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MESSAGE TO COACHES



Baseball Manitoba Coaches,

The baseball players Manitoba are producing are improving on an annual basis and this is a reflection of the coaching these athletes are receiving on an annual basis. The goal of the Coach Development Committee is to continue to improve the coaches that are currently registered with us and to recruit more coaches province-wide.

Coach training is integral to the development of our coaches and aligning the standards set by Baseball Canada and The Western Canada Baseball Associations with what our committee sees as important, is one of the main components of what we do as a committee. These standards have changed as the years have progressed and the way the coach committee enforces, for lack of a better word, has changed as well. This has included gentle reminders, to a fine, or outright deletion from the roster for the coaches that have not completed the required training. The process in which we check the coaches has also changed over the years, from using local coach checkers to the main office. Regardless of how the process is managed there are always pros and cons to how we ensure coaches get the proper training/certification.

In 2024, Baseball Manitoba saw a tremendous increase in coaches not having proper certification in the coaches that were checked, therefore the Coach Committee decided it was important that we tighten the restrictions, while keeping in mind that discretion is needed in life at times. Therefore, in 2025 we developed a process that has ensured all coaches participating in the Baseball Manitoba provincials of all levels and age groups will be properly certified. We also have a caveat that will allow coaches, on a one-time basis, to pay a levi, that is consistent with the costs of the training, which will allow them, based on the approval of their local league, to participate in the provincials without the proper certification. This caveat is only in effect for Coach Training certification and does not allow coaches to participate who have not completed the required Baseball Manitoba screening requirements. For more information on this, please email baseball.info@sportmanitoba.ca. Comments are often made that sports bureaucracy is making it difficult for a person to volunteer as a coach, but we need to remember that coach certification and screening processes are put in place to improve the quality of coaching and the safety of athletes in our sport.

We want to emphasize the importance of leagues in both the certification and recruitment process. Baseball Manitoba does what we can from macro perspective by dispersing information through a variety of techniques ie. emails, social media etc, but local leagues reinforcing the importance of and consequences for not having the proper certification is the most effective way for widespread compliance.

This could be in local coach meetings, league rules, and mandated certification for being involved in league provincial playdowns.

An example of coach recruitment/development is the [Apprentice Coach program](#). This has been mentioned in the past and we would really like to see local associations and leagues (AAA/AA) accessing the program as much as possible. The program has been in effect for multiple years and allows young players the opportunity to coach on a full or part-time basis without needing to commit to the coach clinics that are mandatory for regular coaches. This program works twofold, as the mentor coach is helping develop the young coach, while the young coach is bringing baseball knowledge to the team, as well as being a role model to the players. The program was developed by the Coach Committee a few years ago and is an outstanding program that you will not find anywhere else in the country.

The Coach Development committee is very proud of the quantity and quality of coaches being developed in our province on an annual basis. We saw further evidence of that this year with the amount of and high quality of people that applied to be on the staffs of our Provincial teams for 2026. These improvements to the coaching in our province would not be happening without the efforts of league executives across the province. On behalf of the Coach Development Committee, I would like to thank all of you for your efforts in providing the opportunity to kids to play baseball and for the support you have shown for Coach Development in our province.

Actively yours,

Paul Esteves
VP Coach Development

2026 REGISTRATION & ROSTER

For 2026 Baseball Manitoba is once again partnering with RAMP InterActive on a provincial registration system. Coaches should check with their clubs regarding participation in the RAMP system. All rosters must be created through RAMP. You should be getting instructions from your clubs/association on how this is done. All Coaches should be verifying your own roster in RAMP by the deadline date - May 15 - unless otherwise stated. Any changes or updates to rosters after that date must be made by Baseball Manitoba.

The Baseball Manitoba Rulebook is not included in the coach package. It can be found on our website:

baseballmanitoba.ca/content/baseball-manitoba-rulebook

The following can be found online:

- Official Rules of Baseball Canada
- The Official Rules of Baseball - Canadian Content
- Coach Drill Book/Practice Plans for 11U and 13U

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LONG-TERM ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT

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What is LTAD?

Human development from birth to adulthood is a continuous process. To understand the process better, experts divide human development into distinct stages with specific characteristics; these are called stages of development.

