

The Statesmen 2016 Standard Instructions *(Rev 1.3 on 16 March)*

Owner: Eric Sheffler General Manager: Carlton Fisk Field Manager: Rich Dauer
 Pitching Coach: Keith Atherton Hitting Coach: Cliff Johnson Bench Coach: John Wathan
 Statesmen play on the boards. Computer managers, please do not use a computer manager.

Also, please send scripts from computer games AND both teams' stats for BOTH board and computer.

<u>Player</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Starts</u>	<u>RIP</u>	<u>CTRL</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>FAT</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>HB</u>	<u>BK</u>	<u>MF</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>MLB</u>	<u>Acquired</u>
Avilan, Luis	L	10 Y*	---	53.3	+ 16	- 11	5*	3	---	---	0	26	LAD	D-14 (2)
Carrasco, Carlos	R	11 XY	30	---	+ 22	+ 14	24	2	---	0	1	29	CLE	D-14 (6)
Doubront, Felix (INN)	L	3	24	(14.0)	- 13	- 12	27/16*	3	---	0	1	28	OAK	D-16 (6)
Eovaldi, Nathan	R	6	27	---	- 11	+ 35	26	3	---	0	1	26	NYN	T-15 (CAY)
Farquhar, Danny (INN)	R	5*	---	75.7	+ 11	- 25	7*	1	---	---	1	29	SEA	T-16 (MAR)
Finnegan, Brandon	L	15 X*	---	48.0	- 45	- 25	22/9*	0	---	0	0	23	CIN	D-16 (BON)
Heaney, Andrew	L	10	18	---	+ 15	+ 23	24	3	---	0	0	25	LAA	T-16 (BRO)
Layne, Tom	L	12 Y*	---	47.7	- 62	+ 35	5*	1	---	0	1	31	BOS	D-15 (5)
Maurer, Brandon	R	14 Y*	---	51.0	+ 12	+ 34	6*	1	---	0	1	25	SDP	T-15 (WAR)
Montgomery, Mike	L	7	16	---	- 31	0	27	3	---	0	1	27	SEA	T-16 (MAR)
Putnam, Zach	R	11 K*	---	48.7	- 31	- 15	6*	3	---	0	0	29	CWS	T-15 (MAR)
Rondon, Bruce (INN)	R	5 X*	---	65.7	- 62	+ 23	6*	3	---	0	0	25	DET	T-16 (MUN)
Smith, Joe	R	9 Y*	---	65.3	+ 22	+ 35	6*	1	---	0	2	32	LAA	T-12 (MAR)
Vizcaino, Arodys	R	19 XY*	---	33.7	- 16	+ 52	6*	3	0	0	0	25	ATL	D-16 (2)
Vogelsong, Ryan	R	7	22	(19.0)	- 32	- 12	26/10*	1	---	0	0	39	SFG	T-16 (MLR)
<i>Wainwright, Adam</i>	<i>R</i>	<i>UNCARDED</i>										<i>34</i>	<i>STL</i>	<i>T-07 (GC)</i>
Wisler, Matt	R	6	19	(2.0)	- 13	- 16	27/11*	1	---	---	1	23	ATL	D-16 (BON)
Wright, Mike (INN)	R	2	23	(3.0)	- 12	- 31	27/7*	3	---	0	1	26	BAL	D-16 (6)
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<u>Player</u>	<u>Bats</u>	<u>BC</u>	<u>BC-MG</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>PA</u>	<u>SBA</u>	<u>SSN</u>	<u>SPD</u>	<u>ARM</u>	<u>PB</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>MLB</u>	<u>Acquired</u>
Conger, Hyun	B	SA0	-8 / +5	73	229	1	E14	S6	33	1	-4	28	HOU	T-16 (BH)
Davis, Khris	R	SA0	-5 / 0	121	440	8	F29	9	31	--	--	28	MIL	D-14 (1)
Drury, Brandon	R	SA4	+7 / -7	---	59	0	N	9	30	--	--	24	ARZ	D-16 (5)
Gallo, Joey	L	PR5	-12 / +5	36	123	3	E33	7	31	--	--	23	TEX	D-16 (2)
Goins, Ryan	L	SA3	-6 / 0	128	428	3	G26	F 15	31	--	--	28	TOR	D-14 (5)
Hamilton, Billy	B	SA0	+1 / -2	114	454	65	B34	F 20	34	--	--	25	CIN	D-15 (1)
Harrison, Josh	R	SA1	+1 / -2	114	449	18	C22	F 16	32	--	--	29	PIT	T-15 (TAY)
Hechavarria, Adeiny	R	SA4	+10 / -4	130	499	9	F30	13	34	--	--	27	MIA	D-13 (2)
<i>Mesoraco, Devin</i>	<i>R</i>	<i>UNCARDED</i>										<i>27</i>	<i>CIN</i>	<i>D-13 (1)</i>
Murphy, Daniel	L	SA5	-8 / +1	130	538	4	F20	8	29	--	--	31	NYM	T-13 (DAL)
Pena, Brayan	B	SA0	-6 / +1	108	367	2	R31	S 4	32	2	-4	34	CIN	T-15 (WAR)
Peralta, David	L	PR5	-11 / +1	149	517	13	E27	F 15	32	--	--	28	ARZ	D-15 (2)
Ruf, Darin	R	PL5	+16 / -12	106	297	1	R26	S 6	32	--	--	29	PHI	D-14 (BON)
Swihart, Blake	B	SA0	-6 / +1	84	309	6	E26	F16	32	3	-2	24	BOS	D-16 (1)
Upton, Justin	R	SA0	-12 / +1	150	620	24	E31	F15	35	--	--	29	SDP	D-08 (1)
Votto, Joey	L	SA0	0 / -2	158	695	14	F30	10	31	--	--	32	CIN	D-08 (1)
Wieters, Matt	B	SA0	-3 / -1	75	282	0	N	S 6	34	1	0	29	BAL	D-10 (1)

