

Operating Rules and Guidelines

1. The Association and all Leagues shall be governed by Baseball Alberta and the Canadian Federation of Amateur Baseball (CFAB) rules and regulations unless otherwise provided.
2. The fees will be assessed by the Board of Directors after the Treasurer has prepared a budget for the upcoming season.
3. Players may only register for one team.
4. Only players registered with BMBA may participate in evaluations, tryouts, practices, and scheduled league, tournament or exhibition games.
5. Team rosters in all Divisions must carry a minimum of 11 and a maximum of 18 players for the season unless prior permission has been received from their BMBA Division Director to carry fewer or greater than this number.
6. A final roster must be established by Baseball Alberta registration day. Prior to this date a player may be added or deleted.
7. A player must be waived in writing by the coach of higher level team in their area before they are eligible for the next lower level team.
8. Players registering with BMBA may be required to produce a birth certificate and/or proof of address which would accompany the registration form. After the Baseball Alberta registration day, only those players properly registered with BMBA and Baseball Alberta may participate in BMBA scheduled games and BMBA sanctioned tournament games.
9. Coaches shall not recruit. The use of out of zone players is also discouraged. The eligibility of players in dispute shall be determined prior to the Baseball Alberta registration day and by the BMBA Board of Directors.
10. All players must play within the division specified for their year of birth, except for the following exceptions:
 - (1) Players in their last year of Rookie may be allowed to move to the first year of Mosquito based on their skill level as determined during evaluations.
 - (2) Female players may, at the discretion of the Division Director, be allowed to play one year below their birth year, but may not play at a Competitive level. (I.E. a female player who would be first year PeeWee may play in the Mosquito Division, but only at the House level.)
 - (3) Any other exceptions to the above must be specifically approved by the BMBA Board of Directors.
11. BMBA shall advertise and receive applications for and select the coach for every team in every division.
12. Each team will consist of one coach, a minimum of one assistant coach and one manager. The manager shall be elected by the parents from the parent group.
13. Coaches must see that all players participate on an equitable basis.

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14. Practices after tryouts must be arranged by the coach.
15. A coach, assistant coach, manager, parent or player of a team shall not officiate in an Association game that is in the same Division and Level as their child, sibling or player's team except in the case of an emergency and with consent of both coaches or with .
16. Players must wear BMBA assigned uniforms for BMBA scheduled games.
17. Any player ejected from the game shall immediately move to an area designated by the umpire and shall not participate in any way in any subsequent part of the game. Any continued verbal admonishments by the player to umpires, coaches, players, etc. will result in automatic forfeiture.
18. Any player who is ejected from a game may be suspended, pending review of their case by the ejected player's Division Director, within 72 hours of their ejection. The player and the player's coach may be asked to appear before a committee to discuss the player's action.
19. A coach who is ejected will immediately leave the ball park area and may be suspended, pending review of their case by BMBA, within 72 hours of their ejection.
20. All protests must be submitted in writing to the President of BMBA within 48 hours of the action in question. The BMBA Protest Committee, which committee is to be formed by the President of BMBA, will make a ruling on all protests.
21. Coaches are responsible for the conduct of both players and fans. Harassment of opposition players or umpires will not be tolerated.
22. All teams shall account for all money used and spent on their team's behalf and submit a Financial Statement for their operation to the parents or guardians of their team by October 1st of the current year. A copy of such Statements must be provided to the BMBA Executive upon request.
23. The pitching rules of Baseball Alberta will apply.
24. Baseball Alberta substitution rules will apply.
25. The primary rule of BMBA is that all aspects of FAIR PLAY must be observed. Coaches shall endeavor to treat all members of their teams with fairness to ensure the development of players in the best spirit and traditions of baseball.
26. If a team does not have nine (9) or more players available for a league game, substitute players may be called up from a lower level of the same division or from a lower division to fill the roster.