In Canada, sport and recreational research has identified seven stages of development, each with its own physical, mental, emotional and cognitive characteristics. This is our Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD) model, and it's the basis for the optimal training and competition kids need to enjoy sport the most and perform their best.

Why do we need the LTAD model?

Because participation in recreational sport and physical activity has been declining and physical education programs in schools are being marginalized.

Because NOT matching skills and activities to a stage of development has serious negative consequences, and Canadians and the Canadian sport system have been suffering from them for some time. To mention just a few of them:

- Children don't have fun;
- They develop bad habits because of the over-emphasis on winning;
- Their skill development is poor;
- They don't reach their optimal performance level;
- Many burn out and drop out of sport.

BASEBALL MANITOBA DAY

Sunday, June 7, 2026 Winnipeg Goldeyes vs Sioux City Explorers

Day to Include:

- Goldeyes to wear Baseball Manitoba uniforms
- As members of Baseball Manitoba, amateur teams are invited to help us celebrate another summer of exciting Goldeyes baseball.
- Group rates will be available.
- Baseball Manitoba will be having a contest to win free tickets and snack pack vouchers.
- For more information check the Baseball Manitoba website.

COACHES DVD LIBRARY

Baseball Manitoba has a selection of DVD's available at Coaching Manitoba, Sport for Life Centre, 145 Pacific Ave in Winnipeg. Contact Gena at 204-925-5692 or gena.cook@sportmanitoba.ca. Many great resources are available. Please check the website for a full list.



WINNIPEG GOLDEYES COACH SYMPOSIUM

Join us on Saturday, June 6, 2026 at Blue Cross Park. We will be hosting up to 50 coaches for a great day of baseball and coach education. Coaches will get to hear from Goldeyes Front Office and Coach Personnel and be introduced to learning opportunities throughout the day. Visit our website, or follow us on social media to stay updated on how you can register.



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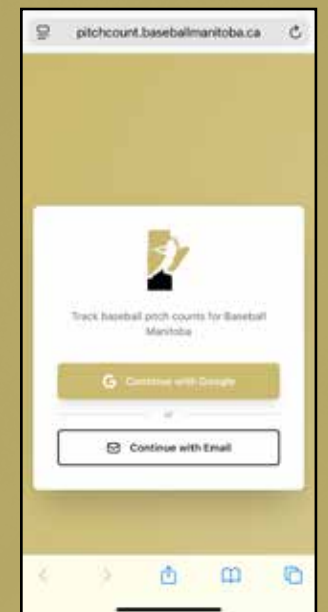


BASEBALL MANITOBA PITCH COUNT APP

The Baseball Manitoba Pitch Count app is a free tool for coaches. You can use this app to easily keep track of every pitch thrown in a game and view statistics from other Manitoba teams.

NEW - The App is now web-based and can be accessed through any web browser. Be sure to save it as a bookmark for easy access.

For coaches to access the app, you must be on an approved Baseball Manitoba roster, in RAMP, with a valid and unique email address. Two coaches cannot share the same email address in the system. Teams may still use pitch count booklets to track pitches, but all teams are now required to submit their pitch counts through the app. Please email baseball.info@sportmanitoba.ca for support.



MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (PD) POINTS

Maintenance of Certification is the NCCP policy that requires coaches to maintain their certification through Professional Development and training opportunities over a predetermined period.

The policy:

- Provides coaches with credit (PD Points) for attending Professional Development opportunities.
- Promotes upgrading and maintaining relevancy to coaching practices.

Professional Development requirements must be completed by the end of the period for which certification is valid. Certified coaches have a PD points tracking box on the status page of the www.nccp.baseball.ca online account.

