



# AJAA Little League Baseball



## Little League Rule Differences

### Gameplay Differences

- For our 11/12 year olds, Little League only sanctions a post season tournament for the 46' pitcher's mound and 60' bases. We will play under these rules beginning in 2011. With this change, leadoffs will no longer be allowed, nor will a batter be able to advance first base on a dropped third strike.

### Pitching & Catching Rule Differences

#### Pitch Counts

- Little League uses a pitch count to control the wear and tear on a pitcher's arm.

2011 LL Baseball Pitch Count Quick Guide						
<b>9 &amp; 10</b>	1 – 20	21 – 35	36 – 50	51 – 65	66 – 75	75*
<b>11 &amp; 12</b>	1 – 20	21 – 35	36 – 50	51 – 65	66 – 85	85*
<b>13 &amp; 14</b>	1 – 20	21 – 35	36 – 50	51 – 65	66 – 95	95*
<b>15 &amp; 16</b>	1 - 30	31 – 45	46 – 60	61 – 75	76 - 95	95*
<b>17 &amp; 18</b>	1 - 30	31 – 45	46 – 60	61 – 75	76 - 105	105*
<b>Required Days Rest</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Max*</b>

\*When max reached, the pitcher can finish the current at bat.

- During the regular season, the head coach will be responsible for managing pitch counts and ensuring pitchers have the required amounts of rest between pitching appearances.
- During the post-season tournament, a log will be kept in the concession stand. Head coaches of the winning team will be required to record the pitcher and pitches thrown for each game.

#### Removing a pitcher from the pitcher's mound

- 9 thru 12 year olds - A pitcher once removed from the mound, cannot return as a pitcher.
- 13 thru 18 year olds – 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.



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### Game Limitations

- 9 thru 12 year olds – A player may not be used as a pitcher in more than one game per day
- 13 thru 16 year olds – A player may be used as a pitcher in up to two games per day (**Exception:** If the pitcher pitched 31 or more pitches, he may not pitch in a second game on that day)
- 17 thru 18 year olds – A player may be used as a pitcher in up to two games in a day.

### Catching Limitations

- A player, who has played the position of catcher in four or more innings in a game, is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.
- A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game CANNOT play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.

### Catching Safety

- A catcher's face mask must have a "dangling" style throat protector, even on a hockey style mask

### Hitting Differences

- On-deck batters are not allowed (this rule applies to ages 12 and under).
- Traditional batting donuts are NOT allowed.

### Baserunning Differences

- Little League requires "breakaway" bases. Breakaway bases are bases that will dislodge from their post when enough sliding force is applied. This protects that slider's ankles and knees when sliding.

### Who can I contact with more questions?

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