

Babe Ruth/Cal Ripken Pitch Count Rules

AGE	DAILY MAX (Pitches in Game/Day)	REQUIRED REST (# of PITCHES)		
		0 Days	1 Day	2 Days
7-8	50	1-20	21-35	36+
9-10	75	1-40	41-65	66+
11-12	85	1-40	41-65	66+
13-15	95	1-45	46-75	76+
16-18	105	1-45	46-75	76+

The following rules are in addition to the Pioneer Local League Rules.

Each game, an official pitch count recorder must be designated. Both bookkeepers must also track both teams pitcher's pitch count. At the end of each half inning, the books must be trued up with the pitch count official's number.

The pitch count recorder must provide the current pitch count for any pitcher when requested by either manager or any umpire, as well as notify the plate umpire when a pitcher has reached the pitch limit. The plate umpire will then notify the pitcher's manager that the pitcher must be removed. However, the manager is responsible for knowing when his/her pitcher must be removed.

Failure of the pitch count recorder to notify the plate umpire, and/or, failure of the plate umpire to notify the manager, does not relieve the manager of his/her responsibility to remove the pitcher when that pitcher is no longer eligible to pitch.

A pitcher who delivers 41 (46 for Babe Ruth) or more pitches in a game shall not play the position of catcher for the remainder of that game, or in a 2nd game played the same day. A player that started as catcher may be moved to pitcher, but may not throw more than 40 pitches (45 for Babe Ruth).

A Cal Ripken player may pitch in more than one game in a day provided they are still eligible under the Daily Max per game per day.

In the Babe Ruth divisions, a player may pitch in more than one game in a day provided they are still eligible under the Daily Max per game per day.

Violation of this rule may result in a protest of the game in which it occurs.

Exception: If a pitcher reaches the Daily Max limit 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 3rd out of the half inning is recorded

Intentional Walk Rule-An intentional base on balls may be given by the defensive team by having its catcher or coach request the umpire to award the batter first base. This may be done before pitching to the batter or on any ball and strike count. The ball shall be declared dead before making the award.

Notes:

1. The withdrawal of an ineligible pitcher after that pitcher is announced, or after a warm-up pitch is delivered, but before that player has pitched a ball to a batter, shall not be considered a violation. Officials are urged to take precautions to prevent protests. When a protest situation is imminent, the potential offender should be notified immediately.
2. Pitches delivered in games declared "Regulation Tie Games" or "Suspended Games" shall be charged against pitcher's eligibility
3. In a game suspended by darkness, weather, or other causes and resumed the following calendar day, the pitcher at the time the game was halted may continue to the extent of his/her eligibility as though the game had not been stopped.

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4. In suspended games resumed on another day, the pitcher of record at the time the game was halted may continue to pitch to the extent of their eligibility for that day, provided said pitcher has observed the required days of rest.

Example 1: A league age 12 pitcher delivers 70 pitches in a game on Tuesday when the game is suspended. The game resumes on Thursday. The pitcher is not eligible to pitch in the resumption of the game because he/she has not observed the required two days of rest

Example 2: A league age 12 pitcher delivers 70 pitches in a game on Tuesday when the game is suspended. The game resumes on Saturday. The pitcher is eligible to pitch up to 85 more pitches in the resumption of the game because he/she has observed the required 2 days of rest.

Example 3: A league age 12 pitcher delivers 70 pitches in a game on Tuesday when the game is suspended. The game resumes 2 weeks later on Monday. The pitcher is eligible to pitch up to 85 more pitches in the resumption of the game, provided he/she is eligible based on his/her pitching record during the two days prior to the resumption of the game.

A pitcher that threw more than 25 pitches the previous day should not throw a bullpen during practice.

A Cal Ripken practice bullpen session should not have more than 25 pitches thrown.

A Babe Ruth practice bullpen session should not have more than 35 pitches thrown.