PD REQUIREMENTS:

Community Sport Stream: N/A	Rally Cap, 9U, 11U, 13U, 15U, and 16+ (A/AA)
Competition Introduction: 5 Years / 20 PD Points	13U, 15U, and 16+ (AAA)
Competition Development: 5 Years / 30 PD Points	Canada Cup/Games

For more information check the website baseballmanitoba.ca/content/coaching-requirements or contact James at Baseball Manitoba: baseball.zamko@sportmanitoba.ca



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ANTI-RACISM IN SPORT

During the 2024 season, the Baseball Manitoba office staff collaborated with Anti-Racism in Sport to begin the creation of an Anti-Racism Strategic Plan. In late October 2024, we were joined by our Management Committee and several League Presidents for an Anti-Racism in Sport Session where we discussed the ongoing creation of this plan. This anti-racism plan supports Baseball Manitoba's strategic priorities to build organizational capacity, deliver quality programs, and foster a safe welcoming environment for everyone. By embedding anti-racism initiatives within these priorities, Baseball Manitoba aims to enhance inclusivity, equity, and respect across all levels of participation in the sport. Baseball Manitoba is currently in the process of creating a Anti-Racism in Sport Committee that will work on/ finalize this plan. Once it is completed, it will be available on www.baseballmanitoba.ca.

For more information regarding Baseball Manitoba's Anti-Racism Strategic Plan, please contact Haley Hayward at baseball.media@sportmanitoba.ca.

BASEBALL MANITOBA UMPIRES

To become a certified Umpire in Manitoba, you must be a minimum of 12 years of age at the time of taking a clinic.

To learn more about becoming a Baseball Manitoba umpire, please visit our website:

baseballmanitoba.ca/content/register-as-an-umpire

CONTINUED FOR 2026 - YELLOW WRISTBANDS: All 2026 registered umpires under 18 will receive a yellow wristband, which they are expected to wear while on the ball diamond. The purpose of this wristband is to let players, coaches, and parents know that these umpires are still in the learning stages of becoming an umpire. We kindly ask our community to be patient and supportive, as these umpires are working hard to gain experience. Remember, we couldn't play baseball without umpires—they help keep the game fair and fun for everyone!

ANTI-RACISM IN SPORT

Racism In Sport Spaces (Interpersonal Interactions)
Some of the ways Racism was experienced by participants included name calling, racial slurs, direct exclusion, microaggressions, and physical attacks by various stakeholders within the sport system.

The Impact of Racism
The Racism experienced by participants resulted in many dropping out of sport, reducing their exposure to sport spaces, and resulted in emotional and psychological harm.

Racism in Sport Systems
Participants highlighted the systemic nature of racism in sport including discrimination based by ethnocultural sport teams/groups, inefficient adjudication systems, and a range of barriers (e.g. targeted policies, lack of funding) to participation for First Nations, Métis Nations, Inuit, Racialized and religious minorities in sport.

Sport and Systemic Racism
Participants shared that the Racism they experienced in sport on Winnipeg, was a representation of their experiences within the wider society in Canada.

OUR RESEARCH FINDS

OUR RECOMMENDATIONS

- Education and Training**
Targeted, mandatory Anti-Racism training and education for all stakeholders in sport is a critical strategy for addressing Racism in sport going forward.
- Increasing Anti-Racism Awareness**
Greater awareness of anti-racism is needed in sport and we all must speak up when Racism takes place. Safe spaces must be created in sport for intercultural understanding, race-related discussions, and sharing stories of underrepresented populations at all levels of sport.
- Taking Action in Addressing Structural Barriers**
We challenge sport organizations to work with their community/partners to identify the barriers to participation facing First Nations, Métis Nations, Inuit, Racialized, and religious minorities in sport.

Anti-Racism in Sport Literacy
Adapted from the Physical Literacy Model www.sportforlife.ca/physical-literacy

- It is when you have the **motivation** to learn and to do the work
- It is when you build **anti-racism competence** for yourself, team, organization, league and stakeholders
- It is when you have the **confidence** to take action against Racism

SPORT IS NOT AN EQUAL PLAYING FIELD
WE NEED TO CHANGE THE GAME

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- 26.5% of Canadians identify as Racialized
- 22.2% of Manitobans identify as Racialized
- 34.4% Winnipeggers identify as Racialized

There are only **11 athletes** who identify as First Nations, Métis Nation, or Inuit out of the **665 total athletes** featured in Canada's Sports Hall of Fame (as of 2019).
Deer, K. (2019, May 30).

Out of 56 Canadian universities, **only one has a non-white athletic director.**
Heroux, D., & Strashin, J. (2020, June 15). Sidelined: How diversity in Canada's sports leadership falls short. CBC Canada.

