

Playoff Pitch Count Instructions:

Each team must assign a pitch counter. At the end of each game, the pitch counts must be compared and agreed upon by both teams.

HOME team manager must send in pitch counts and final game score to the Majors Coordinator.

All of the pitch counts will be entered on the KLL website under the Coaches tab – Major A Playoff Pitch Counts and Major B Playoff Pitch Counts.

Pitch Count Rules

Little League Rule- Regulation VI - VI – PITCHERS

(a) Any player on a regular season team may pitch. **Exception:** *Any player who has played the position of catcher in four (4) or more innings in a game is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.*

Maximum pitch count:

- a) 11-12 year olds; 85 per day
- b) 9-10 year olds; 75 per day
- c) 7-8 50 pitches per day

There are thresholds that require a certain number of days rest depending on the number of pitches thrown. They are 20, 35, 50, 65, 75 and 85. The rules allow for a pitcher to finish pitching to a batter as long as they start at bat below their threshold.

Pitch count and days of rest:

- a) 0-20 pitches, zero days of rest
- b) 21-35 pitches, 1 calendar day of rest;
- c) 36-50 pitches, 2 calendar days of rest;
- d) 51-65 pitches, 3 calendar days of rest;
- e) 66 or more pitches, 4 calendar days of rest.

In the example below, both Eric and Wesley threw a total of 53 pitches. However, their official pitch counts differ based on whether or not they started pitching to the last batter before the threshold for days of rest.

- Wesley's pitch count would be posted as 50* because he started pitching to his last batter at 48 and took another 3 pitches to finish off the batter. He would require 2 calendar days of rest before he pitches again.
- Eric's pitch count would be posted as 53 because he threw to 2 other batters so he is not eligible to pitch again until he has had 3 calendar days of rest.

Pitcher's Name	Uniform Number	Pitches Thrown	Official Pitch Count
SG - Carson	7	43	43
SG - Eric	19	53	53 (threw to 2 batters after passing 50 threshold)
DQOJ – Wesley	4	53	50* (started last batter at 48 pitches thrown)
DQOJ – Jordan	3	43	43
DQOJ – Colton	11	22	20 (started last batter at 18 pitches thrown)

EXCEPTION: If a pitcher reaches a day(s) of rest threshold while facing a batter, the pitcher may continue to pitch until any one of the following conditions occurs:

1. That batter reaches base
2. That batter is retired
3. The third out is made to complete the half-inning.

The pitcher will only be required to observe the calendar day(s) of rest for the threshold he/she reached during that at-bat, provided that pitcher is removed before delivering a pitch to another batter. *Clarification: In essence, if any pitching threshold is reached with the last batter in the game, any instance which would cause the half inning to end, it is to be treated the same as being removed from the game before delivering a pitch to another batter.*

Scenario:

In a Majors Division Baseball game, in the sixth inning with no outs, the manager replaces the pitcher, the replacement pitcher throws 19 pitches and reaches two outs. The pitcher then faces another batter, throws five (5) more pitches for the third out, which ends the half inning and the game. In this scenario, the pitcher reached 24 pitches. The third out was made ending the half inning and the game, preventing the manager from removing the pitcher before delivering a pitch to another batter, and thus, no calendar days rest must be observed. In this case indicate the pitch count as **20***.

If the pitcher does end up pitching to 24 and it was not due to any of the exceptions listed above, then the pitch count would be listed as **24** and the pitcher would require one calendar day of rest.