



## ANSWERS

### QUESTION #1

The batter is **OUT**

### QUESTION #2

If discovered **AFTER** the first pitch; the play stands

### QUESTION #3

If the ball is **NOT** touched in fair territory, it is a foul ball

### QUESTION #4

The runner is **OUT**

### QUESTION #5

The runner is out immediately upon touching the original home plate

THESE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ARE BASED ON ASA RULES.

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## The Official NJSSA Website

<http://njsseniorsoftball.com> can be accessed from your web browser. Upon entry, the selections are located along the left hand column. You can 'click' on any of the links to see what information are contained in each.

For example, select Leagues, select your county such as Middlesex County and view the desired information. The selections are arranged with the most likely accessed appearing from top to bottom. Not all pages are complete so you will have to bear with me while they are being constructed. All counties are setup differently depending on how their leagues are organized and information maintained.

It would be great to have an individual from each county maintain and format their information for me. Suggestions on the website can be sent to: [webmaster@njsseniorsoftball.com](mailto:webmaster@njsseniorsoftball.com). Have a great softball season.

Bobby Lorincz

## History of...

# MIDDLESEX COUNTY SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE

## "HAVE FUN AND DON'T GET HURT"

The 50's league started in 1990 with 8 teams and approximately 100 players. At that time there was no senior softball beyond the 50's. Tom Jackson who had played in the 50's league was determined to continue beyond the 50's since Tom was now 60+. As a result he solicited players whom he had known were previous/currently playing in the 50's but were now in there 60's. I was one of the players Tom spoke to and I agreed with him to set up a 60+ league. Together we organized in 1995 a 60+ league with 4 teams, one of which was from Mercer County to give us the 4 teams. The first year we paid for all the expenses including uniforms for each of the 4 teams and we were fortunate to use the softball fields at East Brunswick Vo-Tech for a 2 year period.

In 1997 we switched to the newly renovated Veterans Park in Old Bridge and have been playing there since with the addition of a Dell's field also in Old Bridge. In 1996 we entered a Middlesex 60+ team to play in the Mercer 60+ league and that first year we won the Mercer league championship and also that same year entered the same team (called Frank's Boys) in the NJ State Tournament 60+ and won the State Championship.

Since 1995, Middlesex County 60+ (MC60+) has continued to be very active and has grown from the original 4 teams to now 8 teams with approximately 120 players. Players in this league are anywhere in age from 60 to 85 years old (some guys never quit) and we are very proud of this fact.

Because of the keen interest of MC60+ we started another 60+ league in 2001 and we refer to this league as the "retired league" since all games are played during the day typically double headers for all those players who in fact are retired and can play during the day. This league, also started and run by Tom Jackson, started with 4 teams and currently has 6 teams.

With a mission statement "have fun and don't get hurt", senior softball utilizes several safety rules to minimize bodily contact/collisions such as supplemental double bases, allowing overrunning bases and restricting use of only legally authorized bats, etc. Pitching is from 50-55 feet from home and includes using a 6 to 12 foot arch sometimes referred to as slow-pitch. This game is primarily a hitters game and is very competitive among the players and teams. Teams are organized so that there is reasonable parity among each team which offers any team the ability to win on a given day. New players are drafted each year and put into a players pool from which managers may select based on the teams league standing the previous year, with last place team having first draft choice to help strengthen the weaker teams. New players are rated A, B, C and take into consideration hitting, throwing, fielding and running.

Expenses of our league are paid by basically all the players. Until this most recent past year 2007, umpiring was done by the players as opposed to paid umpires to minimize the annual expenses. Also, each player signs a waiver form agreeing that the league has no medical coverage and each player is responsible for his own expenses in case of injury, etc. Fortunately over the past 14 years there has not been any type of claim by any player and no player has sustained any serious injury.

As any successful organization continues, it is only by people truly and sincerely dedicated that continue to donate their time and efforts to insure success and longevity. Of course MC60+ has such individuals from the start in 1995 and these key people deserve the recognition and thanks for the job they did and continue to do each year. First and foremost

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