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# **LEVEL II UMPIRE MANUAL**

## **FAST PITCH**

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## 7 a) Step (Female Category and Male Bantam and Lower Categories)

- Prior to the front foot touching the ground, the pivot foot may:
  - a) remain in contact with the pitcher's plate.
  - or
  - b) push off and drag away from the pitcher's plate as long as:
    - it remains in contact with the ground.
    - the toe of the pivot foot is pointed down.
    - it does not rise above the plane of the ground.



**NOTE:** *It is illegal to push off with the pivot foot from any place other than the pitcher's plate.*

**NOTE:** *The pitcher does not have to drag through the hole created by the other pitcher(s).*

## 7 b) Step (Male Midget and Higher Categories)

- Prior to the front foot touching the ground, the pivot foot may:
  - a) remain in contact with the pitcher's plate.
  - b) push off and drag away from the pitcher's plate
  - c) hop or leap, and the pitcher may land and throw



**NOTE:** *It is illegal to push off with the pivot foot from any place other than the pitcher's plate.*