

Rule Clarifications/Changes for 2017 season

****May 25, 2016**** *In Boys 8U Coach Pitch and Girls 8U Coach Pitch, the defensive player listed as pitcher shall be at a distance, no further than four (4) feet, beside or behind the pitching rubber until the ball has been hit. In Boys 8U Machine Pitch and Girls 8U Machine Pitch, the defensive player listed as pitcher shall be at a distance, no further than four (4) feet, beside or behind the pitching rubber until the ball leaves the machine.*

Baseball bats diameters

For the 2017 season there is no limitation on length or diameter of the bat. BBCOR bats are allowed in all age groups. All other non-wood bats must be stamped BPF 1.15 or less. BBCOR bats are required in High School Eligible.

Mercy Rule

On "Length Of Game", a Mercy Rule has been added to the existing rules. It is as follows:

For 6 inning games: A run lead of Fifteen (15) after 2 ½ or 3 innings or Ten (10) after 3 ½ or 4 innings will be considered a complete game.

and

For 7 inning games: A run lead of Fifteen (15) after 3½ or 4 innings or Ten (10) after 4 ½ or 5 innings will be considered a complete game.

Pitch Count for Baseball

TTA will have a pitch count for Baseball beginning in the 2017 season. See attachment.

Baseball Age Date change update

In an attempt to make all boys baseball divisions "Age as Of" August 31 of the current year and with minimal effect on players that are playing under our current "Age as Of" April 30 of current year date, the implementation of the age date change is as follows:

Beginning with the 2017 TTA season the Boys 6U T-Ball leagues "Age as Of" will be August 31 of current year. Following the next ten years each league will be changed until all boys baseball leagues "Age as Of" will be August 31 of current year. Leagues will be changed every two years with the exception of Boys 9U & Boys15U baseball and they will be changed on at one year. By 2026 all boys baseball leagues "Age as Of" will be August 31 of current year.

	Boys T-ball		Add: Boys 8u - add 9u-2020		Add: Boys 10u (tight& open)		Add: Boys 12u (tight & open)		Add: Boys 14u - add 15u - 2026	
TTA Age's by Leagues beginning 2017	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Boys League/ages	Eligibility Age	Eligibility Age	Eligibility Age	Eligibility Age	Eligibility Age	Eligibility Age	Eligibility Age	Eligibility Age	Eligibility Age	Eligibility Age
Boys T-ball	8/31/2017	8/31/2018	8/31/2019	8/31/2020	8/31/2021	8/31/2022	8/31/2023	8/31/2024	8/31/2025	8/31/2026
Boys 8u (MP/CP)	4/30/2017	4/30/2018	8/31/2019	8/31/2020	8/31/2021	8/31/2022	8/31/2023	8/31/2024	8/31/2025	8/31/2026
Boys 9u	4/30/2017	4/30/2018	4/30/2019	8/31/2020	8/31/2021	8/31/2022	8/31/2023	8/31/2024	8/31/2025	8/31/2026
Boys 10u (tight & open bases)	4/30/2017	4/30/2018	4/30/2019	4/30/2020	8/31/2021	8/31/2022	8/31/2023	8/31/2024	8/31/2025	8/31/2026
Boys 12u (tight & open bases)	4/30/2017	4/30/2018	4/30/2019	4/30/2020	4/30/2021	4/30/2022	8/31/2023	8/31/2024	8/31/2025	8/31/2026
Boys 14u	4/30/2017	4/30/2018	4/30/2019	4/30/2020	4/30/2021	4/30/2022	4/30/2023	4/30/2024	8/31/2025	8/31/2026
Boys 15u	4/30/2017	4/30/2018	4/30/2019	4/30/2020	4/30/2021	4/30/2022	4/30/2023	4/30/2024	4/30/2025	8/31/2026

2017 TTA Baseball Age Chart

Between	End Date	League AGE
September 1, 2012	August 31, 2013	4
September 1, 2011	August 31, 2012	5
September 1, 2010	August 31, 2011	6
May 1, 2010	August 31, 2010	6 **MUST PLAY IN 8U DIVISION**
May 1, 2009	April 30, 2010	7
May 1, 2008	April 30, 2009	8
May 1, 2007	April 30, 2008	9
May 1, 2006	April 30, 2007	10
May 1, 2005	April 30, 2006	11
May 1, 2004	April 30, 2005	12
May 1, 2003	April 30, 2004	13
May 1, 2002	April 30, 2003	14
May 1, 2001	April 30, 2002	15

2017 Baseball Age Divisions with Maximum Ages

Division	Between	End Date	Max. League Age
Boys 6U T-Ball	September 1, 2010	August 31, 2011	6
Boys 8U Machine & Coach Pitch	May 1, 2008	April 30, 2009	8
Boys 9U	May 1, 2007	April 30, 2008	9
Boys 10U / Tight and Open	May 1, 2006	April 30, 2007	10
Boys 12U / Tight and Open	May 1, 2004	April 30, 2005	12
Boys 14U	May 1, 2002	April 30, 2003	14
Boys 15U	May 1, 2001	April 30, 2002	15

*High School Eligible age requirements are they have one year eligibility remaining in High School.

