

NFHS Illegal Player Penalty Chart

	Discovered	Penalty (Rule 3-4)	
	In the batter's box and/or before the batter-runner reaches first base or is put out and before a pitch to the next batter.	 Illegal Substitute is restricted to bench/dugout for remainder of the game. The player is called out(unless already out). The proper batter is considered to have lost their turn at bat. The next proper batter shall bat. 	
Offensive Player	When the illegal player advances or causes a play allowing another runner to advance and the infraction is detected before the next pitch.	 Illegal Substitute is restricted to bench/dugout for remainder of the game. The player is called out (unless already out). Play is nullified, outs made stand, runners not put out return to base(s) occupied at the time of the pitch. 	
	When the illegal player advances or causes a play allowing another runner to advance and the infraction is detected after the next pitch.	 Illegal Substitute is restricted to bench/dugout for remainder of the game. If still on base the player is called out. Play stands. 	
	In a game-ending play it is detected prior to all infielders and/or umpires leaving the diamond.	 Illegal Substitute is restricted to bench/dugout for remainder of the game. If still on base the player is called out. Play is nullified, outs made stand, runners not put out return to base(s) occupied at the time of the pitch. 	
Defensive Player Before Next Pitch	Illegal player was involved in a play with a batted ball.	 Illegal Player/Substitute is restricted to dugout/bench for remainder of the game. Offensive team has the option of taking the play, or the out is nullified, runners return to base occupied at time of pitch and the batter is allowed to bat again with the same count. 	
	Illegal player handled or touched a non-batted ball that leads to a runner being put out.	 Illegal Player/Substitute is restricted to dugout/bench for remainder of the game. Offensive team has the option of taking the play, or the out is nullified, runners return to base occupied at time of pitch and the pitch is canceled if it is a strike or stands if it is a ball. 	
	Illegal player handled or touched a non-batted ball that alters the play, but no runner is put out.	 Illegal Player/Substitute is restricted to dugout/bench for remainder of the game. Umpires may award bases based on judgement and the circumstances concerning the play and the pitch is canceled if it is a strike or stands if it is a ball. 	
Defensive player is discovered after another pitch or any time an illegal player/substitute handles a non-batted ball that does not lead to a runner being put out or alter the play.		 Illegal player/substitute is restricted to the dugout/bench area for the remainder of the game. All Play Stands 	

NFHS Batting Out Of Order/Inaccurate Lineup/Unreported Substitute

Penalty Chart

	Batting Out of Order	Inaccurate Lineup	Unreported Sub/Courtesy Runner
Issue	Rule 7-1-2	Rule 3-1-3	Rule 3-3-4, 3-6-7, 8-9-7
A Player Has Entered The Game And The Plate Umpire Declares The Ball Live.	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable.	1 All Dlay Stands
Offensive Team Corrects Own Mistake (Offense or Defense)	During the at bat, the offense may correct the issue with no penalty. Only the defensive team may appeal batting out of order after the batter has completed their time at bat.	All Play Stands	 All Play Stands. The Unreported Substitute Is Now Officially In The Game. First offense is a
Defensive Team Alerts Umpire While Offender Is At Bat	The improper batter is replaced with the proper batter and assumes the ball and strike count. No further penalty.		
Defensive Team Alerts Umpire Immediately After A Completed Turn At Bat, Before The Next Pitch Or Before Players Vacate Their Positions At The End Of An Inning.	 The batter who should have batted is declared out. The improper batter's time at bat is negated and the batter is returned to the dugout/bench area. All runners called out on the play remain out; all other runners are returned to the base occupied at the time of the pitch. The next proper batter shall be the batter that follows that of the proper batter who was called out Any advancement of a runner while the improper batter is at bat is legal. 	 2. First offense is a team warning to head coach. 3. Second violation, head coach is restricted to dugout/bench 	team warning to head coach. 4. Next offender on that team and head coach are restricted to dugout/bench for the remainder of the game for a
Defensive Team Alerts Umpire After A Completed Turn At Bat, But After The Next Pitch Or After Players Vacate Their Positions At The End Of An Inning.	 The improper batter becomes the proper batter and the results of the batter's time at bat becomes legal. The next proper batter shall be the batter whose name follows the legalized improper batter. 	area for the remainder of the game.	second violation.
A Lineup Issue Is Noted When A Substitution Is Made.	Not Applicable.		Not Applicable.