



2019

## Compliance Protocol for AIA Policies/Procedures; Article 21.1.5 Arizona Pitch Smart Guideline Limits

The AIA Legislative Council, in 2016, approved AIA policy/procedure; article 21.1.5, which implemented a pitch count rule to be used at all levels of competition, including varsities, junior varsities and freshmen level teams in all six AIA conferences. See AIA bylaw; article 21.1.5 below:

AIA Policy/Procedure; Article 21.1.5

No pitcher shall exceed the daily maximum number of pitches per the **Arizona Pitch Smart Guidelines** limit and required rest recommendations. (**Emergency Legislation 12/5/16**)

YEAR	MAX PITCHES	REQUIRED REST BASED ON PITCHES THROWN				
		0 DAYS	1 DAY	2 DAYS	3 DAYS	4 DAYS
FRESHMAN	95	1-20	21-35	36-50	51-65	66+
SOPHOMORE	95	1-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76+
JUNIOR	105	1-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76+
SENIOR	105	1-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76+

In order to facilitate and provide the capability to monitor compliance to this bylaw, the following procedures are in place for all head baseball coaches of varsity, junior varsity or freshmen teams for all competition (invitational, regular season and state tournament games).

- Both teams competing in a baseball game will keep track of the number of pitches thrown by any and all pitchers in the contest.
  - They can utilize either the:
    - AIA Baseball Game Pitch Log (provided on the AIAonline.org Coach-Baseball Specific page)
      - Link: <http://aiaonline.org/sports/baseball>
    - GameChanger computer program
- **The head coach from each team will, following the completed game, provide the school's athletic director with the pitch count from the game.**
  - AIA Official Pitch Count document (provided on the AIAonline.org Coach-Baseball Specific page)
    - Link: <http://aiaonline.org/sports/baseball>

- **The school athletic director or designee must enter the pitch count from each individual game by 10:00 a.m. the day following the game. This includes the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team games.**
  - Utilize the instructions posted on AIAonline.org Coach Baseball specific page:
    - Link: <http://aiaonline.org/sports/baseball>
    - Instructions for AIA MaxPreps Roster and Stats
      - Link: <http://aiaonline.org/files/14596/aia-maxpreps-roster-and-stats-instructions.pdf>
    - Instructions for How to Enter Pitch Counts on MaxPreps (provided on the AIAonline.org Coach-Baseball Specific page)
      - Link: <http://aiaonline.org/sports/baseball>
- Coaches will be able to see the official pitch count records of opponents by logging into their MaxPreps account. If a coach sees a discrepancy on an opponent's pitch count report on MaxPreps, report the issue to your athletic director. The athletic director can contact the opposing school athletic director to resolve the discrepancy in the recorded pitch count.

**Summary - Coach Required Steps:**

- **Enter your roster on MaxPreps (all team levels).**
- **Count pitches thrown by pitchers of both teams (may use either AIA Pitch Log form or GameChanger).**
- **Complete AIA Official Pitch Count Document (or electronic version) at game conclusion and provide to your school athletic director.**
- **The school athletic director or designee enters the pitch counts for any and all levels on MaxPreps by 10:00 a.m. the day following the game.**

**Consequences for not following AIA Pitch Count Tracking Procedures**

As with all other non-compliance with AIA bylaws and bylaw related procedures, failure to comply, at any school baseball level, will subject your school's baseball team and/or school to the penalties as indicated by AIA bylaw; article 16.1 (Penalties).