Out of 400 athletic leadership positions at 56 Canadian universities, **only 10% are held by a person who identifies as First Nations, Inuit or Métis, Black or part of a Racialized community.**
Heroux, D., & Strashin, J. (2020, June 15). Sidelined: How diversity in Canada's sports leadership falls short. CBC Canada.

Only **5.7%** of NHL players identified as Indigenous, Black, or part of a Racialized community.
Dichter, M. (2021, February 24).

Newcomers and women are the most under-represented population in sports and physical activity.
Canadian Women and Sport. (2020, June).

ARE YOU LISTENING? SCAN ME

Scan to watch the short video featuring a variety of Winnipeg athletes and sport stakeholders sharing their experiences with racism and their recommendations for how to take anti-racism actions in sport.

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COACH REQUIREMENTS

WHAT IS THE NCCP?

The NCCP is a training and certification program for coaches, offered across Canada in more than 60 sports. The program was designed to meet the needs of a wide range of coaches - from those who introduce youngsters to sport to those who work with Canada's high performance athletes.

Since its inception, more than 875,000 coaches have taken part in NCCP activities that have helped them to develop the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required to coach effectively.

The NCCP prepares coaches to:

- Better meet the needs of all participants in sport
- Provide a positive sport experience to participants
- Provide opportunities for participants to achieve their full potential in and through sport.

WHAT DOES A NCCP ACCOUNT INCLUDE?

A NCCP account costs \$50.00 and allows coaches to register for clinics while providing practice plans, drills, and other resources (for all levels) located under the "Tools" section. This includes all the information that was previously offered in the Rally Cap App - which is no longer available.

In addition to NCCP Coach Certification, all coaches must adhere to Baseball Manitoba's Screening Policy. Please refer to the Screening Requirements chart for more information. [Click here for more info.](#)

Looking for Rally Cap (7U) coaching information? Visit www.baseballmanitoba.ca/content/rally-cap for more details.

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Baseball Manitoba NCCP Coaching Requirements (A/AA)				
The following is required for Regular Season Games, Playoffs, and Provincials (A, AA, Tiers 1-3)				
	9U	11U / 13U	15U / 18U	SENIOR
Coach Initiation in Sport Cost: \$50.00 (Online)	Head Coach	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches
Coach Initiation in Baseball Cost: Free (Online)	Head Coach	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches
Fundamentals of Coaching Baseball Clinic Cost: Free	Head Coach (Recommended)	Head Coach	Head Coach	---
My First Pitch Cost: \$14.99 (Online)	---	Head Coach	---	---
Video Package - 11U, 13U, 15U, or 16+ Cost: Free (Online)	---	ALL Coaches (Recommended)	ALL Coaches (Recommended)	---



Baseball Manitoba NCCP Coaching Requirements (AAA)

The following is required for Regular Season Games, Playoffs, Provincials (AAA), Westerns, and Nationals:

	13U	15U / 16U / 18U	SENIOR
Coach Initiation in Sport Cost: \$50.00 (Online)	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches
Coach Initiation in Baseball Cost: Free (Online)	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches
Absolutes Clinic Cost: \$50.00	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	---
Planning Clinic Cost: \$50.00	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	---
Pitching and Catching Clinic Cost: \$50.00	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	---
Make Ethical Decisions eLearning Cost: \$85.00	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	---
Emergency Action Plan Cost: Free (Online)	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	---
Video Package - 13U, 15U, or 16+ Cost: Free (Online)	ALL Coaches	ALL Coaches	---
Strategies Clinic Cost: \$50.00	---	ALL Coaches	---
Skills Clinic Cost: \$50.00	---	ALL Coaches	---
Safe Sport eLearning Cost: Free (Online)	Head Coach	Head Coach	---
Core Portfolio Evaluation Cost: \$150.00 (Online)	Head Coach	Head Coach	---
Portfolio Tasks - 13U, 15U, or 16+ Cost: Free (Online)	Head Coach	Head Coach	---
Practice Evaluation Cost: Free	Head Coach	Head Coach	---
Game Evaluation Cost: Free	---	Head Coach	---

In addition to NCCP Coach Certification, all coaches must adhere to Baseball Manitoba's Screening Policy. Please refer to the Screening Requirements chart for more information. Click here for more info.



