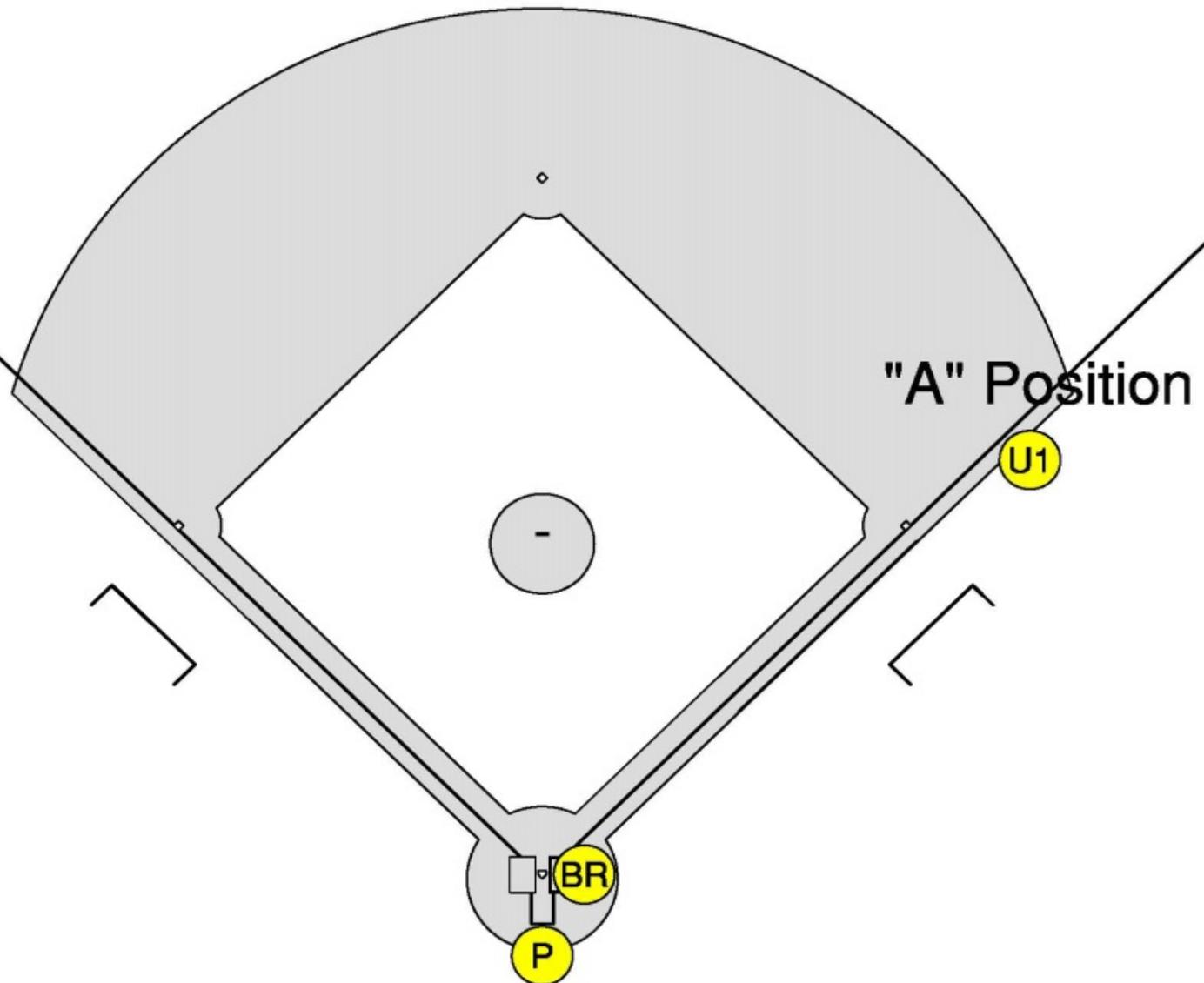




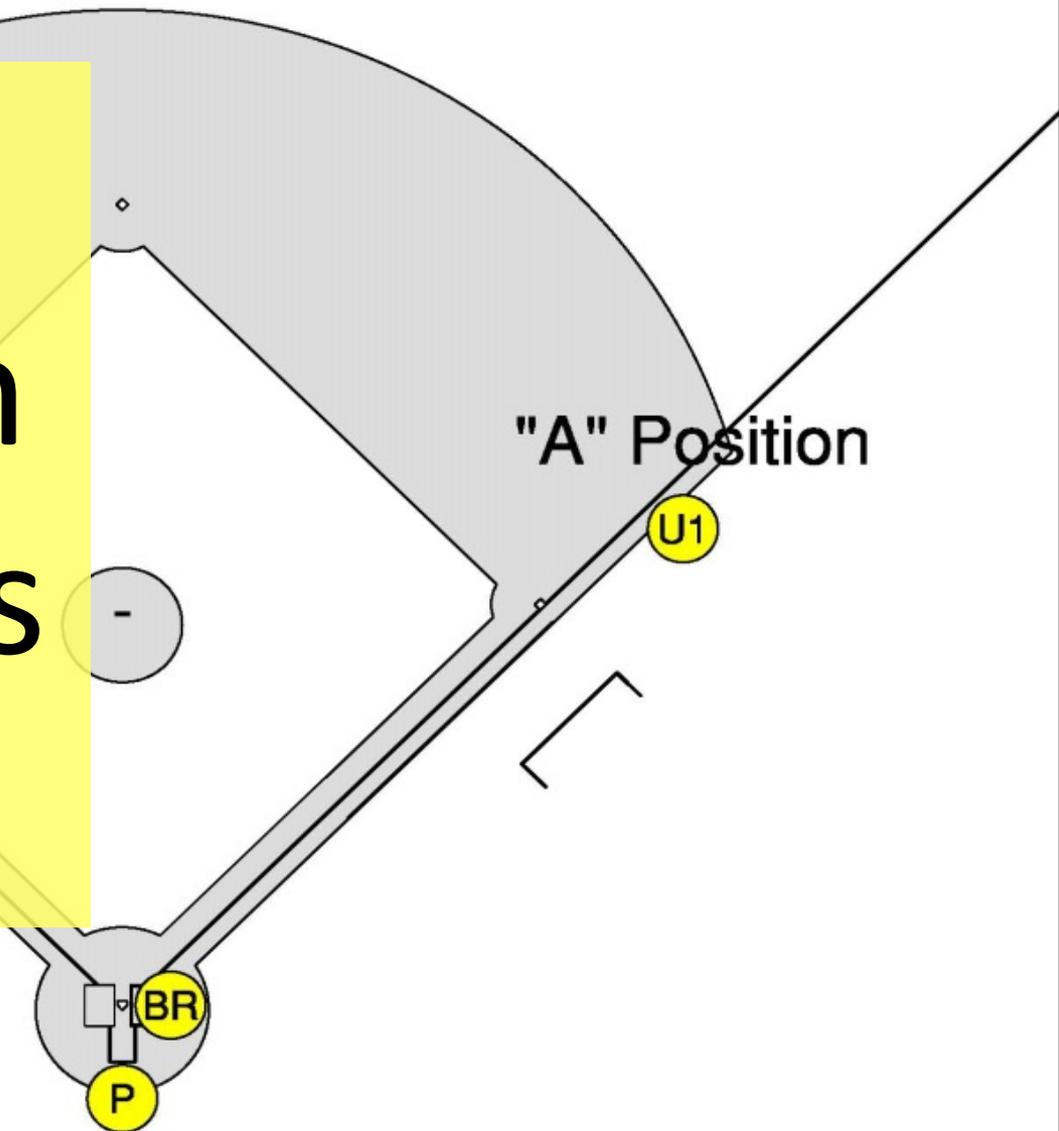
Two-Umpire Mechanics
Starting Positioning
90-foot Diamond

