

From: [WILLIAM CARTER](#)
To: [Nick Haluschak](#)
Subject: Re: Rule 309(f) - Warming up pitcher
Date: Thursday, May 24, 2012 8:11:57 AM

Nick,

There is no rule, nor has there ever been one, where an adult cannot play catch with a player. The only player an adult may not catch for is a pitcher when warming up on the mound or in the bull-pen.

Bill Carter

From: Nick Haluschak <nickdist4@comcast.net>
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Sent: Thu, May 24, 2012 8:02:21 AM
Subject: Rule 309(f) - Warming up pitcher

Bill, one of our umpires at a league brought this to my attention. The quoted text is from the 2012 RIM. I have always been taught that an adult playing catch with a player at a Little League activity was prohibited. This Instructor Comment says that playing catch is OK but pitcher warm-up is not. Please clarify.

“3.09(f) Managers and coaches shall not warm up pitchers.

INSTRUCTOR COMMENTS: Refer to rule 3.09 which states again that adults are not to warm up pitchers on the field, bullpen or elsewhere. We sometimes get mixed up with “adult warming up” a pitcher with playing catch with a player as warming up a player and it is two separate actions. One is allowed, the other is not, by rule, allowed.”

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