

Learning to Pitch: Coaching Tips

A good, strong throwing motion starts from the power position. In the power position, the player's body is properly in line and ready to make a throw.

Basic Pitching Mechanics

- The ball should be facing away from you.
- Your throwing arm should be directly behind you with your elbow slightly bent.
- Your glove arm should be a little bent and almost horizontal to the ground. You should be able to read a watch on your wrist.
- Your glove elbow is pointing toward the target.
- Your front foot is pointing towards the target.
- Your hips are timed with the throwing arm.
- Your trunk rotation creates the power.
- Follow through with your throwing arm and trunk.
- Lead to the plate with your front hip and heel.
- Your front knee should be pointed behind you on the wind-up.



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