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Baseball Betting: How to Bet Basics

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Summary:

Here you can learn how to bet on baseball. Learn also why it is the best sports for novice sports bettors.

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Article Body:

If you know nothing about sports and you still feel the urge to wager, baseball is the easiest sport to bet on.

The main difference between baseball betting and other team sports betting such as football and basketball is the point spread.

What is a Point Spread?

Point spread is the most common betting type offered in football and basketball betting. The sportsbook sets the odds strictly on the outcome of the match. In order to bet on the favorite, you must bet on the point spread.

What is a Money Line?

In baseball betting, the sportsbook sets the odds strictly on the outcome of the match. In order to bet on the favorite, you must bet on the money line.

For example, if the money line is minus 170 on the favorite and plus 150 on the underdog, then you must bet 170 to win 100 on the favorite and 150 to win 100 on the underdog.

The difference between the minus 170 on the favorite and the plus 150 on the underdog is known as the point spread.

Sportsbooks also offer total bets and run lines in baseball betting.

1) Total Bets:

These wagers are based on the sum of the runs scored by both of the teams. For example, if the total runs scored in a game is 10, then a bet on the total runs being 10 or more would win.

2) The Run Line:

This wager is the baseball variation of point spread. When you are betting on the run line, you must bet on the point spread.

Conclusion:

Although the money line makes [baseball](http://www.gambling-portal.com/baseball.html) betting more difficult, it is still a profitable way to bet on baseball.

1) In order to calculate the payoff when wagering on the favorite you should add 1 to the favorite's money line.

2) In order to calculate the payoff when wagering on the underdog you should add 1 to the underdog's money line.

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