BASEBALL MANITOBA COACH SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

THE FOLLOWING IS REQUIRED FOR ALL COACHES:

	COMMUNITY COACH 7U & 9U	COMMUNITY COACH CHALLENGER, 11U-18U A, AA, TIERS 1-3	CAMP/CLINIC INSTRUCTOR	AAA & PROVINCIAL TEAM COACH
RESPECT IN SPORT (RIS)	X	X	X	X
UNDERSTANDING THE RULE OF TWO	X	X	X	X
CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK (CRC)		X	X	X

DESCRIPTIONS:

RESPECT IN SPORT (RIS)	Free, self-paced online course offered by Respect Group. Certification is valid for 5 years and takes approximately 75 minutes to complete.
UNDERSTANDING THE RULE OF TWO	Free, self-paced online module provided by the Coaching Association of Canada. Required once, takes about 20 minutes to complete.
CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK (CRC)	Can be completed for free through the RCMP or for a small fee via an approved provider, such as Triton . Required every 5 years. A copy must be uploaded into RAMP during annual registration.

[VISIT BASEBALLMANITOBA.CA FOR MORE COACH RESOURCES](http://BASEBALLMANITOBA.CA)



FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING CERTIFICATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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SPORT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:



The Rally Cap Program will service the 4-7 age group, and involves three teams of six players that meet at the park at the same time.



Girls Baseball is a development program for girls ages 7-13 who want to learn to play baseball - no experience necessary. The goal is to develop and improve a baseball skill-set while giving players an opportunity to grow and develop in a fun, all-girls setting.



9U (previously Gand Slam) is the follow-up program to Rally Cap and is meant for players aged 8 and 9. The season ends with a Regional Jamboree and a Provincial Jamboree at Blue Cross Park in June.



The 11U Monster Mania is a fun one-day event for Mosquito "A" teams that are not competing in league or regional championship.



The Spring Break Baseball Camp for ages 6-12 runs for five consecutive days, offering a comprehensive skill development program. The Specialty Camp for ages 13-15 and is three evenings focusing on pitching, hitting and fielding.



The Winter Academy is a baseball skill development camp to prepare for the season emphasizing technique and play.



An opportunity for children with cognitive or physical disabilities to enjoy the thrill of playing baseball, being part of a team, developing physical and social skills plus all the benefits of participation in baseball at a level structured to their abilities.



The 5 Tool Camps are week long camps held throughout the summer focusing on skill development and game strategy. One day camps offered in select Rural areas.



My First Pitch is a program targeted at the development of pitchers entering the 11U division where pitching is introduced for the first time.

PROSPECTS SHOWCASE: 11U, 13U, and 15U - Gives players that are not on league "AAA" teams an opportunity to develop and participate in a high level of baseball and further develop their skills later in the season.

BASEBALL CANADA RALLY CAP PROGRAM:

The Rally Cap Program is baseball's initiation program and is designed to enhance players' and coaches' first experience with the game.

Rally Cap Resources are available on our website here:

baseballmanitoba.ca/content/rally-cap



HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAMS:

MALE PROVINCIAL TEAMS: 17U, 16U, 15U, and 14U

FEMALE PROVINCIAL TEAMS: Senior, 19U, 16U and 14U

WOMEN'S NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: Attended by the Senior Women's Provincial Team in July.

16U GIRLS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: Attended by the 16U Girls Provincial Team in August.

14U GIRLS WESTERN CHAMPIONSHIP: Attended by the 14U Girls Development Team in August.

WINTER TRAINING: High Performance Baseball and Sport Science training for all High Performance players.

MANITOBA SUMMER GAMES: 14U High Performance tournament held every four years, next is 2028 (locations TBD), made up of Regional Allstar teams.

CANADA SUMMER GAMES: 17U Provincial Team Program competes at a tournament held every four years, next is August 2029, in St. John and Moncton, New Brunswick.



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RESPECT IN SPORT

Sport Manitoba and Baseball Manitoba believe in being proactive in ensuring sport in our province is safe and welcoming for all participants. Respect in Sport helps us promote those values through a simple and convenient on-line training course for coaches and sport leaders. It is designed as a tool to assist coaches in identifying and dealing with abuse, neglect, harassment, and bullying in sport. Respect in Sport enables coaches to deal with legal and moral responsibilities, making them less vulnerable and more confident in dealing with sensitive issues. A risk management tool, Respect in Sport will help sport organizations reduce liability.

