

NAGAAA Player Rating Guidelines

Introduction

Determining the rating of a player frequently involves more than simply answering "yes" or "no" to the twenty-seven questions that follow. Managers, coaches and anyone else who rates players are well served by observing all facets of a player's game: fielding (catching, throwing, positioning, discipline, knowledge, intuition), base running (speed, style, discipline, knowledge, intuition) and hitting (average, power, discipline, knowledge, intuition) – then applying that understanding to this framework.

Guidelines to Filling in "NG" and "NR" Columns

When completing the Team Roster and Ratings Form, you should understand the following two definitions:

- **Non-Gay Player (NG)** means someone who does not identify themselves as having a predominant sexual interest in a member or members of the same sex.
- **Non-Resident Player (NR)** means a person who, at the beginning of an association's GSWS qualifying season, does not live in the association's defined NAGAAA territory.

Guidelines to Answering Questions 1 – 27

1. As a guide to managers who are responsible to assign ratings or those who wish to learn more about ratings, please read the following:

NAGAAA Statement of Purpose: This form is intended to be used as a tool to assist those responsible for rating players so ratings may be fair and consistent across all levels of play and across all leagues in NAGAAA. All questions are intended to determine if a player possesses a skill or skills necessary for softball.

As a member of NAGAAA it is our duty and responsibility to rate all our league players and report these ratings, when applicable, to NAGAAA. The purpose of the ratings is to ensure all players are eligible to play in the appropriate NAGAAA division (A, B, C or D) should they attend a NAGAAA World Series or any other sanctioned NAGAAA slow-pitch softball tournament.

The Big Apple Softball League does not use NAGAAA ratings to determine whether a player or team belongs in its BASL division.

2. Consider that ALL questions will begin with the phrase: "Does the player have the ability to..."
3. Many questions have multiple parts. A YES to ANY one part is a YES to the entire question.
4. Please reference the definitions on page 2 when answering the questions.
5. Each question is followed by a box with a standardized BASL interpretation that should assist you in answering.

Guidelines to Calculating NAGAAA Open Division

Please note that the Big Apple Softball League does not use NAGAAA ratings to determine whether a player or team belongs in its BASL division.

A) CALCULATING TEAM DESIGNATION:

1. All players must be rated.
2. The ten (10) top rated players will be added together to give the team rating.

B) DIVISION GUIDELINES:

1. D Division

- i. All teams rated 0-105.
- ii. No players rated over 11 allowed on a D division team at a NAGAAA tournament.**

2. C Division

- i. All teams rated 106-145.
- ii. No players rated over 15 allowed on a C division team at a NAGAAA tournament.**

3. B Division

- i. All teams rated 146-185.
- ii. No players over 22 allowed on a B division team at a NAGAAA tournament.**

4. A Division

- i. All teams rated 186-270.

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Definitions [Source: NAGAAA Open Softball Division Instruments of Governance + BASL]

Aggressive Base Running – Possesses above average base running knowledge, and uses a combination of knowledge and judgment of the defense to take extra bases. This is not indicative of the base runner's speed.

Average/Above Average Speed –

1. Below Average Speed – a runner being able to run home to first in 5 + seconds or slower.
2. Average Speed – a runner being able to run home to first in 4 – 5 seconds.
3. Above Average Speed – a runner being able to run home to first in less than 4 seconds or faster.

Average Base Running Knowledge – Knowing what a force out is, when to tag up from a base, and knowing when to take the turn around a base.

Consistently – In ratings terms, "consistently" equals four out of five successful attempts when throwing, fielding or running, or three out of five successful attempts when batting.

Defense, Limited to Exceptional –

1. A limited level of defense is a theoretical set of players having the following skills: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8,
2. An intermediate level of defense is a theoretical set of players having skills greater than a limited level of defense but less than an exceptional level of defense.
3. An exceptional level of defense is a theoretical set of players having greater skills than: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

Hard Hit Ball – A ball hit at a minimum of 80 mph or greater than 250 feet in flight.

In the Gap – A ball that is hit at a distance that is more than 30 foot radius from the closest outfield defender.

In the Hole – A ball that is hit at a distance that is more than 12 foot radius from the closest infield defender.