Cuts: Uncarded - Balfour, Beckett, Cook, & R. Montero. Carded - Cravy, Nesbit, W. Rodriguez, R. Weeks.

Minors by month (subject to change in months after April):

April: Farquhar, Heaney, Montgomery, Putnam, Wainwright, Wright / Conger, Drury, Mesoraco & Pena

May: Farquhar, Heaney, Montgomery, Putnam, Wainwright, Wright / Drury, Gallo, Mesoraco, & Swihart

June: Farquhar, Heaney, Putnam, Wainwright, Wisler, Wright / Drury, Gallo, Mesoraco, & Pena

July: Farquhar, Heaney, Montgomery, Putnam, Wainwright, Wright / Drury, Gallo, Mesoraco, & Swihart

August: Doubront, Farquhar, Smith, Wainwright, Wisler, Wright / Drury, Gallo, Mesoraco, & Pena

Sept: Farquhar, Montgomery, Smith, Vogelsong, Wainwright, Wisler / Drury, Gallo, Mesoraco, & Swihart

October: Eovaldi, Farquhar, Smith, Wainwright, Wisler, Wright / Drury, Gallo, Mesoraco, & Pena

November: All players up

Line-Ups:

<u>Vs. RHP Boards</u>		<u>Vs. LHP Boards</u>		<u>Vs. RHP Computer</u>		<u>Vs. LHP Computer</u>		<u>N/A</u>	
1	Upton RF	1	Hechavarria SS	1	Upton RF	1	Upton RF	1	
2	Votto 1B	2	Harrison 2B	2	Votto 1B	2	Votto 1B	2	
3	Murphy 3B	3	Votto 1B	3	Harrison 2B	3	Harrison 2B	3	
4	Peralta LF	4	Ruf DH	4	Peralta LF	4	Peralta LF	4	
5	Conger DH	5	Wieters C	5	Davis DH	5	Davis DH	5	
6	Pena C	6	Peralta LF	6	Murphy 3B	6	Wieters C	6	
7	Hechavarria SS	7	Murphy 3B	7	Wieters C	7	Goins 3B	7	
8	Goins 2B	8	Upton RF	8	Hechavarria SS	8	Hechavarria SS	8	
9	Hamilton CF	9	Hamilton CF	9	Hamilton CF	9	Hamilton CF	9	

OFFENSIVE STRATEGY

NOTE 1: Everyone is available to be used in all offensive and defensive substitution situations.

NOTE 2: Leverage the bench to win situations throughout the game that could lead to winning games.

NOTE 3: Hamilton will attempt to steal 2nd & 3rd anytime, to include double steals, if Adams Tables allow him or both runners in a double steal to attempt the steal(s).

HIT & RUN: Strategy #1 (Except if Hamilton on 1st – he should always look Steal before H & R)

- Hechavarria & Murphy should H & R always when legal to do so.
- Goins, Hamilton, and Harrison should H & R anytime the runner on 1st is Fast or has an adjusted SSN of 18+.

STEAL: Strategy #2 – Look to H & R first (Except when Hamilton is on first)

- Hamilton has the green light anytime when eligible by Adams Tables.
- All others should not steal if score is OVER a 3 run differential either way.
- Players with 10+ SBA remaining have green light after the 4th if tying/lead run, eligible by Adams Tables, no H & R to be executed, and b) above not in play.
- All remaining players have green light after the 7th if tying/lead run, eligible by Adams Tables, no H & R to be executed, and b) above not in play.