"A" Position

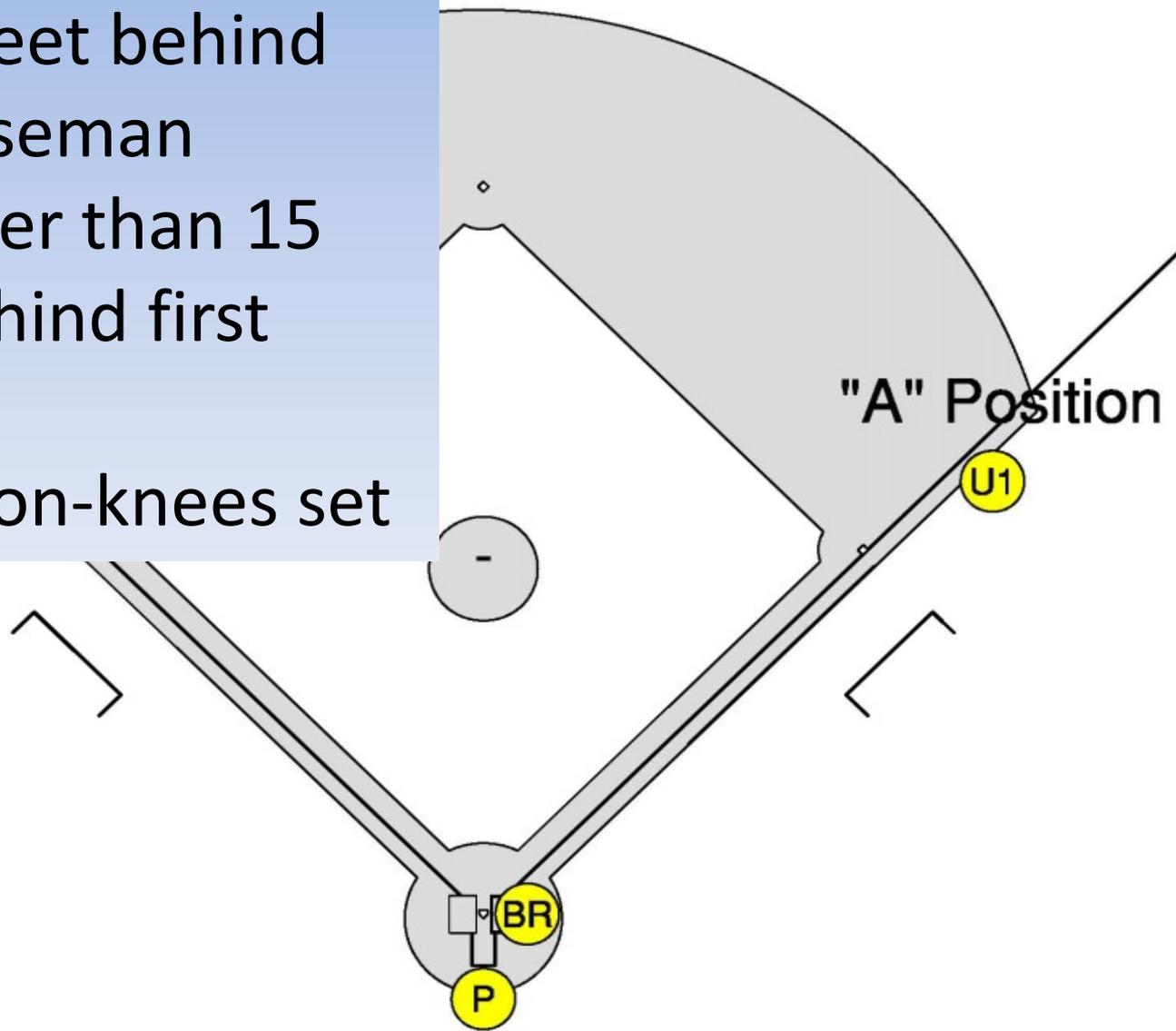


"A" Position

Assumed
only when
no runners
on base



- Start in foul territory
- 10-12 feet behind first baseman
- No closer than 15 feet behind first base
- Hands-on-knees set



“A” Position



“Set” Position

“A” Position



“Walking the Line”

“A” Position

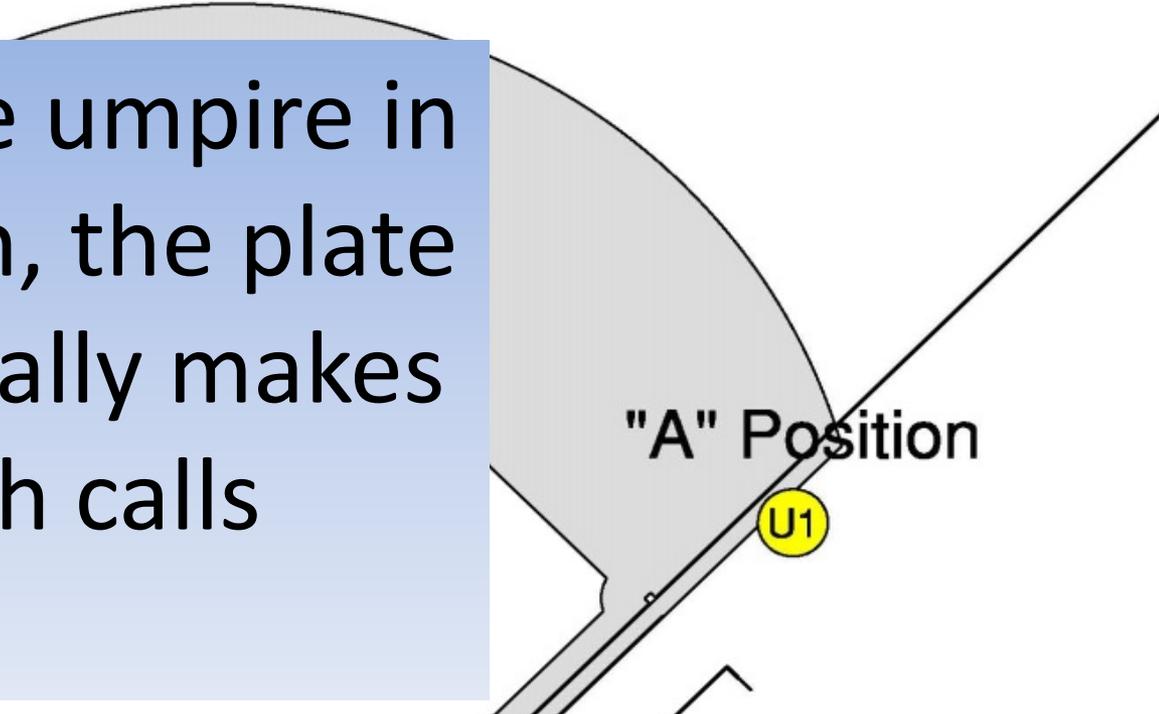


“Walking the Line”

"A" Position

- With the base umpire in the A position, the plate umpire generally makes catch/no catch calls except....

...when the base umpire goes out on a trouble ball. (*This is only done in A position.*)



The diagram shows a baseball field with a shaded area representing the 'A' position for a base umpire. A yellow circle labeled 'U1' is positioned on the baseline between first and second base. A line points from the text 'A' Position to this circle. In the background, other umpire positions are indicated with circles labeled 'BR' (base runner) and 'P' (pitcher).

