

1867 Pacific Base-Ball Guide Scoring Instructions

The preceding diagram is made from the Score Book of the Cosmopolitans B. B. Club, and is considered quite complete. It will be noticed that there are four squares opposite the name of each player—one in which to record runs, another for the outs, another for the fielding, and the last for special occasions, such as “home runs,” etc.

Abbreviations for Scorers.

Use the first letter in the words Home, Fly, Trip[sic], and Run-out; the last in Bound, Foul and Struck; and the letters A, B and C for the first three bases. Indicate a run by a dot, left on base by a cross, and the first, second and third hands out by the figures 1, 2 and 3. H. R. for home runs.

STRUCK OUT.—When a batter strikes at and misses a ball three times, and the last ball is caught by the catcher, or when the ball is held at first base before the batter reaches it.

FOUL BALL.—When a batter strikes a foul ball, and it is caught either on the fly or the first bound.

FLY CATCH.—All balls caught on the fly, whether they are *fair* or *foul*.

MISSED CATCH.—If the ball touches the fielder’s hands, and he fails to hold it.

PASSED BALLS.—Are those missed by the catcher, *so that any player makes a base*. Count no others.

RUN OUT.—When a player is put out between the bases by being touched with the ball. The player touching him receives the credit.

LEFT ON BASE.—When a side goes out, and players are still on the bases.

HOME RUNS.—A player striking the ball to the outer field; then making the round of the bases, touching each base in succession, and not stopping on either of them to avoid being put out, before the ball is returned within the lines of the bases.

Source: 1867 Pacific Base-Ball Guide, page 34.

Speculated format of the scoring boxes:

Outs	Fielding
Runs/ LOB	Misc.