SACRIFICE: Strategy #3 Always look to H & R or Steal first.

- Sacrifice tying/lead run on 1st or 1st and 2nd with 0 or 1 out in the 5th or later and two better hitting cards behind the player sacrificing.
- NEVER sacrifice with a 4-power number hitter.
- NEVER squeeze

PINCH HITTING: (Look at 'Overall Player Strategy...' on page 4 for platoon position guidance)

- Don't PH for Harrison, Hechavarria, Murphy, Peralta, or Votto.
- PH in 5th or later, tying OR lead run on base, a defensive replacement available, and a better hitting card on bench. Use best available for the situation.

PINCH RUNNING: (Look at 'Overall Player Strategy...' on page 4 for platoon position guidance)

- Run for any Slow runner after the 5th inning with a non-Slow runner if they are the tying/lead run & defensive replacement available. Hamilton always the 1st choice.

RUNNER ADVANCEMENT:

- Always go if chance is 28+ for home and 30+ for 3B. Otherwise, use Adams Tables.
- For computer players, go for it if the text says "well around...". Don't go for optional triples after the 5th inning. Otherwise I trust your knowledge/intuition of computer game.

SEND RUNNER ON 3RD:

- If your infield is in, HOLD runner unless combined Fldg rating of your 2B & SS is < 15.

Statesmen 2016 Pitching Rotation															
01-APR 1-4	@MAR	E	B	C	D	OFF		21-AUG 1-4	NW	F	A	G	B		
02-APR 6-8	KAN	E	B	C	OFF			22-AUG 5-8	GC	D	F	A	G	OFF	
03-APR 10-13	NBO	D	E	B	C			23-AUG 10-13	CAY	B	F	A	G		
04-APR 14-17	MID	A	D	E	B	OFF		24-AUG 14-17	@BH	D	B	F	A		
05-APR 19-23	@TAY	C	A	E	D	B	OFF	25-AUG 18-21	@BRO	G	D	B	F	OFF	
06-MAY 1-5	MUN	C	E	A	B	D		26-SEP 3-5	@MAR	ASG	OFF	A	F	C	
07-MAY 6-9	KNX	C	E	A	B	OFF		27-SEP 6-9	KAN	B	H	A	F		
08-MAY 11-14	@WHT	D	C	E	B			28-SEP 10-12	NBO	C	B	H	OFF		
09-MAY 15-18	@HOB	A	D	C	E	OFF		29-SEP 14-17	TAY	F	A	C	B		
10-MAY 20-23	@COL	B	A	D	E			30-SEP 18-22	@KNX	H	F	A	C	B	OFF
11-JUN 1-4	@KAN	G	B	C	A	OFF		31-OCT 1-4*	@MID	F	G	C	A	D	OFF
12-JUN 6-8	@NBO	G	B	D				32-OCT 6-9	@MUN	F	G	C	A		
13-JUN 9-11	MAR	A	C	G				33-OCT 10-14	HUD	D	F	G	C	A	
14-JUN 12-16	MLR	B	D	A	C	G	OFF	34-OCT 15-18	LV	D	F	G	C	OFF	
15-JUN 18-21	@HUD	B	A	D	G			35-OCT 20-23	@WAR	A	F	G	D		
16-JUL 1-5	@LV	E	B	C	A	D		36-NOV 2-6	ZIO	OFF	A	F	E	H	B
17-JUL 6-9	@ZIO	E	B	C	A	OFF		37-NOV 7-10	@MLR	A	F	E	H		
18-JUL 11-14	IND	E	B	D	A			38-NOV 11-13	@KAN	G	A	F	OFF		
19-JUL 15-18	RYE	C	E	B	D			39-NOV 15-18	@NBO	E	H	D	F		
20-JUL 19-22	DET	A	C	E	B	OFF		40-NOV 19-22	MAR	A	E	H	G	OFF	

* Double Header on 4 Oct

A = Carrasco B = Eovaldi C = Doubront D = Vogelsong
 E = Wisler F = Heaney G = Montgomery H = Wright, M.

MANAGING THE PITCHING STAFF

Starters: Should never go long enough to warrant them missing their next start.

REMOVE BEFORE 6th: When pounded out OR downgraded (unless score is STM -4 or more)

6th INNING ON: Remove any starter if the tying/winning run reaches base OR if any two runners reach base with the score STM +4/-2.

