

❖ Duties

- Home team provides Official Scorekeeper: records the game in the scorebook and maintains the official pitch count
- Visiting team provides Assistant Scorekeeper: assists in keeping the pitch count record
- Arrive at least 30 minutes before game time
- Obtain lineup cards from the Home and Visiting team managers
- Input starting lineups and pitchers into the scorebook and the pitch-count log
- **NO FIRST PITCH UNTIL YOU'RE READY!**

❖ During the game:

- Watch each play and record the results in the scorebook
- Keep an accurate count of all pitches thrown and record in the scorebook each half inning
 - You may wish to cross-check the pitch count each half inning with the visiting scorekeeper

❖ After the game:

- Record the pitch count totals for every pitcher on each team – write totals in scorebook and drop off pitch-count log in folder at either Chapman Park snack bar or Fullerton Sports Complex Snack Bar

❖ Important to Get Right!

- Pitch count: number of pitches delivered by each pitcher. Each inning and cumulatively.
- Each pitcher's league age.
- Substitutions: at the plate and in the field. Important to know at exactly what point a player entered / exited
- The score

❖ Some Do's and Don'ts

- Show up – early – let the Manager know you'll be unable to attend well in advance (day before?)
- **Always** try to bring illegal substitutions (pitcher/player) to the attention of head Umpire *before* the next pitch.
 - Not your responsibility to notice, but always try to prevent illegal subs
- Never identify “batting out of order” to the umpire or anyone. Responsibility of the managers.
- If you need a moment for clarification, ask the umpire between innings, or if absolutely need to, ask the ump for time between batters. Never interrupt live play.

❖ Pitch Count Administration

- Each pitch delivered to a batter shall be counted
- The total pitches for each pitcher must be entered in the scorebook: and at the end of the game.
- Official Scorekeeper's pitch count record is official and final.
 - It doesn't matter if a manager's, coach's or parent's totals are different than yours!
 - Do not get caught up in comparing whose record is right. The Official Scorekeeper's record is right!
- Official Scorekeeper may or may not decide to use the count cross-checks provided by the Visiting Scorekeeper.