Line Drive (Batted Ball) – A ball that from the point of contact rises vertically less than 10% of the total horizontal distance it travels. Line drives usually have a higher velocity than arcing fly balls.

Long Fly Ball – Any batted ball that travels further than 250 feet in flight.

Long Throw – A throw that travels 150 feet or more.

Medium Hit Ball; Medium Velocity – A ball hit 55 to 80 mph or hit 150 to 250 feet in flight.

Occasionally – In ratings terms, "occasionally" equals three out of five successful attempts when throwing, fielding or running, or two out of five successful attempts when batting.

On A Line (Thrown Ball) – A throw "on a line" rises vertically less than 10% of the total distance that it travels. Balls thrown "on a line" usually have a higher velocity than balls thrown with a rainbow arc.

On Purpose – With intent.

Proper place – Appropriate base or fielder.

Rainbow Arc (Thrown Ball) – A rainbow arc is a ball that from the point of release rises vertically 10% or more of the total distance that it travels.

Routine Fly Ball (Batted Ball) – A softball which is hit into the air and consistently caught by a defensive player using ordinary effort.

Rudimentary Base Running Knowledge – Player has an understanding that bases are run in a counter-clockwise direction and that all four bases must be touched in sequence to score a run.

S/he – S/he shall be read to mean and include all persons.

Slow Hit Ball – A ball hit up to 55 mph or hit 150 feet or less in flight.

Spectacular catch – When a player catches the ball while leaving his/her center of gravity or is able to overcome obstructions.

Speed, Average or Above Average – See "Average/Above Average Speed"

Take Extra Bases – Advance at least one base beyond what the opportunity would provide a base runner with average speed.

Velocity, Slow to Hard – See "Hard Hit Ball", "Medium Hit Ball", "Slow Hit Ball"

Vicinity – Within a step in any direction laterally of the player receiving the throw.

Within A Few Steps – Includes balls hit to the player as well as balls hit within a few steps of the player.

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THROWING

DEFINITIONS FOR THROWING, FIELDING AND BASE RUNNING QUESTIONS

OCCASIONALLY: means to be able to perform the particular skill without regularity. This means the skill can be performed **3 out of 5** times.

CONSISTENTLY: means to be able to perform the particular skill with great regularity. This mean the skill can be performed **4 out of 5** times.

Consider the field conditions and weather to be normal when answering these questions.

Almost all able-bodied players should be rated "YES" for questions 1, 6 and 15.

Questions 1-5 are intended to identify THROWING ability, and have nothing to do with the player's ability to field the ball.

Does the player have the ability to...

YES or NO **1.** occasionally throw a ball through the air 65 feet or better in the vicinity of another player? (65 feet is the distance between bases)

BASL Almost all physically abled softball players should be able to throw a ball 65 feet toward another player. Unless a player has very limited throwing ability, answer "yes".

Women's Div Usually/Always "YES"
Sachs Usually "YES"
Rainbow+ Almost Always "YES"

YES or NO **2.** consistently throw a ball through the air 90 feet or better in the vicinity of another player? (90 feet is the distance between 3rd and 1st)

OR

occasionally throw to the proper place turning accurate infield plays against runners with average base running speed?

BASL The question does not require the 90-foot throw to be a bullet; it may have a rainbow arc. In addition, the second part of the question is for fielders who typically are not required to throw as far (such as second base, pitcher, catcher) but who throw effectively from their positions. If the player can get the ball to travel 90 feet to another player (3rd to 1st, also the distance from medium/deep outfield to 2nd base) 4 out of 5 tries, or throws to the appropriate place to make an out for a shorter throw 3 out of 5 times, answer "yes".

Women's Div Sometimes/Usually "YES"
Sachs Sometimes "YES"
Rainbow Sometimes "YES"
Fitzpatrick Usually "YES"
Stonewall+ Usually/Always "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #2 automatically results in a "YES" to question #1.

YES or NO **3.** occasionally throw a ball through the air 90 feet or better without a rainbow arc in the vicinity of another player?

OR

consistently throw to the proper place turning accurate infield plays against runner with average base running speed?