Bullpen: We are carrying 7 relievers so get the benefit of the lefty/righty advantages as much as possible at the critical times during the game. Use committee approach with this grid & comments below as guidelines:

Score									
INNING	-4/more	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3	+4/more
5th -	A1	A1	A2	B	B	B	B	A2	A2
6th	A1	A1/A2	A2	B	B	B	B	A2	A2
7th	A1	A2	B	B	C	C	C	B	A2
8th	A1/A2	B	B/C	C	C	C	C	B/C	A2/B
9th +	A1/A2	B	C	C	C	D	D	C/D	B

A1 - Farquhar, Rondon **A2** - Avilan, Putnam, Smith
B - Avilan, Layne, Putnam, Smith (Rondon or Farquhar included for 1 or 2 batters w/bad RH Shift)
C - Finnegan, Layne, Maurer, Putnam
D - Vizcaino

CLOSER: Vizcaino – Should enter *during* the 9th in save situations. If game becomes tied, remove.

MIDDLE & SET-UP: All *except* Vizcaino can be used.

MOP/LONG MAN: Farquhar &/or Rondon will be the first to absorb innings in blowouts (STM -5 or more) if starter has to be removed. They should stay in until they have pitched 2.2 innings OR are reduced to Grade 2* OR we get within 4 runs. After they are used and abused, Smith or Putnam will be next up. Following them, spread work around (-Vizcaino) to try not to fatigue any Grade 8*+ during the series.

No reliever should pitch over 2.2 innings per game unless extra innings requires this to occur.

DEFENSIVE STRATEGY

INTENTIONAL WALKS: If lead run in scoring position after 4th & 1B open, issue free pass when:

- a) 1 out - to set up the double play unless on-deck hitter is superior to player to be walked.
- b) 2 out - to get to an inferior hitter.
- c) NEVER load the bases unless the ensuing hitter/pitcher match-up is favorable and makes a walk highly unlikely.

PITCH FROM THE STRETCH: Pitch from stretch with runner on 3rd only if game within one run in 8th or later, adj. SSN > 10, and two outs.

HOLD RUNNER: When 1B4 is playing first always hold. Otherwise:

- a) Hold all fast runners.
- b) Hold all medium runners unless I have a lead of 2 or more and there is a PL hitter.
- c) Hold slow runners only with a RH hitter or less than 2 out unless I lead by 2 or more.
- d) Don't hold with 2 out & men on 1st & 3rd unless runner on 1st is the lead or tie run.

INFIELD IN: Three cases:

- a) Runner on 3rd only: 0 or 1 out, 6th or later, STM +1 to -4.
- b) Runners on 1st and 3rd: 8th or later, 0 out, STM 0 to -4.
- c) 2nd & 3rd OR Bases Full: only if winning run on 3rd, 9th or later, 0 or 1 out.
CAVEAT – with 1 out, Bases Full, play deep if batter has 2+ 24s)

OUTFIELD THROWS:

- a) Throw for lead runner if < 34 chances. Otherwise hold trailing runners.
- b) In 6th or later, hold trailing runner if they are tying run UNLESS lead runner has <15 chances.
- c) **Computer game:** throw for lead runner UNLESS “well around” & is non-slow OR trailing runner is tying run.

OVERALL PLAYER STRATEGY BY POSITION/DEFENSIVE REPLACEMENTS

CATCHER: Swihart, Wieters, & Pena share time. Platoon to best advantage. Conger is emergency C.

FIRST BASE: Votto. If injured, put in best player given the pitching and game situations.

SECOND BASE: Harrison and Goins.

SHORTSTOP: Hechavarria and Goins.

THIRD BASE: Murphy and Goins. If STM +1 to +3 in the 7th inning on AND Goins on bench with Harrison ALREADY in at 2B, move Harrison to 3B and bring Goins in to 2B.

OUTFIELD: Upton, Hamilton, Peralta, Davis, Ruf, and Conger. If Davis, Ruf, or Conger is in the OF, replace with Upton or Hamilton if STM +1 to +3 from 7th inning on.

DESIGNATED HITTER: Conger/Gallo & Ruf primarily with Davis at times. Platoon them at any time in the game to negate big shifts against relievers. There may be the need to dissolve the DH during the game to necessitate moves for injuries/ejections/defense/etc. Don't be afraid to do this if it is STM best option at the time. If this comes into play, do not let the pitcher bat.

INJURIES: Use your best judgment in making the necessary changes. Please call or email if concerned about the decision.

OVERALL THOUGHTS

- Feel free to contact me via phone, text, IM, etc. if you have any questions when playing my team.
- I'm open to playing face-to-face if anyone wants to do so. I've plenty of room in my house. This will be my last season played at West Point so, if this interests you, this is the year to do it. I would be glad to travel to you if I can work my schedule out. I am also open to playing online with Skype, Google Chat, or some other video process.