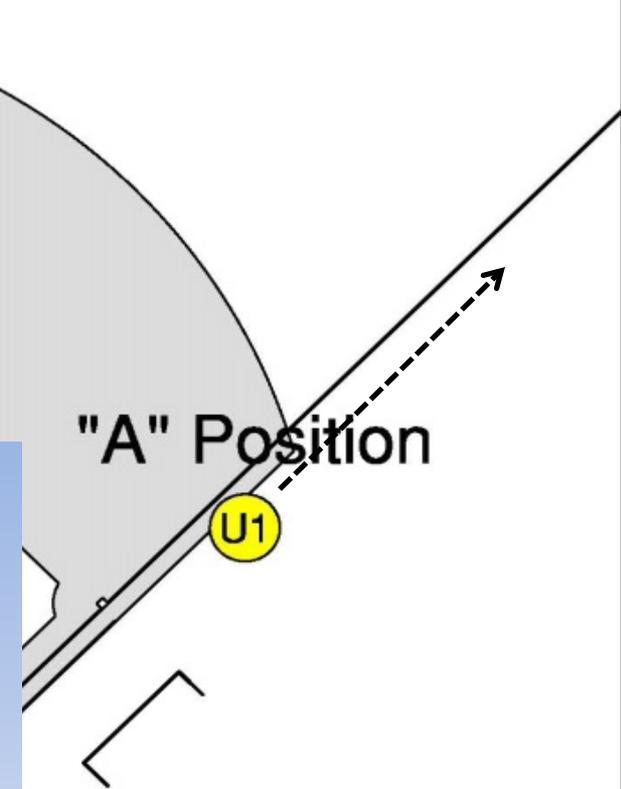
"A" Position

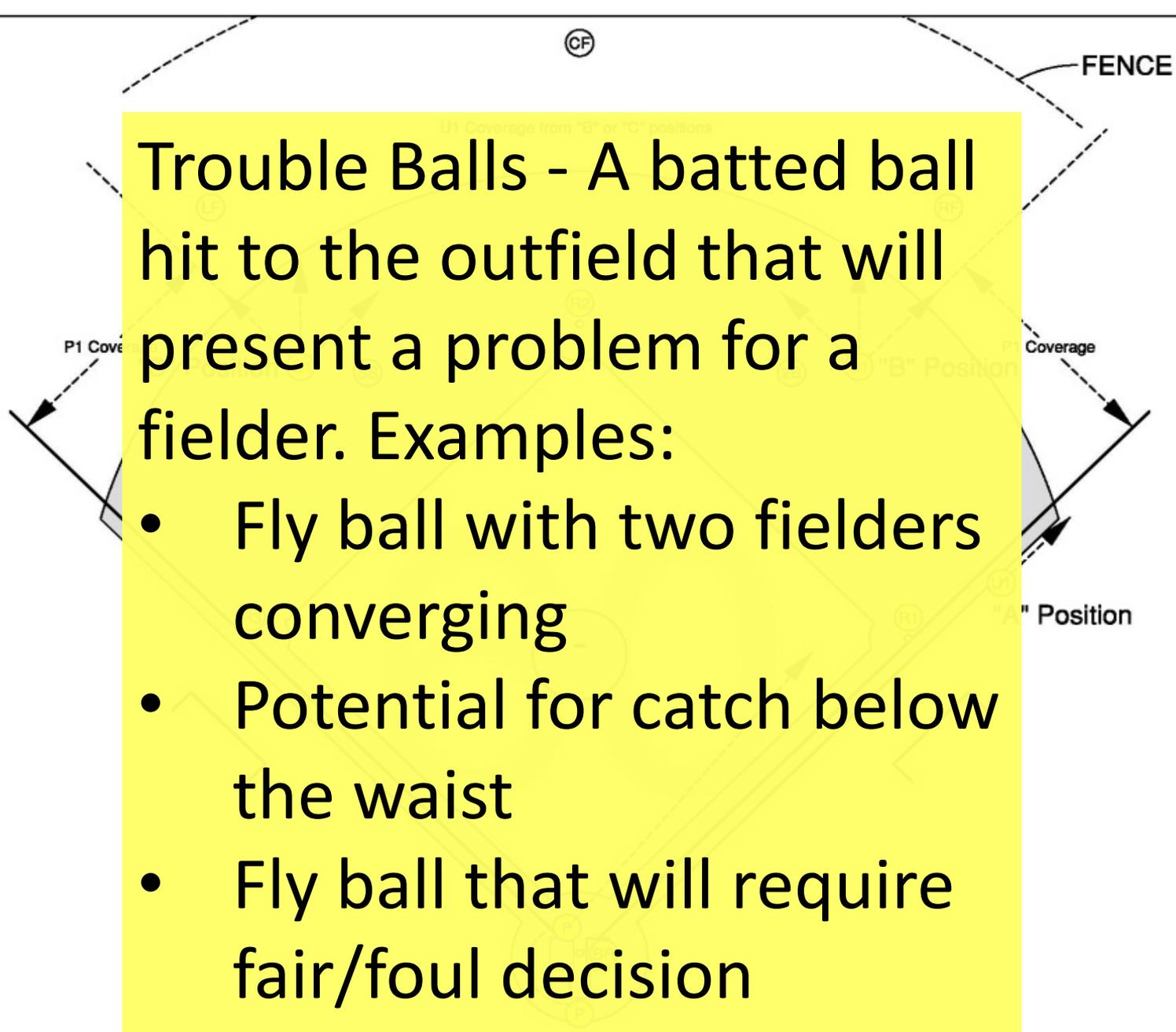
U1

Trouble Ball - "A" Position

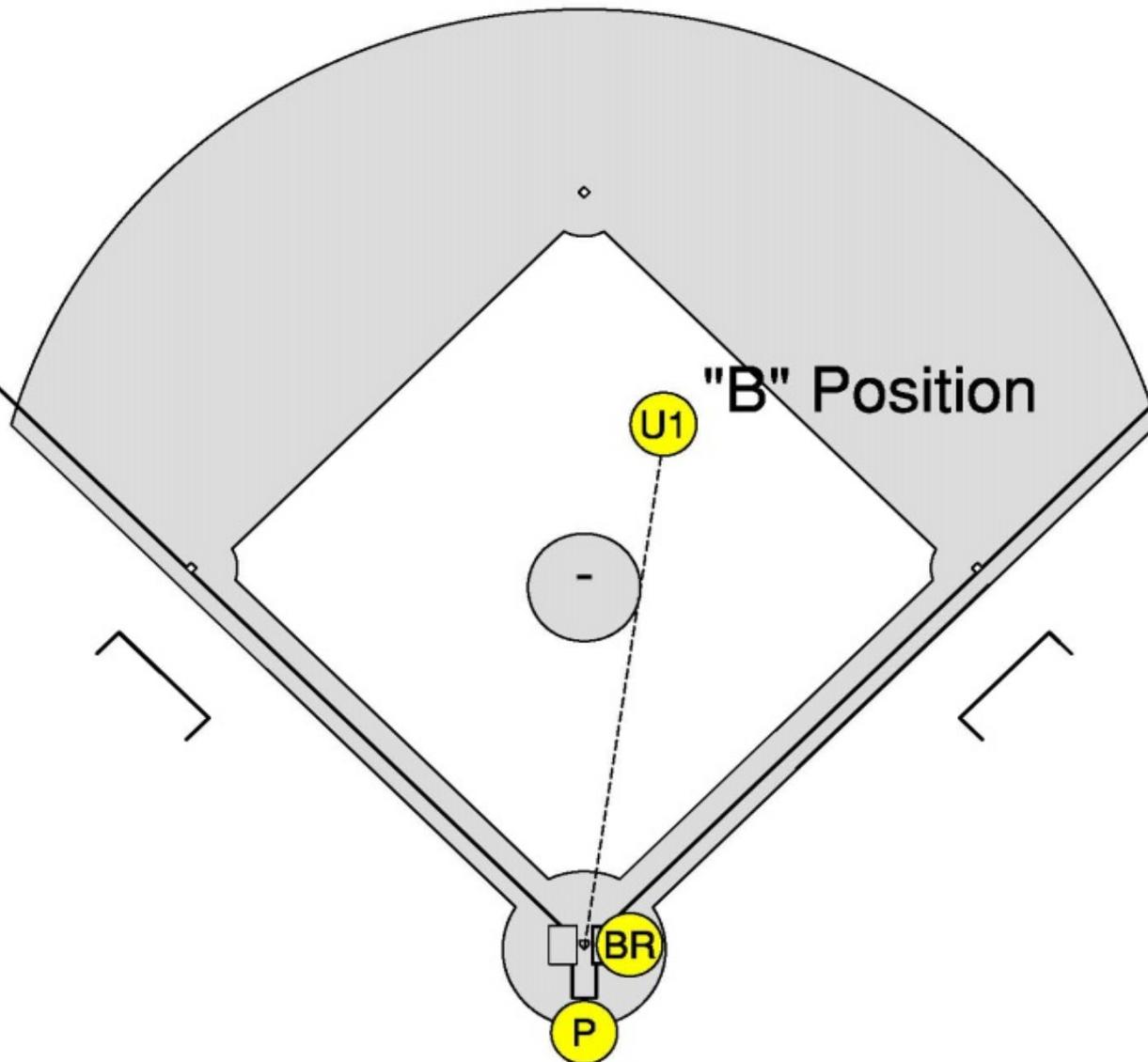
Trouble Balls – A Position

- Right fielder toward foul line
- Communicate with your partner
- Don't run directly at the fielder – get a good angle
- Be ready to return to take the play at the plate





