

2017 495 League - Play Off Rule Notes

Rule Notes: While it is expected that all managers and coaches know all of the league rules, there are a few we would like to highlight before the playoffs begin.

Pitching rule reminders:

- Pitching will follow regular season rules. A player is allowed to pitch up to 7 innings in 2 consecutive games (not days)
- Pitching rules are continuous with the regular season. So for example, if John Smith pitched 3 innings in your last game (no matter when it was) he is only available for 4 innings maximum, in the next game.
- The winning coach is responsible for entering scores and submitting pitcher reports after each game. When entering the score of the game, you can simply include the last name (and first initial if necessary) and the number of innings pitched in the “event write up” section of the results page. (Example, J. Smith 3, T. Adamson 4) [See attachment](#)

Rosters:

- Teams must dress their entire roster for the playoffs unless a player must miss the game for personal or health reasons. In other words, if you had 15 players on your roster, you cannot "choose" which kids play in the playoffs.
- There are no call ups or call overs allowed for the playoffs, you must only play the kids on your team roster.

Article D, section VII: All players must play three (3) or more innings in the field in the first six (6) innings.

Article D, section X: A game can start with eight (8) players and end with seven (7) players. Any number less is a forfeit. (No call overs or call ups for the play-offs)

Article D, XVI: The Pitcher

- a. One (1) pitch to a batter is considered one (1) inning pitched.
- b. No pitcher will be allowed to pitch more than seven (7) innings in any two consecutive team games. A pitcher who pitches in two games in the same day will require a full games rest before that pitcher is eligible to pitch again, even if the pitcher did not complete (7) innings pitched between the two games. Violations of any part of this rule are a forfeit.
- c. A pitcher must pitch until one (1) at bat is completed before being removed, except in cases of injury, then he/she must be removed for the remainder of the game as a pitcher.
- d. A pitcher must be removed from the mound upon the second visit to the mound by a Manager/Coach in the same inning. This is known as “removed by rule”.
- e. A pitcher who is removed from the mound for any reason may not re-enter as a

pitcher for the remainder of the game.

Article E, I: Players

- a. Each player must participate in a minimum of 50% (rounded down) of the regularly scheduled games that are played and play at least three (3) innings per game to qualify for the playoffs. Participation in High School games count towards the 50% participation rule if played on the same date.
- b. Games missed due to injury will not be included in the minimum 50% rule.
- c. Only players listed on official team roster are eligible for playoff games.
- d. The Scorebook MUST detail players attendance, or lack thereof, for every game and whether the absence is a recognized excused or not. If an absence is not documented, it is not excused if the book is examined for playoff eligibility.