

2023 LEGION A STATE RULES

Will use developments season rules for all games with additional stipulations listed:

RULES

- + DH for PO; HS Re-entry, courtesy runners allowed
- + Teams must start with 9 players but may finish with 8 players if circumstances arise. Each time the 9th spot comes to the plate it is recorded as an out
- + Games are 7 innings or 2-HR, 15-MIN time limit
- + 10-run rule after 5 innings
- + Sit in any dugout, coin flip for home team in each game
- + Home team is official scorer and pitch count.
- + If tied after time limit at the bottom of an inning *one* additional inning will be played using the international tiebreaker, last player out
- + Please read pitch count rules to include 2 appearances in 3 days in a room. An appearance in each game of a doubleheader is *two* appearances.

TIEBREAKERS

- If two teams are tied,
 - Clear cut head-to-head vs other tied team
- If three or more teams are tied
 1. Clear cut head-to-head vs ALL tied teams
 2. Fewest runs allowed between tied teams
 3. Fewest runs allowed in overall games in pool.
 4. Series of coin flips to identify just one team to advance

AMERICAN LEGION PITCH COUNT

NOTES: The following pitch count rules are based on the 2023 American Legion National Rule Book.

NUMBER OF PITCHES PER DAY	DAYS OF REST REQUIRED	DAILY LIMITATION
1-30	0 DAYS	The maximum number of pitches in a day is 105. Specific rest periods are in place when a pitcher reaches a threshold of pitches thrown in a day. The rest periods REQUIRED during the regular and postseason are as listed.
31-45	1 DAY	
46-60	2 DAYS	
61-80	3 DAYS	
81-105	4 DAYS	
DAILY MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PITCHES IS 105 - (LEGION AA AND A)		
NOTE: All games in Alaska are ALB Senior Games and follow ALB Senior Rules		

AMERICAN LEGION PITCHING RULE 1.R

- No player may enter the game as a pitcher unless having fulfilled the required rest days as mandated by the chart above.
- No player may pitch more than a total of 105 pitches per day.
 - A pitcher will be allowed to finish a batter if he reaches or exceeds the maximum limit during an at-bat, but must exit the position after the hitter.
- No player may make more than two appearances as a pitcher during any consecutive three-day (3) period. A pitcher that is pulled and returns to pitch in the same game will be charged with an additional appearance.
- **example a:**
 - Day 1: Pitcher A makes an appearance under 30 pitches
 - Day 2: Pitcher A makes an appearance under 30 pitches
 - Day 3: Pitcher A CAN NOT PITCH DUE TO 2 APPEARANCES IN 3 DAYS
 - Day 4: Pitcher A can pitch again
- **example b:**
 - Day 1, Game 1: Pitcher B makes an appearance and throws 15 pitches
 - Day 1, Game 2: Pitcher B makes an appearance and throws 15 pitches
 - Day 2: Pitcher B CAN NOT PITCH DUE TO 2 APPEARANCES IN 3 DAYS
 - Day 3: Pitcher B CAN NOT PITCH DUE TO 2 APPEARANCES IN 3 DAYS
 - Day 4: Pitcher B can pitch again
- **penalty for the breaking the above rules** – The pitcher and team manager shall be ejected from the game if a protest is filed with the umpire-in-chief before the last out of the game.
- **notes:**
 - Required rest is determined by pitches thrown per day not per appearance. Two appearances in one day will require pitches from both appearances to be totaled to calculate required rest.
 - When no official scorebook is kept, the home scorebook (home team, not necessarily home field) will be the official recording for pitch counts.
 - If home team fails to keep a pitch count the visitor pitch count will be used.

AMERICAN LEGION PITCHING RULE 1.R.1

- A pitcher must be removed from the position when a coach makes a second trip to the mound in the same inning, and that player cannot return as a pitcher in that game.
- **penalty for the breaking rule 1.r.1** - Forfeiture of the game if a protest is filed with the umpire-in-chief before the last out of the game.

ALASKA LEGION PROTEST PROCEDURE RULE 5.A

- All protests regarding pitchers and pitch counts must be filed with the umpire before the last out of the game.
- Procedure after protest is filed with umpire.
 - Protest must be filed in writing by the team manager listed on the national online registration.

ALASKA LEGION EJECTION RULE 7.E

- Any player, coach, manager, or fan ejected by an umpire must leave the ballpark. Failure to leave ballpark will result in immediate forfeit. In the event of a coach or player not leaving the ballpark, the Post Manager will face sanctions determined by the Dept. Baseball Chair.
- Ejections from the regular season will carry into the tournament.
- Penalties for ejections in the State of Alaska cover players as well as coaches.
 - **first offense:** A two game suspension, the balance of the current game being played plus the next two regularly scheduled games of the level they are rostered on.
 - **second offense:** The offender must seek out the League Director, Department Chairman, or his representative to be re-instated.
 - **offenses in excess of two:** That player or coach must appear before the Department Baseball Chairman and or the Department Baseball Committee. A determination shall be made at that time if that individual is to be re-instated or ejected from the American Legion baseball program. All ejections must be reported in writing, by the umpire making the ejection, to the Department Baseball Chairman.