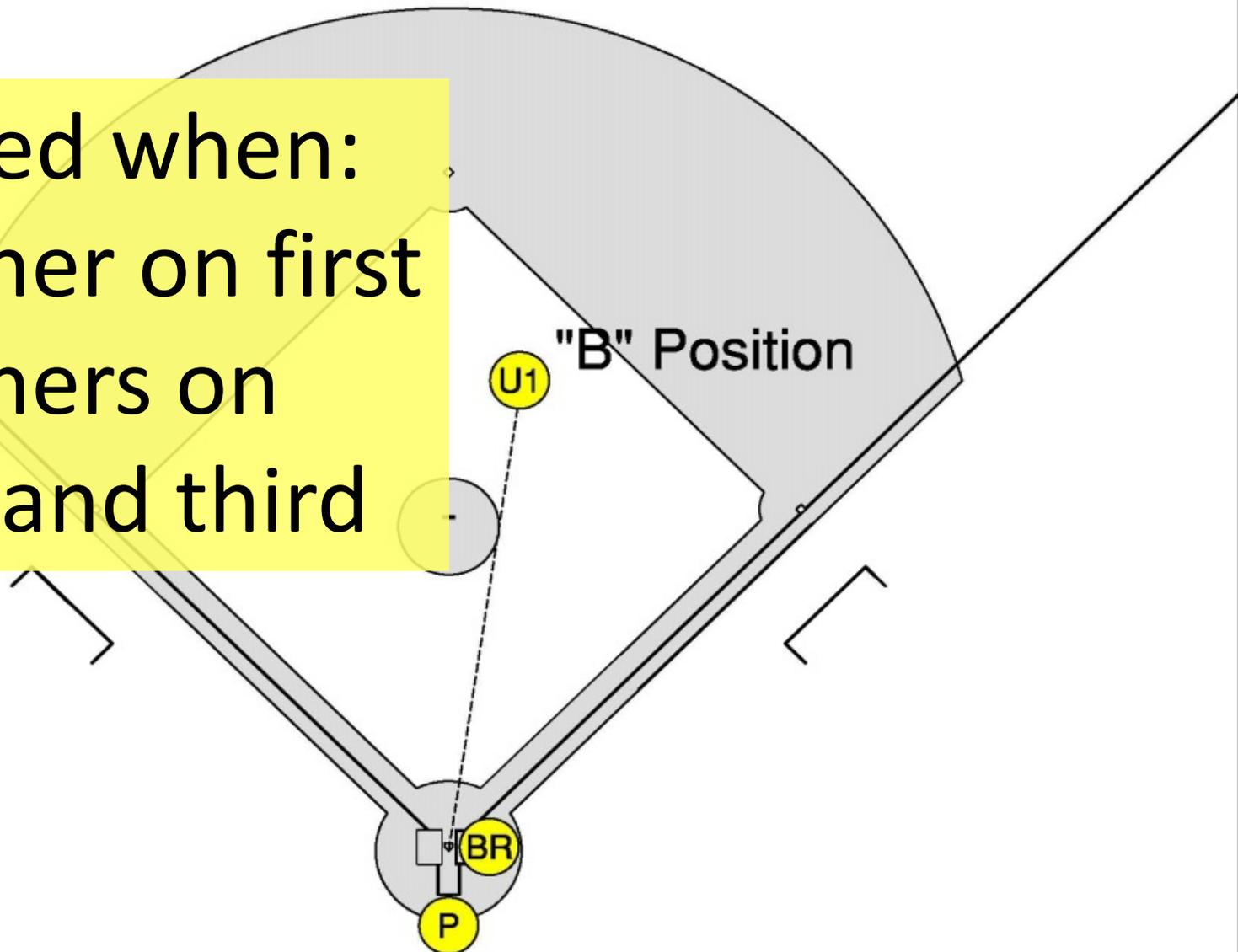
"B" Position



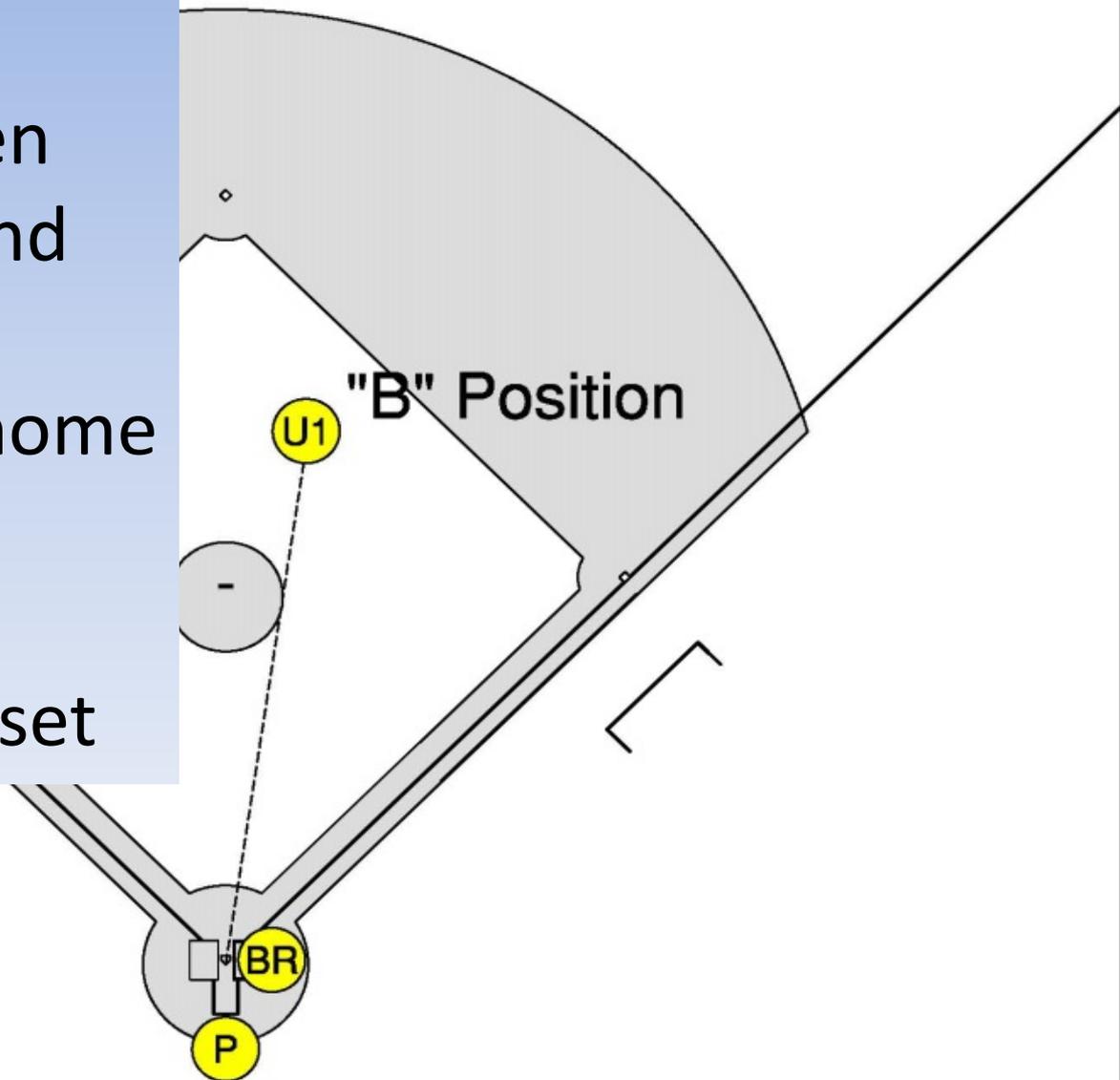
"B" Position

Assumed when:

- Runner on first
- Runners on first and third



- First base side of the infield
- Halfway between pitching plate and second base
- On a line from home plate to edge of mound
- Hand-on-knees set