BASL If the player can throw the ball 90 feet "on a line" (see definitions) with accuracy 3 out of 5 times, or throws to the appropriate place to for a shorter throw get an average runner out 4 out of 5 times, answer "yes".

Women's Div Sometimes "YES"
Sachs Rarely "YES"
Rainbow Rarely/Sometimes "YES"
Fitzpatrick Sometimes "YES"

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Stonewall+ Usually "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #3 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #1, #2.

YES or NO **4.** consistently throw a ball through the air 90 feet or better without a rainbow arc in the vicinity of another player?

BASL This question does not tell us if the player is a good fielder. It tells us s/he is strong and accurate long thrower on a consistent basis. Generally, few NAGAAA "D" players can do this and only some "C" players can. Catchers, pitchers, first and second basemen rarely have this skill.

Women's Div Rarely "YES"
Sachs Almost Never "YES"
Rainbow Never/Rarely "YES"
Fitzpatrick Rarely "YES"
Stonewall+ Sometimes/Usually "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #4 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #1, #2, #3.

YES or NO **5.** consistently throw without a rainbow arc to the proper place turning accurate infield plays against aggressive runners with above average speed?

OR

consistently make long throws without a rainbow arc from the outfield directly and accurately to the proper base completing proper plays against aggressive runners with above average speed?

BASL To answer this question "Yes", they must be able to throw out aggressive above average runners (Stonewall/Dima-level) four out five times, which requires quick, high-velocity and accurate throws from the infield or high-velocity 150-foot+ throws from the outfield. It is uncommon to see this level of skill below the "B" division, and even then it is not frequent.

Women's Div, Sachs, Rainbow & Fitzpatrick Almost Never "YES"
Stonewall Never/Rarely "YES"
Dima Rarely "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #5 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #1, #2, #3, #4.

FIELDING

DEFINITIONS FOR THROWING, FIELDING AND BASE RUNNING QUESTIONS

OCCASIONALLY: means to be able to perform the particular skill without regularity.
This means the skill can be performed **3 out of 5** times.

CONSISTENTLY: means to be able to perform the particular skill with great regularity.
This mean the skill can be performed **4 out of 5** times.

Consider the field conditions and weather to be normal when answering these questions.

Almost all able-bodied players should be rated "YES" for questions 1, 6 and 15.

Questions 6-14 are intended to identify FIELDING ability, and have nothing to do with the player's ability to throw the ball.

Does the player have the ability to...

YES or NO **6.** occasionally on purpose catch balls that are thrown to the player in a rainbow arc?

BASL All physically abled softball players should be able to catch a thrown ball. The question does not state a speed for the throw the player is catching – it could be a bullet, or a lob. Unless a player has very limited catching ability, answer

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"yes".
Women's Div Usually/Always "YES"
Sachs Usually "YES"
Rainbow+ Almost Always "YES"

YES or NO **7.** occasionally on purpose catch balls that are thrown to the player without a rainbow arc?

BASL *The question does not indicate the speed or distance of a throw. It implies the throw is coming to the player "on a line" as opposed to a rainbow arc or lob. Answer "yes" for most of your players, unless weak motor skills or limited experience prevent a player from being able to catch a straight-line throw three out five times.*

Women's Div Usually "YES"
Sachs Sometimes "YES"
Rainbow Sometimes/Usually "YES"
Fitzpatrick Usually "YES"
Stonewall+ Usually/Always "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #7 automatically results in a "YES" to question #6.

YES or NO **8.** consistently on purpose field slow hit balls that are within a few steps?

OR

consistently on purpose catch routine fly balls that are within 15 feet?

BASL *The first part of the question describes a weak hit on the ground where the defensive player has to move only a few steps to make the play, but has to do it every four out of five times. The second part of the question describes the easiest fly balls to catch, but in this case the player has to succeed four in five attempts. Less experienced NAGAAA "D" players may not be able to do this.*

Women's Div Usually "YES"
Sachs Sometimes "YES"
Rainbow Sometimes "YES"
Fitzpatrick+ Usually/Always "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #8 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #6, #7.

YES or NO **9.** consistently on purpose field medium hit balls that are within a few steps?

OR

consistently on purpose catch routine fly balls that are more than 15 feet away?