As a mandatory Sport Manitoba requirement, all coaches from all sports (that means every Rally Cap, Grand Slam, "A", "AA" and "AAA" baseball coach) must have the "Respect in Sport" course completed by May 15 of the calendar year they are coaching, or their name will be removed from the roster.

If you completed your Respect in Sport for coaches over 5 years ago and you are required by Sport Manitoba to recertify with the new two and a half hour Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders course as part of your requirements of being a coach in Manitoba. Recertification was always a requirement of the program but has not been available until now. If your email address on your Respect in Sport profile is correct and hasn't changed, you should have or will be receiving an email from the Respect in Sport group letting you know you need to recertify or certificate will no longer be active. All coaches should check their Respect in Sport to make sure their number is still valid. **NOTE: The "hockey parent" Respect in Sport is not valid for a baseball coach.**

RECERTIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS

If you need to recertify, or have taken Respect in Sport within the last five years but cannot remember your number, please follow the steps below:

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If you have any questions or problems, contact baseball.operations@sportmanitoba.ca

BASEBALL MANITOBA SEVERE WEATHER POLICY



BASEBALL MANITOBA'S POLICY ON SEVERE WEATHER DURING ALL BASEBALL ACTIVITIES



RESPONSIBILITIES

THE BASEBALL MANITOBA REPRESENTATIVE, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE UMPIRE SUPERVISORS AND THE UMPIRE CREW, ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR STOPPING A GAME WHEN SEVERE WEATHER HITS.



THUNDER ROARS/ LIGHTNING STRIKES = STOP

WHEN THUNDER ROARS/LIGHTNING STRIKES, THE GAME WILL BE STOPPED. PLAYERS, COACHES, UMPIRES AND FANS SHOULD SEEK PROPER SHELTER.

<http://www.ec.gc.ca/foudre-lightning/>



FIND ADEQUATE SHELTER

PROPER SHELTER DOES NOT INCLUDE THE DUGOUT. ANY FREQUENTLY USED BUILDING IS CONSIDERED SAFE. ANY VEHICLE WITH A HARD METAL ROOF AND ROLLED-UP WINDOWS CAN PROVIDE A MEASURE OF SAFETY.



RESUMING THE ACTION

AT BASEBALL MANITOBA EVENTS, THE BASEBALL MANITOBA REP AND UMPIRES WILL WAIT AT LEAST THIRTY (30) MINUTES AFTER THE LAST SOUND OF THUNDER OR FLASH OF LIGHTNING BEFORE RETURNING TO THE FIELD AND RESUMING THE GAME.



GET EDUCATED

THE CANADIAN LIGHTNING DANGER MAP, DESIGNED BY ENVIRONMENT CANADA IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW PRIOR OR DURING ANY EVENTS.

http://weather.gc.ca/lightning/index_e.html

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US AT BASEBALL.INFO@SPORTMANITOBA.CA

APPRENTICE COACH MENTORING PROGRAM 2026

The Apprentice Coach Mentoring Program has been developed to help recruit and train more young coaches. Apprentice appointments can be made at any competitive level (A, AA, & AAA) and age division (11U to 18U). The program allows for coach mentorship to replace the required clinics as a form of training for the season. The program has the following features:

Apprentice Coaches must:

- Be accepted as an Apprentice by a Head Coach who is fully certified for age and competition level of the team under consideration.
- Be approved as an Apprentice Coach by the local baseball association in charge of the team.
- Complete the Respect-in-Sport online course not later than two weeks into the season.
- Not be a parent of any player on the team.
- Be subject to any current club or association requirements for child-abuse and criminal registry checks, just like any other rostered coach.
- Be older than the players in the age group they are coaching (ideally multiple years older).

Mentor Coaches must:

- Be approved as a Mentor Coach by the local baseball association in charge of the team.
- Accept the Apprentice Coach and ensure the support of the local baseball association for the appointment.
- Commit to helping develop the Apprentice's coaching skills throughout the season.

