

## WB Little League – Minors 7/8 Minors Division – Special Rules

At ball four thrown by player, offensive coach comes into pitch. The Pitch count re-sets to 0-0 and the batter sees a maximum of 4 pitches regardless of the umpire calling strikes or ball. If the 4<sup>th</sup> pitch is fouled off, the batter gets only 1 additional pitch. After that pitch the batter is out; regardless of the outcome of the 5<sup>th</sup> pitch (strike, ball foul, etc...) Next batter is up.

The offensive coach MUST PITCH AS CLOSE TO THE RUBBER AS POSSIBALE ON A KNEE OR SITITNG ON A BUCKET.

- Pitching Distance for Player pitch is – 46 Feet

Bat Information –

All Bats Must Have the USA Logo and the barrel no larger than 2 5/8

Player pitch count and threshold:

### **50 PITCHES PER DAY MAXIMUM pitch count in this division**

- The Coach must remove the pitcher when said pitcher reaches the limit of 50 Pitches, Pitcher may remain in the game at another position Exception: If a pitcher reaches the 50-pitch limit while facing a batter, the pitcher may continue to pitch until that batter reaches base or is put out. Rest rules still apply. Pitcher Rest Rules –

See Separate Pitch Threshold Rules Pitchers league age 16 and under must adhere to the following requirements:

- If a player pitches over 50 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed (only if the pitcher reaches 50 pitches and is still facing a batter)
- If a player pitches 36 to 50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- If a player pitches 21 to 35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- If a player pitches 1 to 20 pitches in a day, no rest is required.
- A pitcher who has pitched 41 or more pitches in a day cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.
- A player who has played in the position of catcher for four (4) or more innings that player cannot pitch for the remainder of that day.
- One (1) pitch constitutes an inning. Each team must carry a pitch counter to every game and supply an adult to record the pitch count. A manager or coach shall confirm the number of pitches thrown at the completion of every ½ inning. It is the responsibility of the Managers to record all pitch counts for their team and register them online within 24 hours of game completion.

NO Leading or stealing.

5 Runs per inning maximum, no mercy rule

NO advancing on a wild pitch

1 base advancement on overthrow to first, all other overthrows are errors, play is live

Play is DEAD when the pitcher has the ball and, on the mound, and asks for time out and its granted by the umpire.

Please keep in mind this is an instructional year for these players.