BASL *The first part question describes a 55-80 MPH ground ball (75-110 feet per second) that the defensive player has to move only a few steps to field. The second part of the question describes a fly ball that requires some running prior to the catch. Most NAGAAA "D" players and some less experienced "C" players may struggle to achieve this skill four out of five times.*

Women's Div Rarely "YES"
Sachs Never/Rarely "YES"
Rainbow Never/Rarely "YES"
Fitzpatrick Rarely/Sometimes "YES"
Stonewall+ Sometimes/Usually "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #9 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #6, #7, #8.

YES or NO **10.** occasionally on purpose field medium hit balls that are in the hole?

OR

occasionally on purpose catch fly balls that are more than 30 feet away?

BASL *For the first question, see definitions of "in the hole," "medium hit ball." For the second question, it requires at least 2.5 seconds of sprinting to reach the fly ball. The lateral range, hand/eye coordination, footwork, and judgment suggest this it is rare to see this skill performed three out of five times below the NAGAAA "C" division.*

Women's Div Never/Rarely "YES"
Sachs Almost Never "YES"
Rainbow Almost Never "YES"
Fitzpatrick Never/Rarely "YES"
Stonewall Rarely "YES"
Dima Sometimes "YES"

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Note! A "YES" to question #10 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #6, #7, #8, #9.

YES or NO **11**. consistently on purpose field medium hit balls that are in the hole?
OR
consistently on purpose catch fly balls that are more than 30 feet away?

BASL *The only difference between this question and the prior question is "occasionally" (3 out of 5) vs. "consistently" (4 out of 5). This level of skill is more common in the NAGAAA "B" division.*

Women's Div	Never/Rarely "YES"
Sachs	Almost Never "YES"
Rainbow	Almost Never "YES"
Fitzpatrick	Never/Rarely "YES"
Stonewall	Rarely "YES"
Dima	Sometimes "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #11 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #6, #7, #8, #9, #10.

YES or NO **12**. occasionally on purpose field hard hit balls that are in the hole?
OR
occasionally on purpose stop line drives in the gaps from getting by the outfielders?

BASL *See definitions of "hard hit ball", "in the hole", "line drive", "in the gap". NAGAAA defines questions 11 - 14 as a skill level belonging to an "Exceptional level of defense". This is an uncommon skill below the NAGAAA "B" or "A" divisions.*

Women's Div, Sachs, Rainbow & Fitzpatrick	Almost Never "YES"
Stonewall	Never/Rarely "YES"
Dima	Rarely "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #12 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #6, #7, #8, #9, #10, #11.

YES or NO **13**. consistently on purpose field hard hit balls that are in the hole?
OR
consistently on purpose stop line drives in the gaps from getting by the outfielders?

BASL *Only good to excellent NAGAAA "B" or "A" players can consistently (four out of five attempts) make this play.*

Women's Div, Sachs, Rainbow, Fitzpatrick & Stonewall	Almost Never "YES"
Dima	Never/Rarely "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #13 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #6, #7, #8, #9, #10, #11, #12.

YES or NO **14**. occasionally on purpose make spectacular catches?

BASL *In NAGAAA "spectacular" refers to diving catches – both infield and outfield, turning and catching high velocity balls hit well over your head in the outfield, snagging very hard hit ground balls in the infield and getting an out against an above average base runner. Generally, only the best players make these plays and they belong in the "A" division.*

ALL Divisions	Almost Never "YES"
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BASE RUNNING

DEFINITIONS FOR THROWING, FIELDING AND BASE RUNNING QUESTIONS

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CONSISTENTLY: means to be able to perform the particular skill with great regularity.
This mean the skill can be performed **4 out of 5** times.

Consider the field conditions and weather to be normal when answering these questions.

Almost all able-bodied players should be rated "YES" for questions 1, 6 and 15.

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Does the player have the ability to...

YES or NO **15**. go from base to base utilizing rudimentary knowledge of the rules?

BASL *This is a basic skill all softball players possess. Answer "yes" for all of your players, unless they are disabled.*
ALL Divisions Almost Always "YES"

YES or NO **16**. run with average speed and occasionally take extra bases on good hits or errors against a limited level of defense?

