

JEWELRY

ASA Rule 3.6.F (p. 68):

Exposed jewelry, which is judged by the umpire to be dangerous, must be removed and may not be worn during the game. Medical alert bracelets or necklaces are not considered jewelry. If worn, they must be taped to the body so the medical alert information remains visible.

This rule has historically caused confusion and problems because each umpire had their own interpretation of what they judged to be dangerous. As a result the board decided for this year to adopt a standardized rule.

HCO Jewelry Rule

No player will be allowed to wear exposed jewelry. The lone exception to this is a FLAT wedding band. Medical alert bracelets or necklaces are not considered jewelry. If worn, they must be taped to the body so the medical alert information remains visible.

There are some of us that have normally used a more lenient rule. However, this is the rule which we all need to enforce. Make sure that you remind the coaches of this at your plate conferences.

Enforcement

Make sure and stress this at your plate conference.

The first person seen with jewelry once the game starts will be issued a technical out.

Any subsequent offense by any player will be disqualified.

NOTE: There is only one technical out per game. Not one per team.

The jewelry enforcement applies to all leagues that we cover. The technical out is **ONLY** used for HCR&P games. For all other leagues, give them one warning, then disqualify.