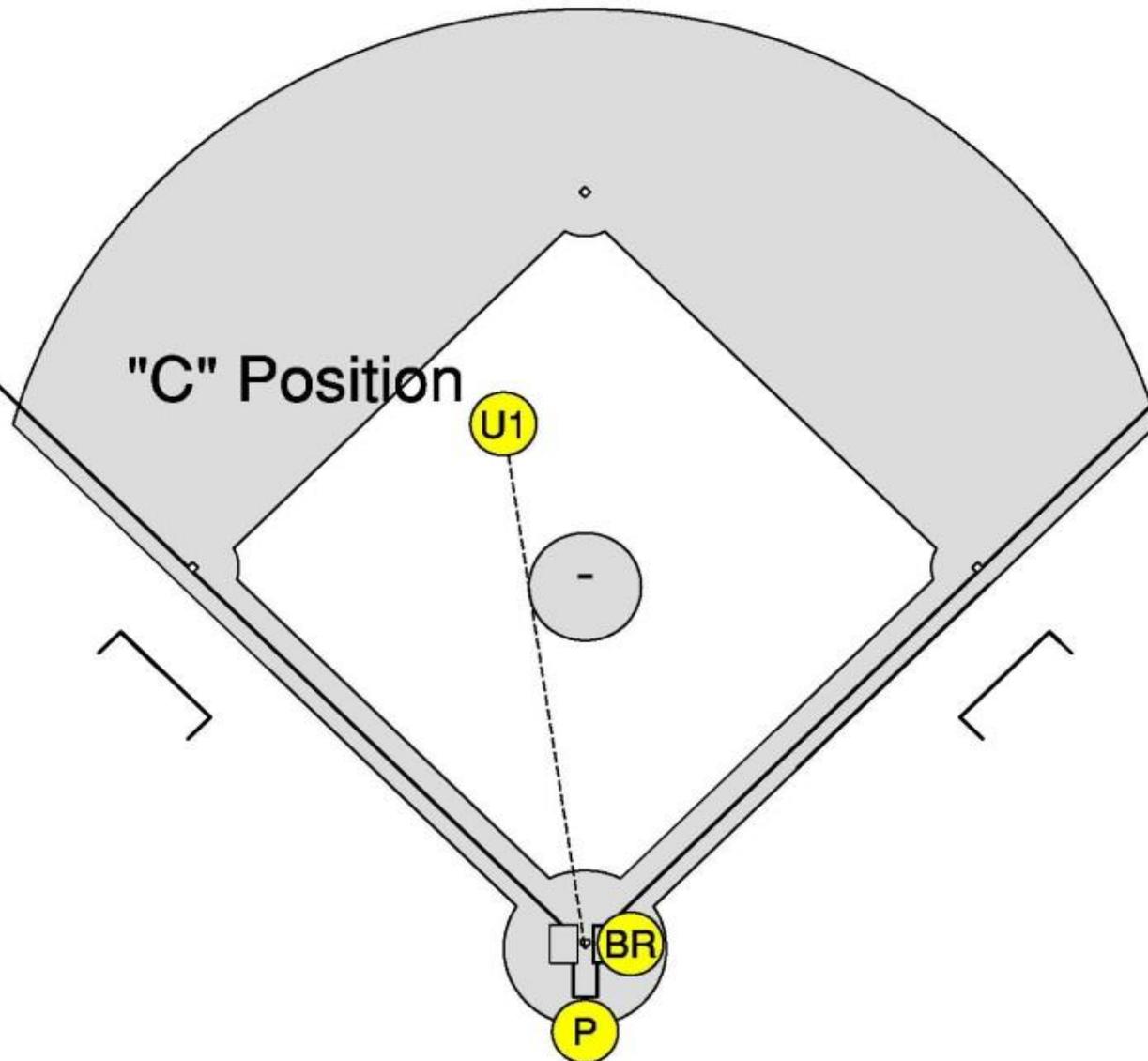
“B” Position



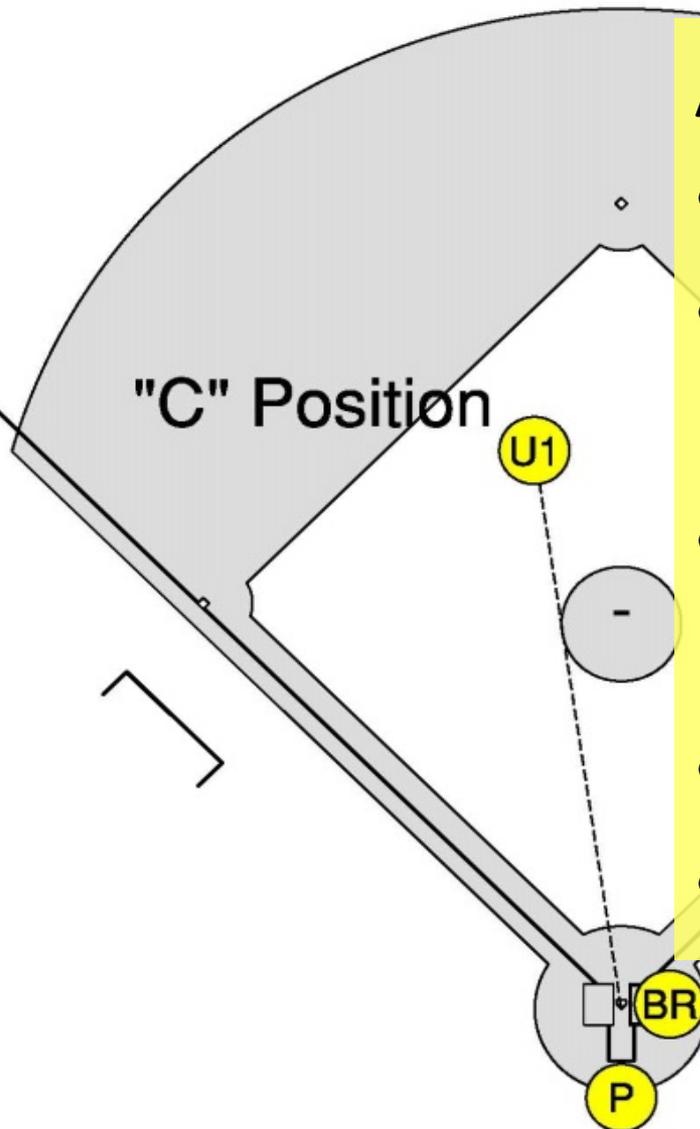
“B” Position



"C" Position

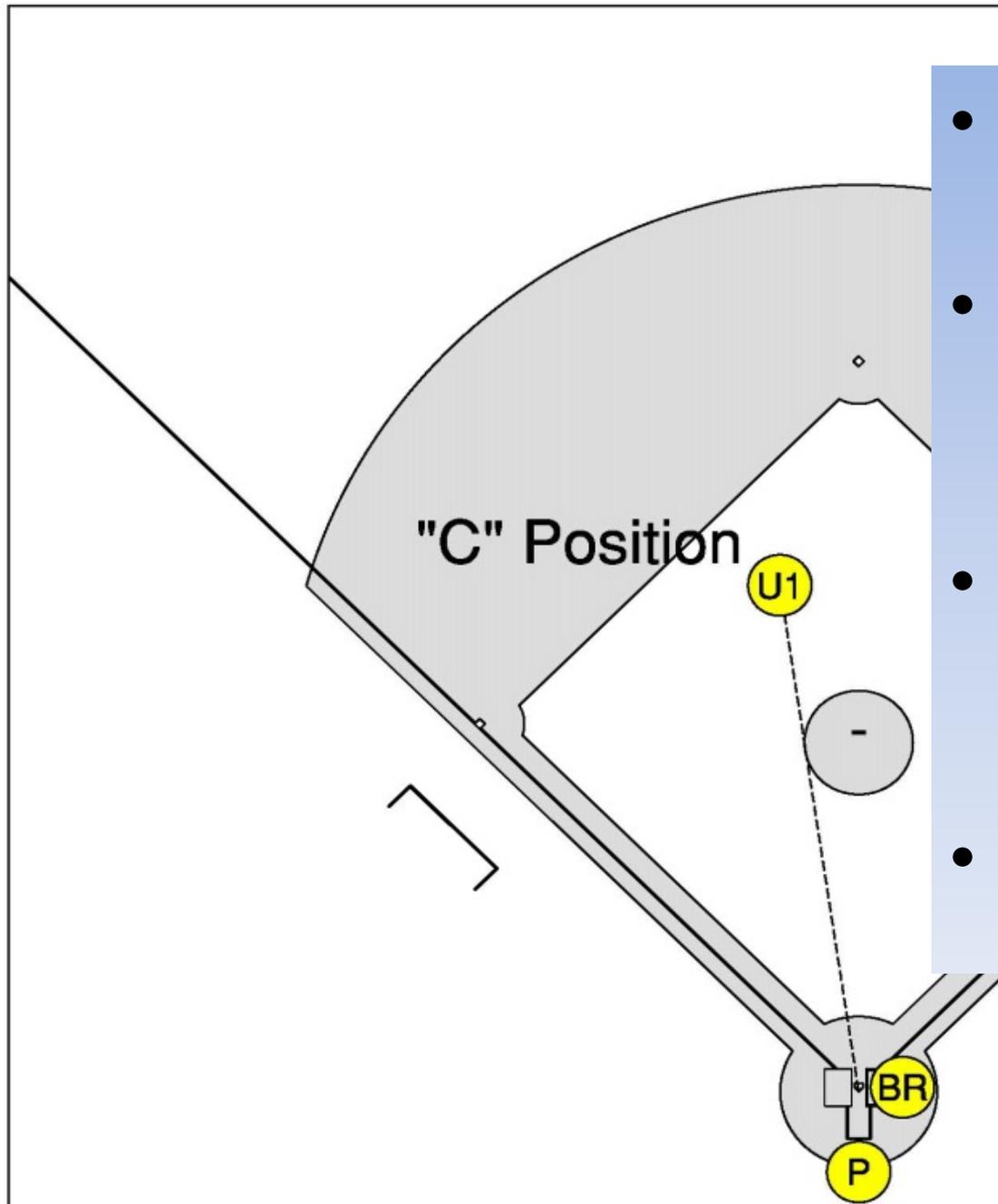


"C" Position



Assumed when:

- Runner on second
- Runner on first and second
- Runner on second and third
- Bases loaded
- Third base only



- Third base side of the infield
- Halfway between pitching plate and second base
- On a line from home plate to edge of mound
- Hands-on-knee set