BASL *Note that the term "limited level of defense" does not imply "limited level" for your BASL division. Under NAGAAA's definitions, this refers to an average Fitzpatrick team's defense. Players who lack good base running knowledge or have below-average speed should be "No" regardless of BASL division.*

Women's Div Rarely/Sometimes "YES"
Sachs Rarely/Sometimes "YES"
Rainbow Rarely/Sometimes "YES"
Fitzpatrick Sometimes "YES"
Stonewall+ Sometimes/Usually "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #16 automatically results in a "YES" to question #15.

YES or NO **17**. run aggressively with average or better speed and take extra bases on good hits or errors against an intermediate level of defense?

BASL *There are good pure athletes in every BASL division. But recall that an intermediate level of defense could be defined as a strong Stonewall team – would your base runner stand out in that division? Only excellent NAGAAA "C" or speedy "B" and "A" players are able to routinely answer this question "yes".*

**Women's Div, Sachs, Rainbow
& Fitzpatrick** Almost Never "YES"
Stonewall Rarely "YES"
Dima Sometimes "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #17 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #15, #16.

YES or NO **18**. run very aggressively and take extra bases on good hits or errors against an exceptional level of defense?

BASL *This question typically pertains to NAGAAA "A" and very gifted "B" players only. For all other divisions, answer "no".*

**Women's Div, Sachs, Rainbow, Fitzpatrick
& Stonewall** Almost Never "YES"
Dima Rarely "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #18 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #15, #16, #17.

HITTING

DEFINITIONS FOR HITTING QUESTIONS

Note! These definitions are **DIFFERENT** from the ones used for **Throwing, Fielding and Base Running**.

OCCASIONALLY: means to be able to perform the particular skill, but without regularity.
This means the skill can be performed **2 out of 5** times.

CONSISTENTLY: means to be able to perform the particular skill with regularity or more often than not.
This mean the skill can be performed **3 out of 5** times.

Consider the field conditions, weather and pitching to be normal when answering these questions.

Almost able-bodied players should be rated "YES" for question 19.

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Questions 19-27 are intended to be answered based on the outcome – not counting walks – of each completed at bat (whether the batter reaches base or is out on the final pitch of the at bat), not based on the outcome of each swing during an at bat.

Does the player have the ability to...

YES or NO **19**. occasionally hit a fair ball?

BASL A basic skill most beginner softball players possess. Answer "yes" for your able bodied players, unless they strike out more than three out of every five at bats.
ALL Divisions Almost Always "YES"

YES or NO **20**. consistently hit a fair ball?

BASL A basic skill most softball players possess. Answer "yes" for all of your players, unless weak motor skills or limited experience prevent a player from being able to put a ball into play three out of five times.
Women's Div Usually/Always "YES"
Sachs Usually "YES"
Rainbow+ Almost Always "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #20 automatically results in a "YES" to question #19.

YES or NO **21**. occasionally hit a fair ball with at least medium velocity?

BASL See definitions: a medium velocity ball is 55-80 MPH (75-110 feet per second) or hit in flight 150 to 250 feet. Although there are some hard hitters in the NAGAAA "D" division, this skill is more common in higher divisions.
Women's Div Rarely/Sometimes "YES"
Sachs Never/Rarely "YES"
Rainbow Rarely "YES"
Fitzpatrick Sometimes "YES"
Stonewall+ Usually "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #21 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #19, #20.

YES or NO **22**. consistently hit a fair ball with at least medium velocity?

BASL Because "consistently" refers to three out of five successful attempts, NAGAAA "D" players and less athletic "C" players will likely be rated "no". High "C's", "B" and "A" players should receive a "yes" answer.
Women's Div Never/Rarely "YES"
Sachs Almost Never "YES"
Rainbow Almost Never "YES"
Fitzpatrick Never/Rarely "YES"
Stonewall Sometimes "YES"
Dima Sometimes/Usually "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #22 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #19, #20, #21.

YES or NO **23**. consistently reach base safely on a batted ball against a limited level of defense?

OR

occasionally reach base safely on a batted ball against an intermediate level of defense?

