

Farm Baseball

- 4 innings or No new inning after 1 hour, 20 minutes (NO “drop-dead” time)
- 10 Defensive Players on the field (4 players in the outfield)

Batting Guidelines/Limits:

- 3 outs, 5 runs or 9 batters ends inning. Full roster in batting line-up (no batting substitutions required)

Mercy Rule: 10 Runs after 3 innings

Defensive Rules:

1. No advancing past 1 base when attempting a stolen base
2. No advancing more than one base on an overthrow on a play being made at any base. (No exceptions, even if play is made on advancing runner)
3. One defensive coach is allowed on the field
4. **During “coach pitch” pitcher must stay within 3 ft. of the pitching rubber!!**

Farm Division Pitching Rules:

Pitching distance 40 FT.

1. No walks allowed. After 4 “balls” have been pitched, the coach will pitch the remaining strikes. Batter will either hit or strike out.
2. Batter hit by pitch will automatically advance to 1st base (No Exceptions!)
3. No on-deck batter.
4. Max. 50 pitches per day
5. **If coach is pitching, pitcher must stay within 3 feet of pitching rubber!**

Pitch count guidelines:

- If a player pitches 36 - 50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- If a player pitches 21 - 35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- If a player pitches 1-20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.
- Please reference page 37 in the rule book for all pitching guidelines.

Home team will provide a Scorekeeper, and visiting team will provide a Pitch Counter, unless game is played on Field 3 SR, a scorekeeper/pitch counter will be provided. Both the Scorekeeper and the Pitch Counter are responsible to stay neutral throughout the game and may not cheer for or coach the players. The Scorekeeper and Pitch Counter will sit at the table behind home plate and may not sit in the stands. If a Scorekeeper or Pitch Counter is not provided by the start of the game, a Coach or Manager must come out of the dugout to take that position. That Coach may not be replaced in the dugout.

Managers, coaches, and other adults **MUST NOT** warm up a pitcher at home plate, in the bullpen, or elsewhere at any time. This applies to all divisions!