

BATTING OUT OF ORDER

Rule 9.01 (4): The scorer shall not call the attention of the umpire OR any member of either team to the fact that a player is batting out of turn.

Rule 6.03 (b) Batting Out of Turn.

Rule 9.03 (d): says,

- 1) When a player bats out of turn, and is put out, and the proper batter is called out before the first ball is pitched to the next batter, charge the proper batter with a time at bat and score the put out and any assists the same as if the correct batting order has been followed.
- 2) If an improper batter becomes a runner and the proper batter is called out for having missed his turn at bat, charge the proper batter with a time at bat, credit the put out to the catcher, and **ignore everything** (except the pitch count) entered into the improper batter's safe arrival on base.
- 3) If more than one batter bats out of turn in succession score all plays just as they occur, skipping the turn at bat of the player or players who missed batting in the proper order.

Improper Batter Still at bat.	1) Improper Batter Out 6 – 3, but no pitch yet to next batter.	2) Improper Batter on Base, but no pitch yet to next batter.	3) Improper batter on Base and a pitch made to the next batter.
Appeal made ↓	Appeal made ↓	Appeal made ↓	Appeal made ↓
Improper batter replaced with the proper batter	Improper batter sent back to dugout.	Improper batter sent back to dugout.	Improper batter normalized; he is now the "Proper Batter"
Proper batter assumes existing count.	Proper batter is put out using the fielding stats scored, plus BOO. In this instance the catcher does not get the out.	Proper batter is called out, score a BOO 2. Remember to keep the pitches from this at bat in the pitchers count.	Next batter: the player following the newly normalized "proper batter".
No penalties.	The improper batter who was put out is now put up to bat again.	Nullify all actions resulting from improper at batter and he comes up to bat again.	No penalties.

HINT

When you notice Batting out of order, Score in the area of who the batter actually is, at bat at the time.

Do this in pencil until the next batter has one pitch pitched to him making the previous batter a legal batter.

If Batting Out of Order is called by the Umpire because of an appeal, copy all the Pitch count of the improper batter to the proper batter for Pitch Counts purposes for juniors.