

NMAA Pitching Regulations – State Tournament



Bylaw 7.12.1.D

1. At the varsity level, a pitcher may throw 120 pitches in any one day. At the sub-varsity level, a pitcher may throw 105 pitches in any one day. The pitcher will be allowed to finish a batter if they hit the maximum limit (120 in varsity, 105 in sub-varsity) during an at-bat, but must exit the game after the batter.

Note – Once a player exceeds the maximum daily pitch count threshold, that player is considered ineligible to pitch, and if used as pitcher once ineligible, the game must be forfeited by the team in violation of these regulations. The school and/or head coach will also be subject to additional sanctions as determined by the Executive Director.

2. Coaches must post the pitch counts for all players from each game to MaxPreps, along with results, within 24 hours. (Coaches are responsible for players from their own team)

Note – Failure to post pitch count numbers to MaxPreps within 24 hours will result in fines and/or other sanctions assessed to the school as determined by the Executive Director.

3. Required Rest Periods (varsity & sub-varsity)

Pitches	Required Rest
91+	4 Calendar Days
61-90	3 Calendar Days
41-60	1 Calendar Day
0-40	0 Calendar Days

Calendar day = If a pitcher throws 85 pitches on Tuesday, that player cannot pitch again until Saturday (3 required calendar days of rest).

Note – If a player pitches on consecutive days and accumulates more than 60 pitches total during those two days, the cumulative pitch count must be used to calculate the required rest period. If a player pitches on two consecutive days and is eligible to pitch a third consecutive day, the maximum number of pitches allowed on day three will be 60. The pitcher will be allowed to finish a batter if they hit this maximum limit during an at bat, but must exit the game after the batter.

**If a player pitches on three consecutive days, the cumulative pitch count from those three days must be used to calculate the required rest period after day 3. (i.e. Example = Pitcher A throws 25 pitches on Thursday, 27 pitches on Friday, and 35 pitches on Saturday, which is 87 pitches cumulatively – required rest after day three would be 3 calendar days.*

State Tournament Pitch Count Tracking

Coaches are still responsible for the tracking & posting of pitch counts for each player that pitches during state tournament contests. For the quarterfinal-final round match-ups, the NMAA's official scorer will also keep track of this information. The Site Manager representing the NMAA will work with the coaching staffs and official scorer during & after each contest to ensure accurate pitch counts are recorded for each player. The Site Manager will check in with a member of the coaching staff after the 4th & 7th innings to confirm this information (plus after each "extra inning" if games go past 7, and after the final inning should a game end early due to the 10-run rule). If coaches have questions about the pitch count at any other point throughout the game, they should contact the Site Manager who can then visit with the official scorer. Note that although tournament staff will work with the coaches throughout each contest, the final count used for each player will be that tracked by the official scorer.