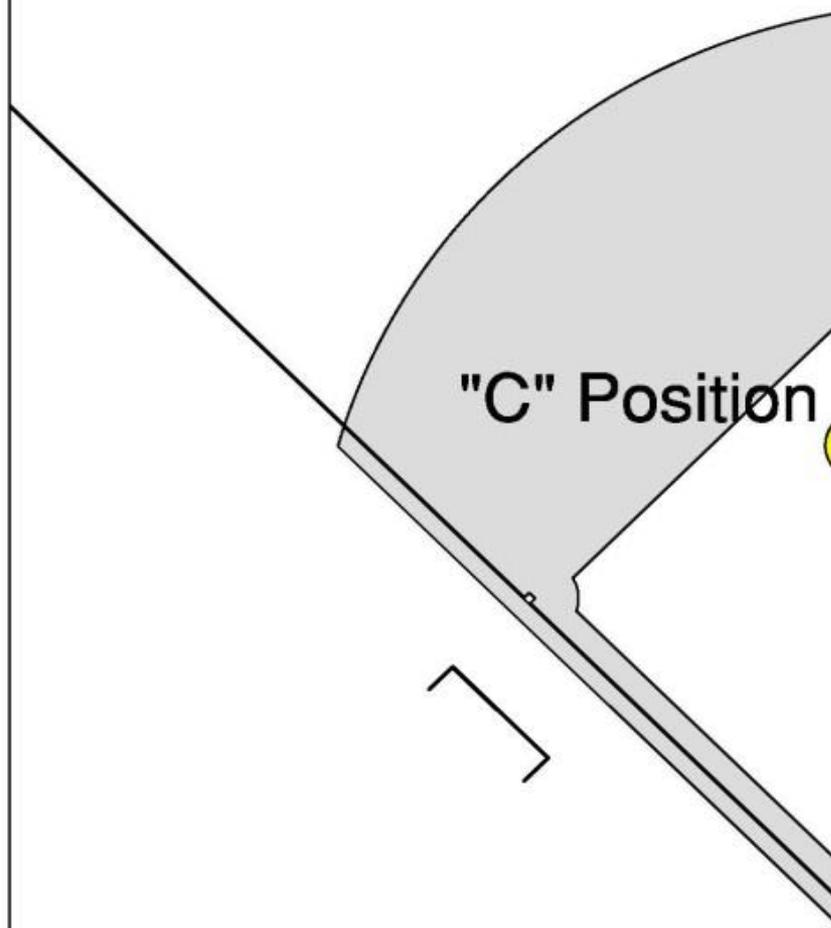
“C” Position



“C” Position



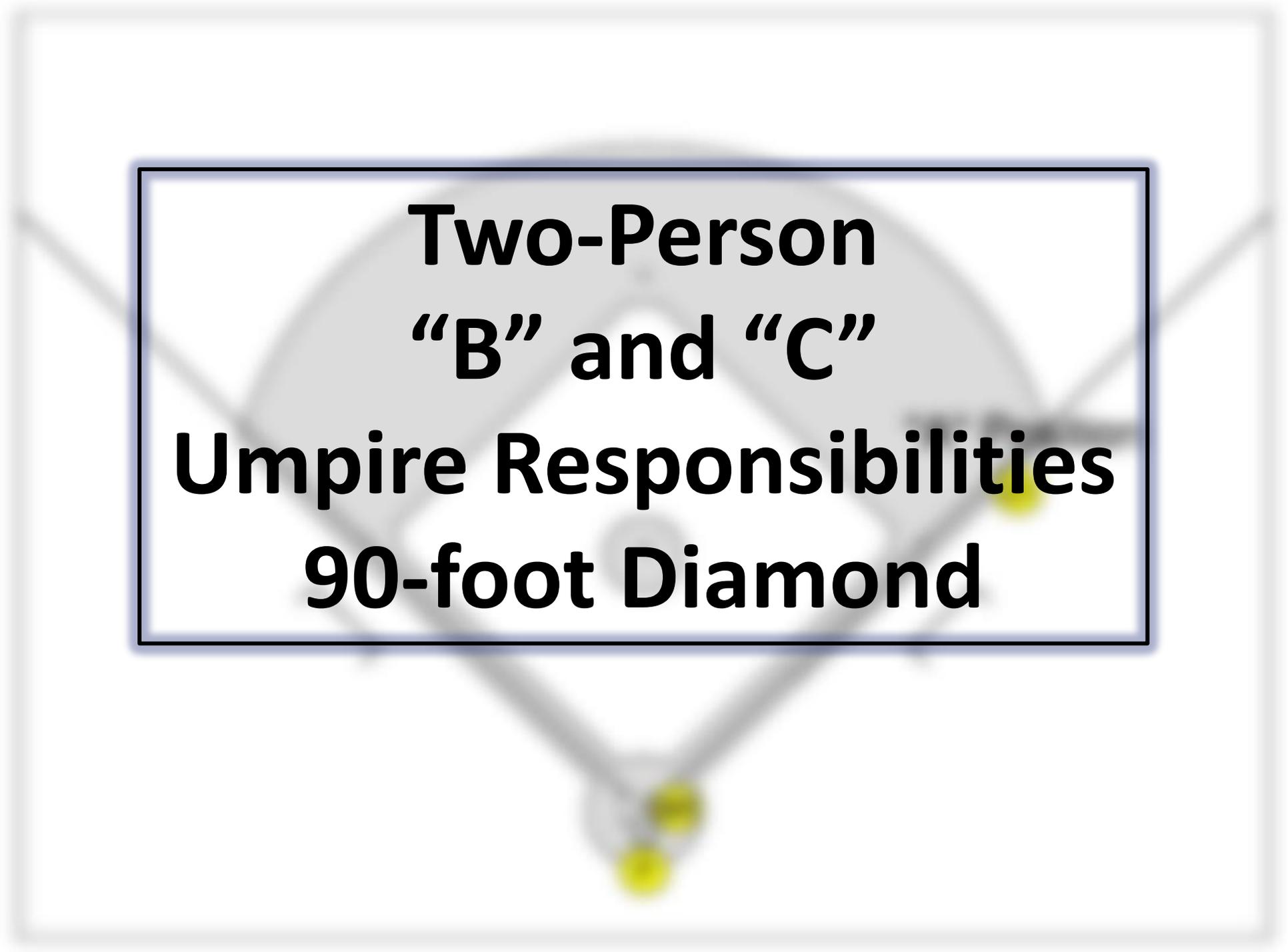
Blue, can you give me a step?



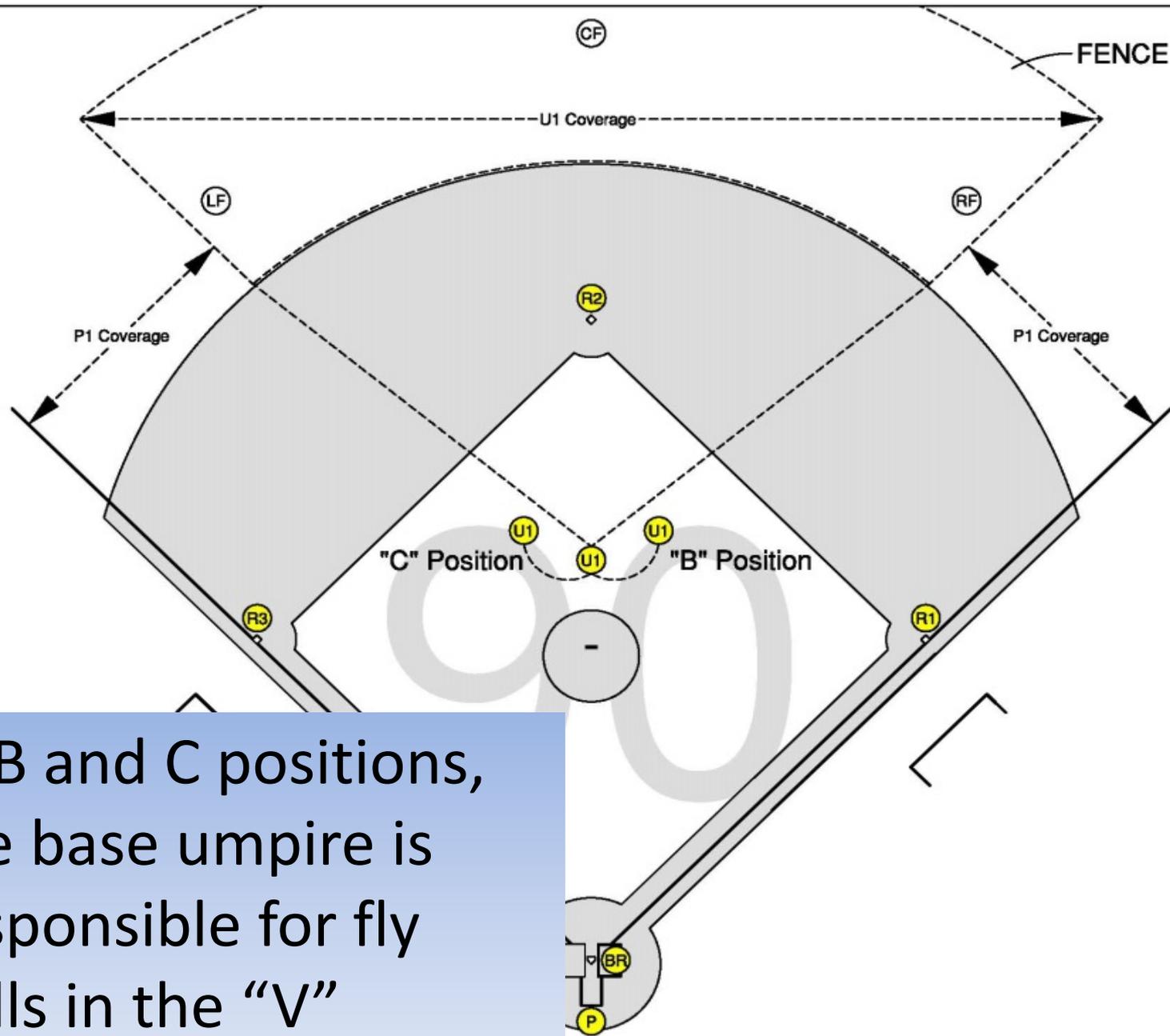
"C" Position

The diagram shows a portion of a baseball field, including the pitcher's mound and the bases. A shaded area is labeled "C" Position, indicating the area around the pitcher's mound. A yellow circle is visible on the right side of the diagram, likely representing the pitcher's mound. A bracket is shown below the diagram, indicating a specific area or distance.

