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- DP and all players (except the Flex) are charged with a substitution only when they leave the batting order. **Their movement on & off the field defensively must be reported to the plate umpire.**
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