

**OK
Kids**



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Attention: Prep Coaches

Listed below are some rule clarifications. National Federation high school rules and Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association rules will be followed during State Tournament play.

The pitching rule is as follows and can be found on Page 17, Rule 5 in the OK Kids rule book: A pitcher may pitch a full game of any length in a day. If he pitches less than six innings in a game, he may pitch in a second game that day, but he may not pitch more than a total of ten innings in the two games. (NOTE: A pitcher who pitches five innings in the first game and makes an appearance in the second game the same day shall not be eligible the next day.) An appearance during an inning shall count as a full inning. The pitcher taking the mound and the ball becoming live constitutes an appearance. A player who has pitched six innings or more in a day shall not be used as a pitcher the following day. A player who has pitched five (5) innings or less in a day is eligible to pitch the next day, with the same restrictions as a player who had not pitched. (Example: In a doubleheader, a pitcher may go 1-9, 2-8, 3-7, 4-6, 5-5, but cannot go 6-4, 7-3, 8-2, 9-1, in the same day.)

Defensive conferences are found in National Federation Rule 3-4: A team is allowed three “free” visits to the mound in a seven inning game without having to remove the pitcher. If the pitcher is removed it does not count as one of the three “free” visits. In extra innings, a team is allowed one “free” visit per inning.

Offensive conferences are also found in National Federation Rule 3-4: It allows one offensive conference per inning.

Protests During Tournament Play: Protests during the game will be handled by a Protest Committee that generally includes the Tournament Director as Chairperson. Should you as manager or head coach contemplate a protest of a violation of playing rules on the field of play you must notify the home plate umpire immediately of your desire at the time of the play. The home plate umpire will stop the game and refer the protest to the Tournament Director. The Protest Committee will then issue its decision concerning the protest. Play will then continue unless the ruling terminates the game. There will be no protests allowed on judgment calls, nor will any be recognized if one pitch has occurred or a runner was retired following the play being protested. Exception: An ineligible pitcher or player will be recognized at any time until the game ends. No protest of any kind will be allowed after a game ends.

If you have any questions contact your tournament director or me for clarification.

Sincerely,
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