

## UCSSL Ground Rules

### Rahway River Park Baseball

- **Right field Line:** in play line will be from edge of backstop to large tree by bleachers, straight out to second large tree right of foul pole.
- **Left field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to beginning of black fence and following that line all the way out paralleling the black fence.
- All parts of trees in outfield will be played as a wall. A fly ball off any part of these trees may not be caught for an out. Runners may advance “all you can get” on balls off these tree. If a ball reaches the other field beyond these trees and outside person or object interferes with the ball, it will be the umpire’s discretions how many bases the runners would have gotten had that interference not occurred.
- Any ball touching a tree branch in foul territory will be considered a dead ball and unplayable

### Rahway River Park #4

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to end of cement slab on ground all the way out to the last tree on the right surrounding track.
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be backstop to end of cement slab holding bleachers and then on a straight line out paralleling foul line from that point.

### Rahway River Park #3 (just in case we ultimately get this field)

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to end of cement slab straight to tree down right field line.
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to tree down left field line and then straight out from there paralleling foul line
- A ball over the track fence on a fly is a home run. Bouncing over the fence is a ground rule double. A ball into the shot put/discus netting shall be played as a fence and runners may proceed “all you can get”

### Warinanco Park #1

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to large tree and then straight out to street
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop on a direct line to large evergreen tree beyond fence in outfield
- Any ball rolling into the street (on the ground or on a fly ball) to the right of the light post in Right Center field will be a ground rule double. To the left of the light post will be a ground rule home run. This ground rule will hold even if the ball was touched by a fielder in play. No ball may be played in the street. A ball hitting this light post and not going in the street is still in play. If an umpire deems that a ball was deliberately directed into the street right of this light post by a defensive player, it will be at his/her discretion where to place the base-runners.
- Any ball touching a tree branch in foul territory will be considered a dead ball and unplayable

## Warinanco #2

- **Right field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to far edge of bleachers and then straight out from that point on a parallel line of bleachers
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to far corner of bleachers and straight line from there parallel to bleachers
- Any ball touching a tree branch in foul territory will be considered a dead ball and unplayable

## Linden Memorial #2

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from back stop to dugout fence and then along fence line
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to dugout fence and then along fence line
- Any batted ball going through or under any fence will be a dead ball and considered a ground rule double. A thrown ball going under or through any fence will be subject to overthrow rules (two bases from the time of the throw)
- Any ball touching a tree branch in foul territory will be an unplayable foul ball

## Linden Memorial #3

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be the fence line. Ball going through dugout gap in fence will be considered a dead ball and out of play.
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be the fence line. Ball going through dugout gap will be considered a dead ball and out of play.
- Any batted ball going through or under any fence will be a dead ball and considered a ground rule double. A thrown ball going under or through any fence will be subject to overthrow rules (two bases from the time of the throw)

## Tremley Field

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to first dugout fence post straight out to light stanchion to large tree closes to foul pole
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to first dugout fence post and then straight out to light stanchion.
- A ball deemed to be fair but then rolling into the street on either side of the extent of the outfield fence will be considered a ground rule double
- Any batted ball going through or under any fence will be a dead ball and considered a ground rule double. A thrown ball going under or through any fence will be subject to overthrow rules (two bases from the time of the throw)
- A ball traveling over the outfield fence and into the netting beyond will be considered a home run on the fly and a ground rule double on the bounce.
- A ball hitting overhanging tree branches *in fair territory* in the right field corner shall be played as a wall. Any ball hitting these branches in fair territory and then clearing the right field fence into the netting shall be a home run. Any ball hitting these branches and caroming beyond the in play line will be a dead ball and a ground rule double. Any ball hitting a tree branch in foul territory cannot be played and is a dead ball.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Ward Field

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to far post in the gap in the fence and then straight out along fence line. Any ball crossing to sidewalk will be deemed a dead ball and out of play
- A ball hitting overhanging tree branches *in fair territory* along the right field line shall be played as a wall. Any ball hitting these branches and caroming beyond the in play line will be a dead ball and a ground rule double. Any ball hitting a tree branch in foul territory cannot be played and is a dead ball.
- A fair batted ball that caroms off the tree down the right field line will be considered in play and live unless it caroms into previously mentioned dead ball territory
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to telephone pole at fence
- Batted balls into outfield playground or tree stump will be deemed live “all you can get” for baserunners

## Jerseyland

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to beginning of dugout fence. Beyond end of dugout fence anything reaching the blacktop path will be out of play
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to beginning of dugout fence. Beyond end of dugout fence anything reaching the blacktop path will be out of play. (Grassy area in foul territory is all in play)
- **Outfield:** Scoreboard is in play and to be played as a wall. Any ball reaching the blacktop and basketball courts beyond is a home run whether it got there on a fly or a bounce/roll.

## Meisel Baseball Field

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to dugout fence. Line will continue from end of dugout fence straight out on a line parallel to the right field foul line.
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from backstop to dugout fence. Line will continue from end of dugout fence straight out on a line parallel to the left field foul line.
- **Outfield:** All recently planted trees and their enclosures will be played as a wall. A ball reaching the outfield black top on the fly or a bounce/roll will be a home run No ball may be legally played on the outfield blacktop or vegetation beyond. **CLARIFICATION:** Any ball landing fair and then rolling out of play in **foul** territory will be a dead ball and a double.

## Nomahegan

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from end of backstop to dugout fence. Beyond dugout fence the grassy area will be in play until the ball reaches the blacktop path.
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from end of backstop to dugout fence. The line will continue from end of dugout fence to just inside large tree in Left Field. Any ball touching this tree is out of play.
- **Outfield:** treat all trees in fair territory in front of blacktop path as a wall. A ball reaching the outfield black top on the fly or on a roll/bounce in any part of the outfield will be a home run. onto the outfield No ball may be legally played on the outfield blacktop or beyond. **CLARIFICATION:** Any ball landing fair and then rolling out of play in **foul** territory will be a dead ball and a double. If a ball rolls into picnic table area, it will be the umpire’s discretion as to where to place the runners considering where the ball would have gone had the interference not occurred.

## Kawameeh Baseball Field

- **Right Field Line:** in play line will be from the backstop to the dugout fence and then on a parallel line with the foul line.
- **Left Field Line:** in play line will be from the backstop to the dugout fence and then on a parallel line with the foul line.
- **Outfield:** Will be umpire's discretion if interference occurs from fielders on the opposite field. Umpire will make the call on the batter and place runners appropriately had the interference not occurred.