

BY-LAW ARTICLE XIV

Baseball

Boys

Sect. 1: Baseball shall be administered by the NHIAA Baseball Committee and the rules of the National Federation will govern the sport when applicable.

Sect. 2: Results of games played in all Divisions I, II, III & IV must be posted on the NHIAA website immediately following the game.

Sect. 3: Approval of Schedules

All schedules must be submitted to the Executive Director on or before the deadline date of March 6th of each year.

Sect. 4: NOCSAE approved equipment must be used in all NHIAA contests.

Sect. 5: Tournament Rosters

All tournament teams will be limited to a maximum of 23 individuals, with no more than 18 of them being players in uniform. The remainder of the roster will include one (1) head coach, two (2) assistant coaches, and two (2) managers. Rosters shall be completed via the NHIAA website. If a team is going to make the tournament, a team photo in uniform (no warm-ups and no mascots allowed) must be submitted with a photo lineup. If no photo is received a logo will be supplemented.

Sect. 6: Tournament Selection

The maximum number of teams allowed per By-Law Article IV: Classification; Sect. 10: Tournament Selection Requirements will qualify for the tournament. (CM11.2017)

Sect. 7: Awards

Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to 23 team medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each division.

Sect. 8: NHIAA Pitching Limitation Rule (regular season and tournament)

NHIAA Pitching Limitation Rule (regular season and tournament) is based on the number of pitches thrown in a game. The pitch count is based on pitches thrown for strikes; balls; foul balls; and outs. Warm up pitches allowed before each inning or those warmups allowed by the umpire in case of injury or game delay do not count towards the total pitches thrown.

The number of pitches is based on the level of pitching. Specific rest periods are in place when a pitcher reaches a high threshold of pitches delivered in **a day**.

LEVEL	PITCHES ALLOWED PER DAY
Varsity	120
JV and Freshman	100

The rest periods required during the regular and tournament season are listed below:

Varsity/Junior Varsity/Freshman:

- If a pitcher throws 76 or more pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- If a pitcher throws 51-75 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- If a pitcher throws 26-50 pitches in a day one (1) calendar day of rest must be observed.
- If a pitcher throws 1-25 pitches in a day no calendar day of rest is required before pitching again.

A calendar day means that if a pitcher throws 76 pitches on Tuesday that player may not pitch again until Saturday. If they throw 76 pitches on Saturday that player may not pitch again until Wednesday. The starting time of the game does not matter in the calculation of when a pitcher is eligible to pitch again.

A pitcher at any level who reaches the pitch count limit in the middle of an at bat will be allowed to finish that hitter. This only applies to maximum limitations. i.e. Varsity 120, JV/Freshman 100.

NHIAA Pitching Limitation Procedures (regular season and tournament) **apply to varsity, junior varsity and freshman games:**

1. The pitch count chart is to be presented to the opposing coach BEFORE the game.
2. During the game pitch counts will be confirmed at the end of every half inning.
3. Pitch count discrepancy
 - Regular season and tournament games held at the home of the higher seed procedures
 - o Any pitch count discrepancy shall be worked out between the two coaches
 - o In the case that a discrepancy cannot be worked out, the pitch count noted in the home book will be the official pitch count
 - Tournament games held at neutral sites
 - o Any pitch count discrepancy shall be worked out between the two coaches
 - o If the discrepancy cannot be worked out between the coaches an appeal can be made to the tournament committee on site.
 - o The tournament committee shall resolve the discrepancy
 - o The decision of the tournament committee cannot be appealed.
4. At the game's conclusion, the NHIAA pitching form will be signed by the coaches or designated representative.
5. Schools (Coaches/A.D.) have the responsibility to maintain this pitching chart form. A hard copy must be available upon NHIAA request.

Sect. 9: Divisional Alignment

Baseball shall be aligned into four (4) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

2025-26 Baseball Divisional Alignment											
DIV. I (900+)			DIV. II (501-899)			DIV. III (281-500)			DIV. IV (1-280)		
22 Schools			19 Schools			22 Schools			22 Schools		
Pinkerton	3079		Oyster River	844		Monadnock	499		Newmarket	280	
Man. Central-West	1942		Merrimack Valley	763		Stevens	499		Franklin	272	
Nashua South	1704		Pembroke	756		Gilford	492		Mascenic	260	
Nashua North	1626		Hollis/Brookline	750		Fall Mountain	490		Farmington	233	
Concord	1464		Kingswood	746		Kearsarge	485		Epping	221	
Dover	1417		Kennett	707		Prospect Mountain	410		Profile	221	
Bedford	1404		Milford	698		Somersworth	406		Littleton	214	
Spaulding	1390		Souhegan	693		Winnisquam	403		Woodsville	212	
Exeter	1384		Hanover	689		Newfound	394		Portsmouth Christian	178	
Man. Memorial	1365		Coe-Brown	662		Hillsboro-Deering	382		Hinsdale	164	
Keene	1341		Con-Val	658		White Mountains	375		Nute	161	
Londonderry	1291		Plymouth	651		Conant	373		Gorham	141	
Merrimack	1102		John Stark	648		Belmont	360		Moultonborough	141	
Salem	1096		Lebanon	618		Campbell	356		Sunapee	132	
Winnacunnet	1073		Bow	611		Berlin	348		Wilton-Lyndeborough	131	
Goffstown	1043		Laconia	590		Raymond	343		Pittsburg-Cannan	129	
Alvirne	1025		Pelham	556		Mascoma	342		Groveton	119	
Portsmouth	1024		Sanborn	524		Hopkinton	300		Mnt Royal-Holy Family	115	
Windham	995		*St. Thomas Aquinas	354		Newport	292		Concord Christian	114	
Timberlane	986					Derryfield	291		Colebrook	112	
*Bishop Guertin	771					Inter-Lakes	285		Lisbon	81	
*Trinity	327					*Bishop Brady	261		Lin-Wood	77	
			*Petition								