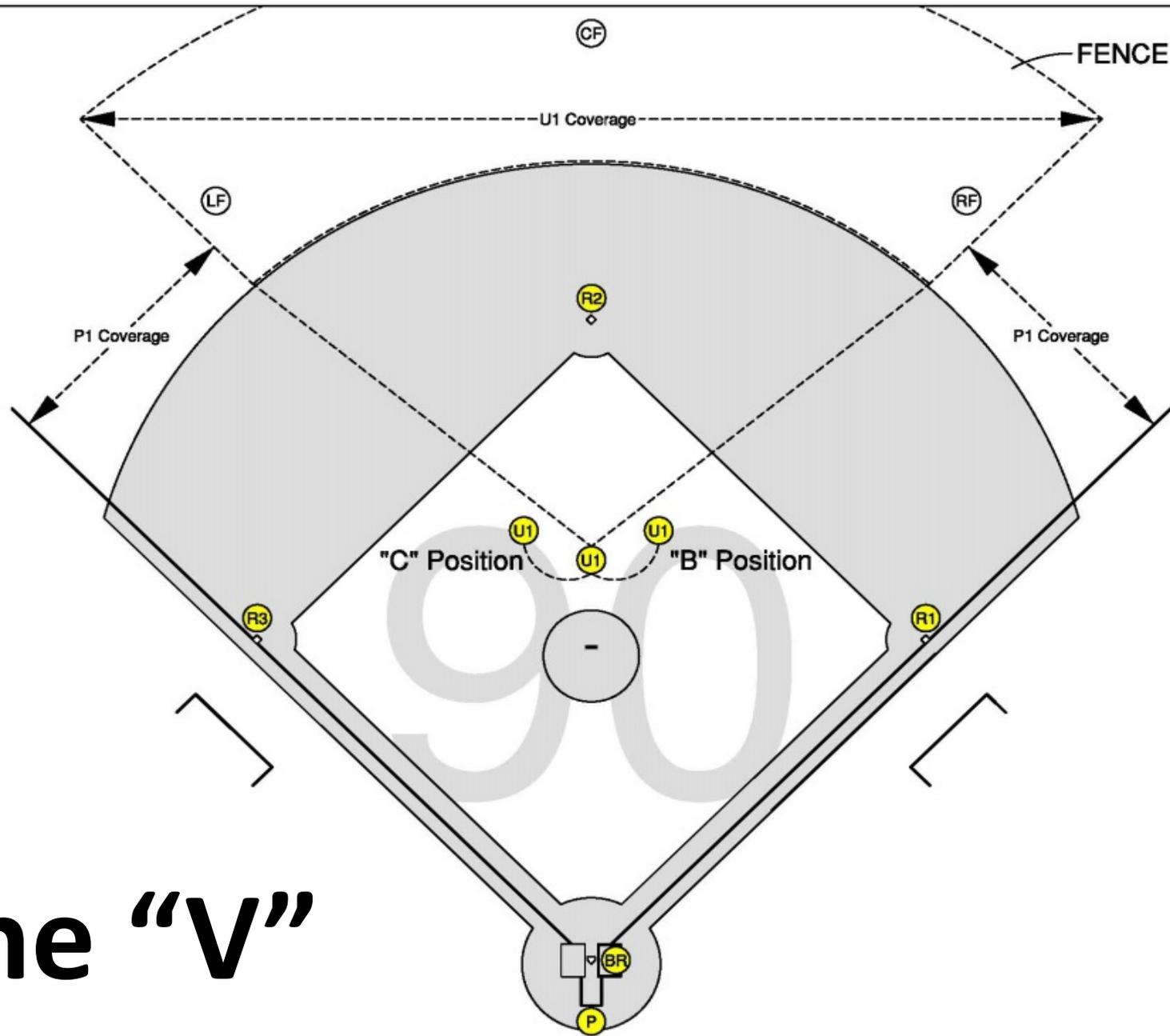
While you're in B or C positions, some second basemen, shortstops and runners may ask you if you can move a step over. Always do so, one step isn't going to impact you.



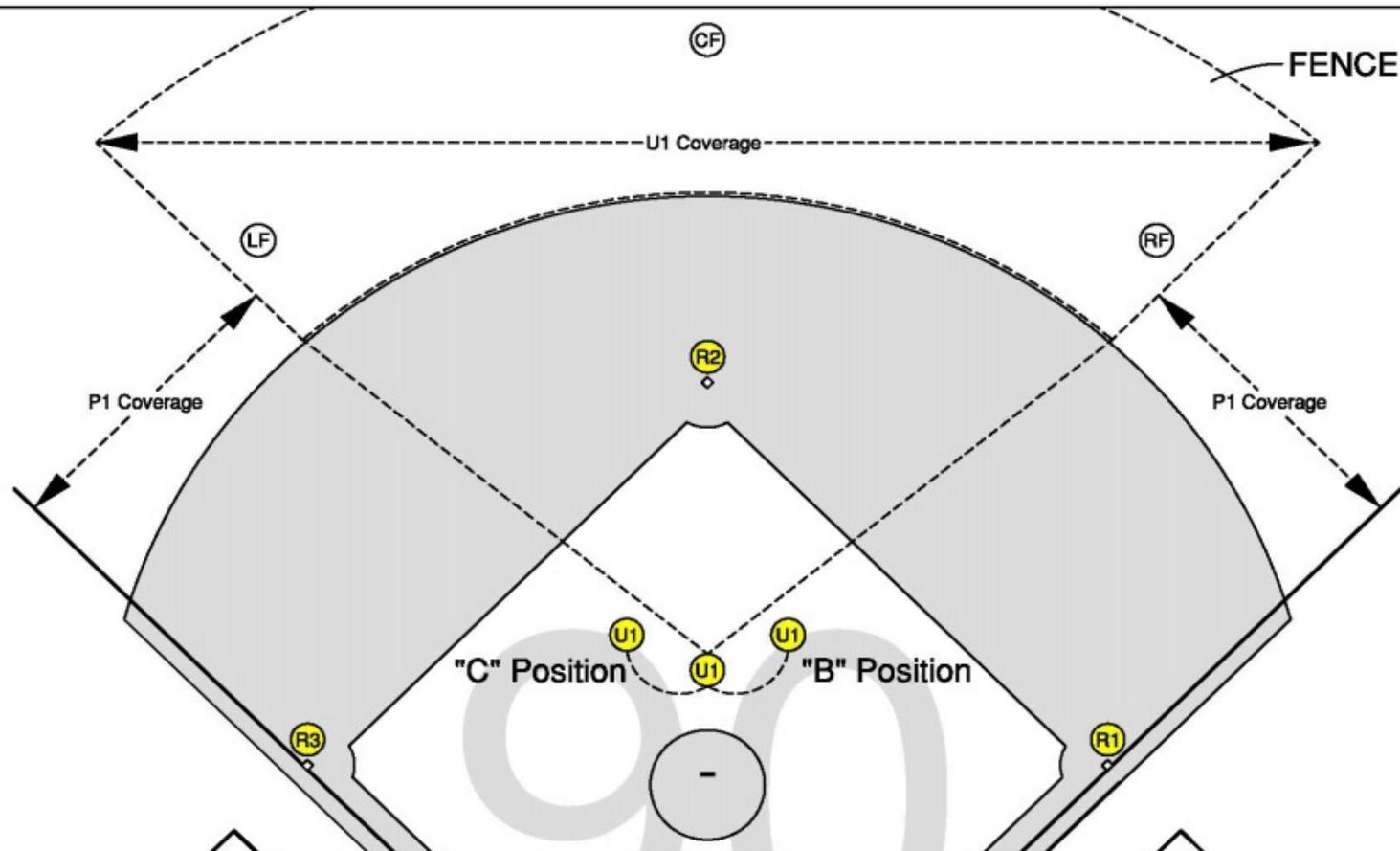
**Two-Person
“B” and “C”
Umpire Responsibilities
90-foot Diamond**



