

Idaho District 2 Pitch Count Policy

Official scorekeeper will keep track of the pitch count using the Game Pitch Count Log approved by District 2. The Game Pitch Count Log can be downloaded from the District 2 umpire web site.

The manager is responsible if a pitcher goes over their limit. Violation of this rule is protestable in accordance with rule 4.19.

If the scorekeeper loses track, the game UIC will get both teams together and decide what number to use. The game UIC will have the final determination

If there is a discrepancy between the official scorekeeper's count and the manager's the game UIC will go by the official scorekeeper's count unless they admit that they may be in error. To keep errors from happening the first thing a scorekeeper should do at each pitch is record the pitch before recording what happened on the play.

At the end of each inning the managers or their representatives will come to the scorekeeper with the UIC to find out the pitch counts. If at any time a manager wants to know the pitch count he may ask for time from the umpires and go to the scorekeeper with the umpire to get that information and how many more pitches are allowed. This will keep the controversies to a minimum.

When the pitcher has reached his limit the scorekeeper will inform the UIC and a change will be made according to the rules. The scorekeeper should inform the UIC when the pitcher is getting close to his limit so there are no surprises.

When the game is over the scorekeeper will record the number of pitches for each pitcher in the official scorebook. He/she will also record the number of pitches on the pitching affidavit approved by District 2. The scorekeeper will fill in the "eligible to pitch on date". Both scorekeeper and UIC will sign the affidavit. All entries and signatures on the pitching affidavit will be in ink.

The managers shall supply their affidavits to the official scorekeeper prior to the beginning of the game, or as required by inter-league rules, but no later than the first pitch of the third inning. A manager may request to see the other team's affidavit before the game starts (or by the required time), and may (through the UIC) request to see how many pitches a player of either team has left during a game. If an affidavit is not done in ink it will be the same as not having an affidavit. If a team does not have an affidavit available by the stated time the game will not be played (unless they can prove the pitch count numbers by providing the official scorebook from the last game and it has the pitch count recorded in ink). The board of directors, or District ADA if an inter-league game, will decide when or if to reschedule the game. This is never a forfeit by the UIC; the game is just not played. The board and/or the ADA should not forfeit the game unless there is compelling evidence to justify this action, but will simply call it a no game if there is no way to replay the game.

If the rule is broken the manager will be ejected from that game and the next, and if found to be intentional penalties will be at the discretion of the board, or District ADA in the case of inter-league play.