



MIAA Tournament DH/ Re- Entry Rule Guidelines

CASES and EXAMPLES

1. A pinch hitter bats for the DH. This means the pinch hitter becomes the new DH. Can the original DH re-enter by pinch running or pinch hitting during the game? Answer-Yes, the DH is treated like any other player with the re-entry rule and must re-enter in the same spot in the order as long as the DH hasn't been terminated.
2. Jones is the DH and batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for Ryan the CF. The coach wants to terminate the DH by putting Jones into the game at 3B. Remove the 3B from the game and bat Ryan the CF. Can he do this? Answer-No, the DH and the person he is batting for are locked into the #2 spot in the order. There are no multiple switches that will change the batting order. Jones entering the game terminates the DH, therefore Ryan must be removed from the game.
3. Jones is the DH batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for Ryan the CF. The coach puts Varley from the bench into CF and removes Ryan from the game. Can Ryan re-enter? Answer-No, with the DH role not terminated Ryan can't re-enter, Jones is the player that can re-enter.
4. Jones is the DH batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for Ryan the CF. The coach wants to pinch hit Ryan for the Jones. Can he do this? Answer-Yes, but the role of DH is terminated for the rest of the game. Ryan must bat in the #2 spot. This means Jones can't re-enter but if Ryan is replaced he can re-enter because the DH was terminated.
5. Jones is the DH batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for the Ryan the CF. The coach pinch hit Jeter for Jones and puts Varley from the bench into CF for Ryan. Can the starting DH re-enter? Answer-Yes, because the role of DH hasn't been terminated. Can the starting CF re-enter to play the field? Answer-No, because the role of DH hasn't been terminated so Jones can re-enter.
6. Jones is the DH batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for Ryan the CF. The coach wants to put Jones into the field can he do this? Answer-Yes, but Ryan must be removed from the game. See example #7.
7. Jones is the DH batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for Ryan the CF. The coach puts Jones into CF terminating the DH which puts Ryan out of the game. Later in the game can the coach re-enter Ryan? Answer-Yes. By terminating the DH position you can only re-enter Ryan not Jones and he must bat in the #2 spot in the lineup.
8. Jones is the DH batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for Ryan the CF. The coach pinch hits Reidy for Jones making him the new DH. You can re-enter Jones if you want at any time as long as the DH isn't terminated. The coach then puts Reidy into the field removing Ryan the CF from the game. This terminates the DH which means Jones can't re-enter anymore. Ryan is the only player that can re-enter and in the #2 spot in the lineup.

9. Jones is the DH batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for Ryan the CF. The coach pinch hits Reidy for Jones making him the new DH. Then the coach pinch runs Jones for Reidy re-entering him as the DH. The coach then terminates the DH by putting Jones into CF, which puts Ryan on the bench. Can the coach re-enter Ryan in the game? Answer-yes, the DH has been terminated which means Ryan can re-enter but Jones is done for the day and Ryan must bat in the #2 spot in the lineup.

10. Jones is the DH batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for Jennett the P. The coach removes Jennett from the mound and brings in Jones to pitch. This terminates the DH. Can the coach bring Jennett back into pitch? Answer-Once Jones throws a pitch, Jennett cannot return as a pitcher but can return as another player. Because the DH was terminated Jennett can re-enter which would remove Jones from the game and bat in the #2 spot in the lineup. *This is an example of the exception we are playing with from the NFHS re-entry rule

11. Jones is the DH batting in the #2 spot in the lineup and is hitting for Ryan the CF. Jennett is the pitcher batting in the #7 spot. If the coach pinch-hits for Jennett can Jennett re-enter and pitch? Answer-Yes, you can pinch hit or pinch run for the pitcher on offense. When the pitcher's team goes back on defense you can re-enter the pitcher to pitch. But this must be done immediately before another pitcher throws a pitch."

