



## Back Pocket Fielding Tips



Cut out rows, fold and laminate. Give to players to review between pitches.

<p><b>Pitching</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guard your pitch count (limit junk pitches)</li> <li>• Throw strikes. (more strikes=more outs)</li> <li>• Use your best pitch most often</li> <li>• Aim for spots (In/Out, Up/Down)</li> </ul>	Fold here	<p><b>Hitting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know the situation (how many outs?)</li> <li>• Look for the signal (steal? Take? Bunt?)</li> <li>• Look for your best pitch (sml strike zone early)</li> <li>• Know the count (every pitch)</li> <li>• Know how good/bad the pitcher going.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Catching</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Get play/signal from bench</li> <li>• Confirm play with position players (e.g. 1<sup>st</sup>&amp;3<sup>rd</sup> plays, blunt plays)</li> <li>• Recognise hitter's ability</li> <li>• CHASE everything that gets passed</li> </ul>	Fold here	<p><b>Hitting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know the situation (how many outs?)</li> <li>• Look for the signal (steal? Take? Bunt?)</li> <li>• Look for your best pitch (sml strike zone early)</li> <li>• Know the count (every pitch)</li> <li>• Know how good/bad the pitcher going.</li> </ul>
<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Base</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicate out count to infield (every new hitter)</li> <li>• Confirm moves with Pitcher and 2<sup>nd</sup> for bunt.</li> <li>• Must block the ball (no pass balls)</li> <li>• Remind pitchers to cover 1<sup>st</sup> with lefty hitters</li> </ul>	Fold here	<p><b>Hitting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know the situation (how many outs?)</li> <li>• Look for the signal (steal? Take? Bunt?)</li> <li>• Look for your best pitch (sml strike zone early)</li> <li>• Know the count (every pitch)</li> <li>• Know how good/bad the pitcher going.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Pivots (2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; Short)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicate out count to outfield (every new hitter)</li> <li>• Know cut-off roles</li> <li>• Confirm who is covering 2<sup>nd</sup> base.</li> <li>• Limit the runner's lead (decoy/pick-off)</li> <li>• Adjust position for situation (double/home)</li> </ul>	Fold here	<p><b>Hitting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know the situation (how many outs?)</li> <li>• Look for the signal (steal? Take? Bunt?)</li> <li>• Look for your best pitch (sml strike zone early)</li> <li>• Know the count (every pitch)</li> <li>• Know how good/bad the pitcher going.</li> </ul>
<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Base</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjust position for situation (double/bunt sit.)</li> <li>• Communicate with Pitch (be his friend)</li> <li>• Defend against the bunt or 2B hit</li> <li>• Know cut-off roles</li> </ul>	Fold here	<p><b>Hitting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know the situation (how many outs?)</li> <li>• Look for the signal (steal? Take? Bunt?)</li> <li>• Look for your best pitch (sml strike zone early)</li> <li>• Know the count (every pitch)</li> <li>• Know how good/bad the pitcher going.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Outfield</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confirm out count with infield and outfield</li> <li>• Adjust position for situation (shallow/deep)</li> <li>• Confirm cut-off roles</li> </ul>	Fold here	<p><b>Hitting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know the situation (how many outs?)</li> <li>• Look for the signal (steal? Take? Bunt?)</li> <li>• Look for your best pitch (sml strike zone early)</li> <li>• Know the count (every pitch)</li> <li>• Know how good/bad the pitcher going.</li> </ul>