

MINORS

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2. No metal cleats can be worn in this division.
3. Each team must have seven players to start the game.
4. A team can start with seven players but if other players come late, then they can be added to the end of your batting order. Once you have completed your batting order, they can no longer be added to the order unless an out was taken for their turn at bat.
5. Catchers need to be ready as soon as possible to avoid delays in game.
6. Hurry players in and out of dugout
7. Let the score keeper know of any pitching changes to be made
8. Baulks are instructional in this league.
9. A pitcher must be removed if he has hit three (3) batters by pitch on the fly in one game.
10. A second coach's visit to the mound during an inning can only be used to switch out pitchers.
11. Coaches can only change pitchers between batters.
12. A ball that hits the scoreboard/billboards is not considered a home run. The ball must clear the scoreboard/billboards to be a home run.
13. The umpire will make the call when the ball is dead.
14. Home plate is closed
 - a. No leading off
 - b. Runner may steal but only after the ball leaves the pitchers hand.
15. There will be a five run rule per inning. An extra run shall be awarded for each remaining out.
16. Tie Breaker- 1 inning with a coin flip after the first extra inning (the player that recorded the last out in the previous inning will start on 2nd base in both extra innings...keep in mind that this is not necessarily the last batter)

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17. Non Tournament Games have a time limit of one hour and thirty minutes.

- a. A new inning cannot be started if there are less than five minutes left in the game.
- b. If game is tied, any inning that would start after time limit has been reached will be considered an extra inning. The Tie Breaker rule would then go into effect.

18. If a non tournament game is called due to rain, you must have completed three innings for it to be official. If three innings have not been completed, then the game will start completely over when made up.

- a. In the event of a tournament game the game would be suspended. Play would resume at the exact point that the game was previously suspended.

19. Please refer to MMBA Pitch Count Rules sheet for pitch count details.

MAJORS

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5. Catchers need to be ready as soon as possible to avoid game delays.
6. Hurry players in and out of dugout
7. Let the score keeper know of any pitching changes to be made
8. Baulks are enforced from the beginning of the season.
9. A pitcher must be removed if he has hit three (3) batters by pitch on the fly in one game.
10. A second coach's visit to the pitcher's mound in one inning can only be used to switch out pitchers.
11. Coaches can only change pitchers between batters.
12. A ball that hits the scoreboard/billboard is not considered a home run. The ball must clear the Scoreboard/billboard to be a home run.
13. The umpire will make the call when the ball is dead.
14. Home plate is open
 - a. leading off is permitted
 - b. runner can steal at his own risk
15. There is a five run rule per inning. An additional run will be given for each remaining out.

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16. Non Tournament Games have a time limit of one hour and thirty minutes
 - a. A new inning may not be started if there are less than five minutes remaining in the game.
 - b. If game is tied, any inning that would start after time limit has been reached will be considered an extra inning. The Tie Breaker rule would then go into effect.
17. Tie Breaker – 2 innings with a coin flip after the 2nd extra inning (the player that recorded the last out in the previous inning will start on 2nd base in both extra innings...keep in mind that this is not necessarily the last batter)
18. If a non tournament game is called due to rain, three innings must be completed for the game to be official. If three innings have not been completed then the game will start completely over when made up.
 - a. In the event of a tournament game the game would be suspended. Play would resume at the exact point that the game was previously suspended
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MMBA Pitch Count Rules

MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF PITCHES PER DAY FOR PITCHERS

Minors Division (3rd/4th Grade) -----75 Pitches

Majors Division (5th/6th Grade) -----85 Pitches

DAYS REST THRESHOLDS

66+ pitches will need 4 calendar days rest.

- May pitch 20 or less pitches on day 4

51-65 pitches will need 3 calendar days rest.

- May pitch 20 or less pitches on day 3

36-50 pitches will need 2 calendar days rest.

- May pitch 20 or less pitches on day 2

21-35 pitches will need 1 calendar day rest.

- May pitch 20 or less pitches next day

1-20 pitches will not need any days rest.

Today	Next Day	2 nd Day	3 rd Day	4 th Day	5 th Day
66+	0	0	0	20	Full
51-65	0	0	20	Full	
36-50	0	20	Full		
21-35	20	Full			
1-20	Full				

THE FOLLOWING ALSO APPLIES TO BOTH MINORS AND MAJORS DIVISIONS

- A calendar day is one full day as it is seen on a calendar. A calendar day begins at midnight and ends at midnight the following evening.
 - Example: If a pitcher in the Majors Division throws 70 pitches in a game on Saturday morning, that pitcher cannot pitch a FULL amount of pitches until Thursday, when he has had four calendar days of rest (Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday). It makes no difference what time of day the pitcher pitched Saturday, as the rest period does not begin until midnight that night.
- A pitcher reaching the maximum per day limit during a batter may finish pitching to that batter.
- Pitches thrown during an intentional walk WILL be counted towards a players pitch total.

- 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.
- Pitches delivered in games declared “Suspended Games” or games “Called Due to Weather Before Game is Official” shall be charged against pitcher’s eligibility.
- In suspended games resumed on another day, the pitchers 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 Majors Division pitcher delivers 70 pitches in a game on Monday when the game is suspended. The game resumes on the following Wednesday. The pitcher is not eligible to pitch in the resumption of the game because he/she has not observed the required days of rest.
 - Example 2: A Majors Division pitcher delivers 70 pitches in a game on Monday 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 has observed the required days of rest.
 - Example 3: A Majors Division pitcher delivers 70 pitches in a game on Monday when the game is suspended. The game resumes two weeks later. The pitcher is eligible to pitch up to 85 more pitches in the resumption of the game, provided he is eligible based on his pitching record during the previous three days.

SCOREKEEPING PROCEDURES

The official scorekeeper in the Felling Field score booth will also be the official pitch count recorder.

The scorekeeping and pitch counting will be managed by the MMBA by using the GAMECHANGER scoring app. Coaches can keep track of pitch counts by downloading the GAMECHANGER app on their own device and becoming a FAN of their team.

A Days Rest pitch count total for the league’s pitchers will be posted on the score booth at the beginning of each day.

During a game the pitch count recorder must provide the current pitch count for any pitcher when requested by either manager or any umpire. However, the manager is responsible for knowing when his/her pitcher must be removed.

The official pitch count recorder should inform the umpire when a pitcher has delivered his maximum limit of pitches for the game. The umpire will inform the pitcher’s manager that the pitcher must be removed in accordance with MMBA rules. However, the failure by the pitch count recorder to notify the umpire, and/or the failure of the umpire to notify the manager, does not relieve the manager of his/her responsibility to remove a pitcher when that pitcher is no longer eligible.

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