

Murrayhill Little League

Pitch Count Regulation – 2009 Regular Season

The following regulation takes the place of Little League Regulation VI (a) through (d) in the baseball division(s) for the 2009 Regular Season. In addition the League has added items (l) and (m)

Regulation VI – Pitchers:

- (a). Any player on a regular season team may pitch. (**NOTE:** There is no limit to the number of pitchers a team may use in a game.) **Exception:** A player who has attained a league age of twelve (12) is not eligible to pitch in the Minor League.
- (b). **Junior, Senior, and Big League Divisions only:** A pitcher remaining in the game, but moving to a different position, can return as a pitcher anytime in the remainder of the game, but only once per game.
- (c). The manager must remove the pitcher when said pitcher reaches the limit for his/her age group as noted below, but the pitcher may remain in the game at another position:

13-16	95 pitches per day
11-12	85 pitches per day
9-10	75 pitches per day
7-8	50 pitches per day

Exception: If a pitcher reaches the limit imposed in Regulation VI (c) for his/her league age while facing a batter, the pitcher may continue to pitch until any one of the following conditions occur: **1. That batter reaches base; 2. That batter is put out; 3. The third out is made to complete the half inning. NOTE: A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.**

- (d). Pitchers league ages 16 and under must adhere to the following rest requirements:
- If a player pitches 61 or more pitches in a day, four (4) calendar days of rest, **and a game (see e. below)** must be observed.
 - If a player pitches 41 - 60 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest, **and a game (see e. below)** must be observed.
 - If a player pitches 21 - 40 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - If a player pitches 1-20 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar day of rest must be observed.

NOTE: A player may not pitch in consecutive games. Exception – League Age 16 and under- A player may pitch in consecutive games if 40 or less pitches were delivered in the previous game.

Articles (e) through (k) can be found in the Little League Baseball 2009 Official Regulations and Playing Rules.

(l). Sixty (60) pitches per calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) must be made by 11 year old players for each team in the Major Division, subject to normal rest and pitch count restrictions.

All pitches thrown by 11 year old players of a single team count toward the sixty (60) pitch requirement.

In the event that the number of regular games played during a calendar week is less than three (3) due to the schedule, or due to rain-outs, the required number of pitches required is reduced to twenty (20) pitches.

NOTE: If the last game of the week is cancelled for any reason, the 11 year old pitch rules, as described above, still apply for the calendar week. The intention of the manager to pitch an 11 year old in a cancelled game does not waive the rules.

If a team fails to meet the 11 year old pitch requirement as described above, then the remedy will follow the guidelines in Little League Rules section IV(i) governing minimum playing time.

PENALTY: (An) 11 year old(s) will start the next game, and throw the required pitches not thrown in the previous week. This amount will not count toward the requirement for the current week, but will be added to the requirement for the current week. Additional offenses will follow the guidelines outlined in Little League Rules section IV(i).

(g). In the Minors division, no pitcher will pitch more than three innings per game during the first half of the season. For the 2009 season the 1st half of the season will end with the completion of the games Saturday, May 2nd. Starting Monday May 4, pitchers in the Minor division may pitch more than 3 innings in a game, as long as the pitcher meets all other criteria in the 2009 Murrayhill Local Rules and Pitch Count Regulations.