2017 TTA Softball Age Chart

Between	End Date	League AGE
January 1, 2012	December 31, 2012	4
January 1, 2011	December 31, 2011	5
January 1, 2010	December 31, 2010	6
January 1, 2009	December 31, 2009	7
January 1, 2008	December 31, 2008	8
January 1, 2007	December 31, 2007	9
January 1, 2006	December 31, 2006	10
January 1, 2005	December 31, 2005	11
January 1, 2004	December 31, 2004	12
January 1, 2003	December 31, 2003	13
January 1, 2002	December 31, 2002	14
January 1, 2001	December 31, 2001	15

2017 Softball Age Divisions with Maximum Ages

Division	Between	End Date	Max. League Age
Girls 6U T-Ball	January 1, 2010	December 31, 2010	6
Girls 8U Coach & Machine Pitch	January 1, 2008	December 31, 2008	8
Girls 10U	January 1, 2006	December 31, 2006	10
Girls 12U	January 1, 2004	December 31, 2004	12
Girls 15U	January 1, 2001	December 31, 2001	15

*High School Eligible age requirements are they have one year eligibility remaining in High School.

TTA Baseball Pitch Count Limitations

9 & Under, 10 & Under

At a League Age 10 and Under pitcher shall not throw more than 75 pitches in the same game or on the same day. Exception: If the pitcher reaches the maximum pitch count limit while facing a batter, he may continue to pitch until the batter reaches base safely or is put out.

- a) If a pitcher throws 1 – 30 pitches he is not required any rest.
- b) If a pitcher throws 31 – 45 pitches he is required one day of rest
- c) If a pitcher throws 46 – 60 pitches he is required two days of rest
- d) If a pitcher throws 61+ pitches he is required three days of rest.

If a pitcher throws 30 or more pitches in one inning he must be removed from the mound and is done for the day. (Pitcher may finish the batter)

A pitcher shall be allowed to pitch in two or more games on the same day (example: tournament games) provided he does not throw more than 40 pitches **in any game** or more than 75 pitches total.

Violation of any of these pitching rules will result in forfeiture of the game.

The pitch count will be kept by the official scorekeeper. The coach will get the pitch count from the scorekeeper at the end of each half inning. Scorekeeper will not be bothered during the inning.

If a game is suspended by darkness, weather or other causes and resumed the following calendar day, the pitcher of record at the time the game was halted may continue to the extent of his eligibility, provided he has thrown 30 pitches or less

Days of rest shall be calendar days.

12 & Under

At a League Age 12 and Under pitcher shall not throw more than 85 pitches in the same game or on the same day. Exception: If the pitcher reaches the maximum pitch count limit while facing a batter, he may continue to pitch until the batter reaches base safely or is put out.

- a) If a pitcher throws 1 – 30 pitches he is not required any rest.
- b) If a pitcher throws 31 – 45 pitches he is required one day of rest
- c) If a pitcher throws 46 – 60 pitches he is required two days of rest
- d) If a pitcher throws 61+ pitches he is required three days of rest.

If a pitcher throws 30 or more pitches in one inning he must be removed from the mound and is done for the day. (Pitcher may finish the batter)

A pitcher shall be allowed to pitch in two or more games on the same day (example: tournament games) provided he does not throw more than 50 pitches **in any game** or more than 85 pitches total.

Violation of any of these pitching rules will result in forfeiture of the game.

The pitch count will be kept by the official scorekeeper. The coach will get the pitch count from the scorekeeper at the end of each half inning. Scorekeeper will not be bothered during the inning.

If a game is suspended by darkness, weather or other causes and resumed the following calendar day, the pitcher of record at the time the game was halted may continue to the extent of his eligibility, provided he has thrown 30 pitches or less.

Days of rest shall be calendar days.

14 & Under, 15 & Under and HSE Boys

Will play by NFHS rules (High School Rules)

Days of rest shall be calendar days.

Official TTA Baseball Pitch Count Record

Date: _____

Team: _____

Game # _____

Inning Pitched

Pitcher's Name & No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total Pitches Thrown

Coach's Signature: _____

Team: _____

Game # _____

Inning Pitched

Pitcher's Name & No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total Pitches Thrown

Coach's Signature: _____

14 & Under, 15 & Under and HSE Boys

Will play by NFHS rules (High School Rules)

The pitch count regulations state that all high school players -- no matter their age -- will be limited to 110 pitches in a game. ~~A player would also be limited to a total of 110 pitches total in a postseason series. If a game is postponed in such a way that a team must play back to back games, those games will be considered a series.~~

A pitcher shall be allowed to pitch in two or more games on the same day (example: tournament games) provided he does not throw more than 70 pitches in any game or more than 110 pitches total.

If the limit comes in the middle of an at bat, a pitcher can finish that at bat.

Players will be required to rest a certain amount of days based on the number of pitches they've thrown in a **day**.

High School Pitch Count (Grades 9 through 12):

0-30 pitches	0 days rest
31-45 pitches	1 day rest
46-65 pitches	2 days rest
66-85 pitches	3 days rest
86-110 pitches	4 days rest

Days of rest shall be calendar days.