

Summary of 2025 MLB Rule Changes for the 2026 Baseball Canada Season

- Amended Rule 5.02(c) to specify the awards given to the batter and runner(s) if an illegally positioned infielder fields a batted ball. **Not applicable to Baseball Canada.**
- Added Rule 5.02(c) Penalty Comment to reflect that the offensive manager may elect to accept the result of the play rather than the penalty that occurred due to an illegally positioned infielder fielding a batted ball. **Not applicable to Baseball Canada.**
- Amended Rules within “9.00 – The Official Scorer” to account for official scoring of batters who are awarded first base due to a shift restriction violation and of fielders who commit shift restriction violations. **Not applicable to Baseball Canada.**