

Summary of DP/FLEX

If you think of the DP/FLEX players as twins, as recommended in the college level officials manual, this may help you understand the rule better!

- You can't have one without the other. If you have a DP, you must have a FLEX.
- They are like Twins and have very special privileges but not without restrictions.
- For the DP/FLEX to be in the game, they must be in the starting line-up.
- If the DP/FLEX are not in the starting line-up, they can NEVER be in the game.
- The DP can be anywhere in the line-up. The FLEX is always 10th.
- The DP is the offensive player. The DP has not left the game unless she leaves her offensive position.
- The DP can NEVER just play defense.
- The FLEX is the defensive player. The FLEX has not left the game unless she leaves her defensive position.
- The FLEX can never play just offense.
- Both the DP and FLEX can leave her position in the line-up and RE-ENTER one time.
- Each twin may take the other twin's spot but not at the same time.
- Both the DP and FLEX may play both offense and defense, but they cannot play both at the same time.
- The DP is the dominant twin and has more privileges than the FLEX
- The DP can NEVER be on Defense ONLY.
- The FLEX can NEVER be on Offense Only.
- The DP can play defense for any of the other 9 players in the line-up. So both the DP and the FLEX can be on Defense at the same time.
- The FLEX can play offense for ONLY the DP, Therefore, both the DP and FLEX cannot be on Offense at the same time.
- The batting order cannot be changed. The DP is always in the position established at the start and the FLEX is always in the 10th spot in the line-up.
- The role of the DP/FLEX is never terminated.
- A team will start with 10 and can go from 10 to 9 to 10 to 9, etc.
- The game may end with 10 or 9 players.