor about a "potential" rain-out , he will call you
- Study your rule book as often as possible
- "Making the Call since 1968"
- Be on time, and start your game on time
- Ensure that you have an appropriate coin for "coin toss games"
- If coach comes out to discuss a call—walk toward him/her---
- Don't hang your mask on a fence, or put it on the ground, and don't lean against a fence
- One hour and thirty minutes, no new means one hour and thirty minutes—don't get caught shaving time
- Don't hang your five-gallon water jug on the fence
- Work the game at the position assigned
- Don't touch player equipment and don't touch a player, and once game begins, do not enter the dugout(s)
- Present only the facts when completing an Ejection/Incident Report
- Don't yell "Coaches" to bring them to your Plate Meeting
- Immediately address any safety issues
- Always bring your plate gear to a game, even if you are assigned to work the bases
- Abide by the uniform policies –MOA logo--and always wear clean clothes and polished shoes. Clean your gear the night before, not 30 minutes before game time
- Call the Assignor about anything weird that happens during your game
- Plate Umpire fill out your game reports promptly