

## Baseball PEI Pitch Count Rules

| 11U          | 13U          | 15U          | 18U          | 21U          | Rest    |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------|
| 1-25 pitches | 1-30 pitches | 1-35 pitches | 1-40 pitches | 1-45 pitches | None    |
| 26-40        | 31-45        | 36-50        | 41-55        | 46-60        | 1 day   |
| 41-55        | 46-60        | 51-65        | 56-70        | 61-75        | 2 days  |
| 56-65        | 61-75        | 66-80        | 71-85        | 76-90        | 3 days  |
| 66-75        | 76-85        | 81-95        | 86-105       | 91-115       | 4 days  |
| 75           | 85           | 95           | 105          | 115          | Maximum |

- Any player on the team is eligible to pitch, and there are no restrictions on the number of pitchers a manager may use in a game.
- In all Baseball PEI competitions, once a pitcher is about to throw the pitch which would lead him/her to reach a pitch count threshold and the coach wishes not to throw this pitcher past this threshold, the coach will call time and indicate to the umpire this would be the last batter. Once that at-bat is completed, the pitcher must be withdrawn and be credited with only throwing the limit of pitches at that threshold.
  - For example, in 15U, if a coach wants a pitcher to be withdrawn at 35 pitches, he would signal to the umpire prior to the throwing of the 35<sup>th</sup> pitch. Once the pitcher finishes that batter, he/she would be withdrawn from the game and credited with throwing 35 pitches.
- Pitchers shall be permitted to have 2 appearances in the same calendar day. If a pitcher requires a rest following 1<sup>st</sup> appearance, they cannot return in the same calendar day.
- Pitchers cannot pitch three (3) consecutive days unless a pitcher's first two days combined does not exceed; 11U - 25 pitches, 13U - 30 pitches, 15U - 35 pitches, 18U - 40 pitches and 21U – 45 pitches. If pitcher's Day 1 + Day 2 figures exceeds figure above for their division, they require at least one day's rest. A pitcher cannot pitch four (4) consecutive days. One (1) days rest is needed.
- The official scorekeeper will calculate the total pitches thrown for that calendar day and determine the required rest starting the next calendar day. Athletes must not exceed the maximum pitch count total for the day.
- Once a player assumes the position of pitcher, they cannot catch for the remainder of the day.
- Pitchers will be permitted to finish the batter if his or her maximum pitch limit has been reached for that calendar day.
- New in 2018, if a team wishes to intentionally walk somebody, they may signal to the umpire that they wish to intentionally walk the batter and the batter will be awarded first bases (as is done in MLB). Only pitches actually thrown will be included in Pitch Count totals. Automatic balls during an intentional walk do not count towards Pitch Count totals.
- Required rest shall be defined in "days" starting at 12:01 am and ending at 11:59 pm of the next calendar day.
- If a game continues past 12:01 am, those pitches are counted as if pitched prior to midnight. If a game is suspended when it resumes it is defined as a different day.
- When a game is stopped by inclement weather or for any other reason than a mercy rule, that specific game has to be resumed at the point of stoppage. If pitcher "A" is the starting pitcher of a game and has a pitch count below the first threshold, pitcher "A" can then be used as a pitcher again for that particular game but considering he will be carrying the number of pitches thrown when the game stopped. This applies for a game that is resumed on the same day or on the next day.
- A pitcher who is removed from the mound during a game shall not be permitted to return to pitch in the same game, even if the pitcher is retained in the game at another position.
- The manager or coach may make a 2<sup>nd</sup> visit to the mound while the same batter is at bat in order to remove the pitcher.