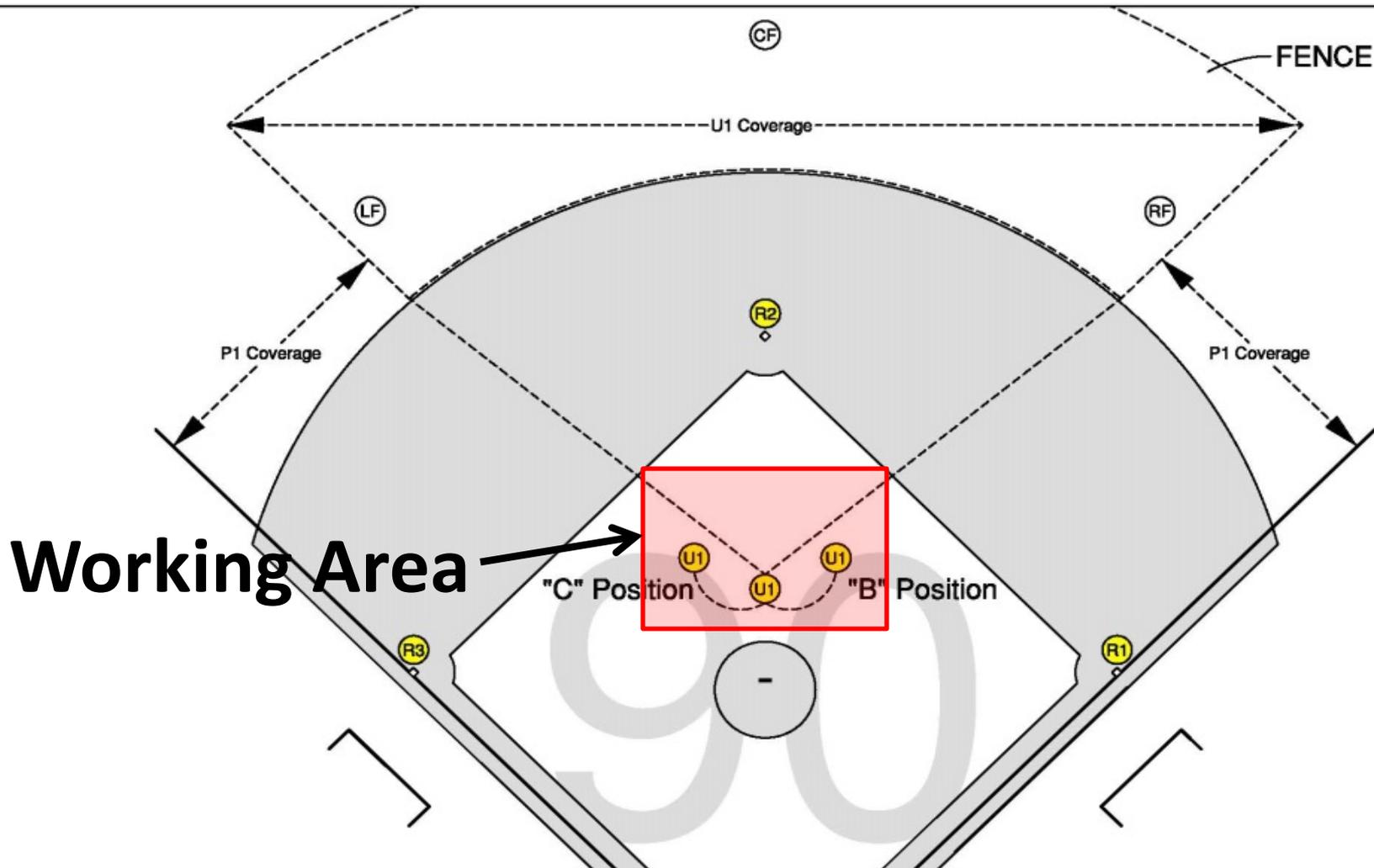
- In B and C positions, the base umpire is responsible for fly balls in the “V”



The "V"



- With base umpire in B or C, plate umpire has the foul lines and fly balls with the left or right fielders heading toward the foul lines



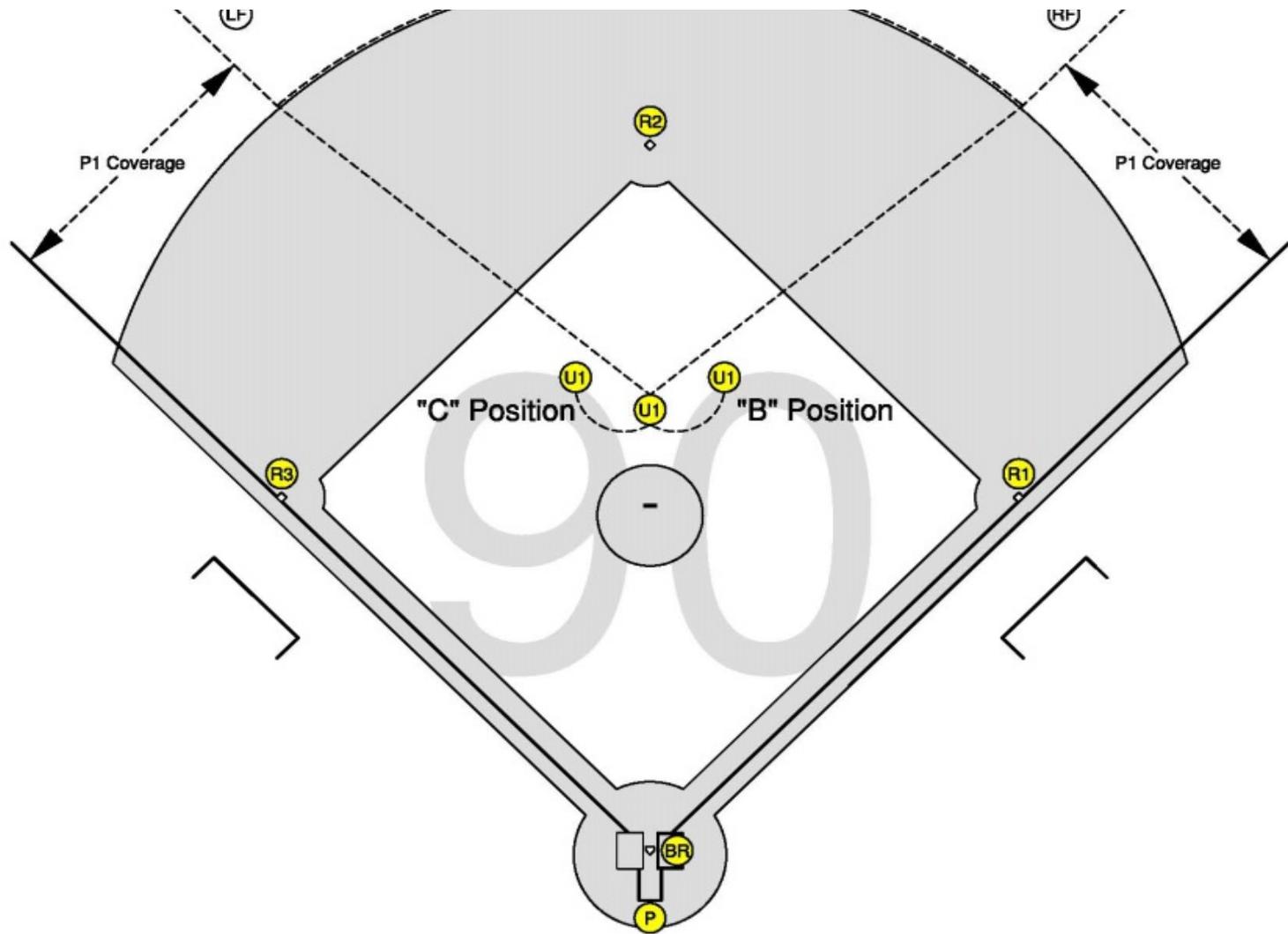
- Base umpire will remain in the working area for catch/no catch decisions in the outfield
- Never cross onto the infield dirt to view a catch

Plate Coverage of Third Base

When does the plate umpire lend a hand with calls at third base?

- Sometimes with no runners on base, plate umpire will take the runner into third base
- More commonly, with a runner on first and a clean hit to the outfield, plate umpire will come up to cover third.
- Discuss this coverage during your pregame!

Steal at Second Base



Double Play

