**Scorekeeper’s Guide 2023**

Scoring a game:

\*Get opposing team’s batting lineup *with* jersey numbers.

\*Record the game’s start time (time first pitch is thrown.) \*Track pitch counts, runs, outs, batters, for both teams.

\*Home team is “official book”, but both teams should keep score each game and compare scorebooks.

\*Please work in a friendly spirit of **cooperation and goodwill** with other teams and their scorekeepers.

Pitch Counts and Days of Rest:

\*A “day of rest” = one complete day without pitching

| **Pitches pitched in a day** | **Required days of rest** |
| --- | --- |
| 66+ | 4 |
| 51-65 | 3 |
| 36-50 | 2 |
| 21-35 | 1 |
| 1-20 | 0 |

\*see Little League rulebook or littleleague.org for additional info.

**Max Daily Pitches for 7-8 year olds= 50**

**Max Daily Pitches for 9-10 year olds= 75**

**Max Daily Pitches for 11-12 year olds= 85**

IMPORTANT exception to pitch counts:

\*A pitcher may finish a batter if he begins pitching to that batter *before* reaching the daily rest threshold. Pitch counts are *designed* to allow for this. See rulebook.

Example: a pitcher begins pitching to a batter at 34 pitches and it takes him 6 pitches to finish the batter, putting his total pitch count at 40 pitches. He *still* qualifies to pitch again after 1 day of rest. The CRITICAL pitch count number to note is the pitcher’s number of pitches when he *started* his last batter.

**Ammon League Pitching Bylaws**

Minors: a 9-year-old or younger pitcher must pitch a minimum of 6 batters *or* 3 outs per game.

\*An 11-year-old in minors is restricted to pitching a *maximum* of 6 batters or 3 outs per game, whichever comes first. 12-year-olds cannot pitch in minors.

Majors: an 11-year-old or younger pitcher must pitch a minimum of 6 batters or 3 outs per game.

\*Pitching bylaws are based on a player’s natural age the day he pitches. (See pitching age roster in scorebook.)

\*Pitch count warnings to the opposing team are a helpful courtesy that reduces conflicts in the league but are not required.