BASL This question states that the player is able to hit at least .600 against an average Fitzpatrick defense, or at least .400 against a strong Stonewall defense. This skill is rare below the NAGAAA "C" division.
Women's Div, Sachs, Rainbow & Fitzpatrick Almost Never "YES"
Stonewall Sometimes "YES"
Dima Sometimes/Usually "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #23 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #19, #20, #21, #22.

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YES or NO **24**. consistently reach base safely on a batted ball against an intermediate level of defense?
OR
occasionally reach base safely on a batted ball against an exceptional level of defense?

BASL Only your stronger NAGAAA "C" and some "B" players are able to bat .600 against an intermediate defense or .400 against an exceptional defense.

Women's Div, Sachs, Rainbow & Fitzpatrick Almost Never "YES"
Stonewall Rarely/Sometimes "YES"
Dima Sometimes "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #24 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #19, #20, #21, #22, #23.

YES or NO **25**. consistently reach base safely on a batted ball with high velocity against an intermediate level of defense?
OR
consistently reach base safely on a batted ball against an exceptional level of defense?

BASL Questions 25 to 27 belong to excellent "B" and some "A" players due to the exceptional skills required to successfully execute this type of hitting.

Women's Div, Sachs, Rainbow & Fitzpatrick Almost Never "YES"
Stonewall Rarely "YES"
Dima Rarely "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #25 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #19, #20, #21, #22, #23, #24.

YES or NO **26**. consistently reach base safely on a batted ball with high velocity against an exceptional level of defense?

BASL See notes on prior question.
ALL Divisions Almost Never "YES"

Note! A "YES" to question #26 automatically results in a "YES" to questions #19, #20, #21, #22, #23, #24, #25.

YES or NO **27**. consistently reach base on an intentional hit, with the ability to use all fields against an intermediate level of defense?
OR
occasionally hit a ball over a 300' fence?

BASL See notes on prior question.
ALL Divisions Almost Never "YES"

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APPENDIX A

Case Studies

Player 1 (new player, weak fielder, weak hitter, average runner, "social" player)

Field + Throw					-----Field and/or Catch-----										--Base Running--				-----Hitting-----							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

Player 1 scores 7 and is rated a low "D" player. In very broad terms this player is out to have fun, meet new friends, is not athletically inclined, and in many cases, has priorities other than excelling at softball.

Player 2 (strong hitter, weak fielder, slow runner)

Field + Throw					-----Field and/or Catch-----										--Base Running--				-----Hitting-----							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N

Player 2 scores 12 and is rated a low "C" player. Though s/he is not very good at catching balls hit or thrown, and may be a weaker than average thrower, s/he is a very good hitter. Notice the six "yes" answers in the hitting category and how this makes him/her – overall – a "C" player.

Player 3 (average hitter, average fielder, average runner)

Field + Throw					-----Field and/or Catch-----										--Base Running--				-----Hitting-----							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N

Player 3 scores 14 and is rated a high "C" player. S/he is consistent at all skills (fielding, running, hitting) but not spectacular. Notice that s/he is on the cusp of becoming a low "B" player, and that s/he is the type of player who should be carefully rated each season to ensure s/he is playing in the division most closely associated with his/her skill set.

Player 4 (weak hitter, good fielder, fast runner)

Field + Throw					-----Field and/or Catch-----										--Base Running--				-----Hitting-----							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

Player 4 scores 16 and is rated a low "B" player. S/he is a very weak hitter, but because s/he scored very well on fielding, catching, throwing and base running questions, his/her overall rating moves him/her into the "B" division.

Player 5 (good hitter, good fielder, average runner)

Field + Throw					-----Field and/or Catch-----										--Base Running--				-----Hitting-----							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N

Player 5 scores 20 and is rated a high "B" player. S/he consistently hits well against a good defense and is a good fielder. His/her only weakness is that s/he does not have great foot speed which prevents him/her from standing out on the base paths. Overall, s/he is a very good B player.

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APPENDIX B

Typical* NAGAAA Ratings per BASL Division

* These charts are just intended to explain typical ranges of ratings. You are NOT required to make your team ratings match these charts, but you may find these ranges useful. Each player must be rated individually. We do NOT use NAGAAA ratings to determine a player or team's BASL division.