Clubs Administering the Program will:

- Ensure that there is a maximum of 2 apprentice coaches per team and a maximum of one apprentice coach per mentor.
- Be responsible for reviewing and approving the participation of any individual Apprentice and their Mentor.
- Be responsible for ensuring completion of RIS by the Apprentice and responding to any substantive issues that may arise during the season.
- Ensure that roster forms submitted through RAMP to Baseball Manitoba include any Apprentice Coaches labelled as such.
- Understand that Baseball Manitoba does not oversee competitions beyond Provincial Championships, therefore the Apprentice Coach would not be authorized to participate in Western Canadian or National Championships should the team advance.

Future Coaching for Apprentice:

- Apprentice Coaches at the A & AA levels are only able to remain in the program for one season. The coach would be required to complete the regular NCCP training requirements for future coaching.
- Apprentice Coaches at the AAA level can remain in the program for a second year should they choose, but they must complete the Fundamentals of Coaching Baseball

Clinic or the AAA Core Clinics (Absolutes, Planning, Make Ethical Decisions, Emergency Action Plan).

If you have any questions on the Apprentice Coach Mentoring Program please contact James at baseball.zamko@sportmanitoba.ca.

We hope that you will take this opportunity to introduce some promising new coaches to the game!

Thank you,

Baseball Manitoba Coaching Committee

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VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE COACH RESOURCES



SPORT ACCIDENT LIABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM

Baseball Manitoba must receive all initial claims within 75 days of the accident.

Please ensure that ALL parts of the accident claim are completed. Incomplete forms will not be processed and will be returned to the claimant, slowing the reimbursement process. For general questions on the insurance program, call Brendan Harz at Baseball Manitoba at (204) 925-5763.

NOTE: THIS IS A REIMBURSEMENT POLICY. All payments must be made directly to the group providing your treatment. Include all original receipts of payment with your claim forms. It is suggested that you keep a copy of all your receipts as well. As you receive additional treatment and have more receipts, please submit them to Baseball Manitoba at the address above.

To get a copy of the Accident Claim Form and the Instructions go to www.baseballmanitoba.ca.

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PLEASE RETURN ALL APPLICABLE COMPLETED FORMS TO BASEBALL MANITOBA, 145 Pacific Ave, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 2Z6 ASAP.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Baseball Manitoba is committed to providing mental health support to its members. Sport Manitobas offers multiple helpful resources for not only coaches, but athletes, administrators, and parents.

Many coaches take on more responsibility than they ever thought possible. Sometimes that means dealing with difficult, delicate and sometimes ethical or legal situations that they are not prepared for.

SPORT SUPPORT LINE: 1-877-737-9875

SPORT SUPPORT EMAIL: GETHELP@CHANGEOFSEASONS.CA

The Sport Manitoba Sport Support Line is managed 365 days of the year to ensure community members participating in sport have an appropriate outlet to report abuse. In Manitoba the law requires that anyone who suspects a child may be in danger must report their concerns. The Support Line can assist you in making that report.

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1-833-656-SAFE (7233)

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CONCUSSION AWARENESS

SIGNS, SYMPTOMS, & PROCEDURES

WHAT IS A CONCUSSION?
A concussion is a brain injury that can't be seen on x-rays, CT or MRI scans. It affects the way an athlete thinks and can cause a variety of symptoms.

WHAT CAUSES A CONCUSSION?
Any blow to the head, face or neck, or somewhere else on the body that causes a sudden jarring of the head may cause a concussion.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF A CONCUSSION?

A person does not need to be knocked out (lose consciousness) to have had a concussion. Common symptoms include:

PHYSICAL	VISUAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HEADACHES OR HEAD PRESSURE • DIZZINESS • NAUSEA AND VOMITING • BLURRED OR FUZZY VISION • SENSITIVITY TO LIGHT OR SOUND 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LYING MOTIONLESS ON THE PLAYING SURFACE • SLOW TO GET UP AFTER A DIRECT OR INDIRECT HIT TO THE HEAD • BLANK OR VACANT STARE

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I SUSPECT A CONCUSSION?
If any athlete is suspected of sustaining a concussion during sports they should be immediately removed from play. It is important that ALL athletes with a suspected concussion undergo medical assessment by a medical doctor or nurse practitioner, as soon as possible.

LEARN MORE AT BASEBALLMANITOBA.CA

Source: Canadian Guideline on Concussion in Sport | Pre-Season Concussion Education Sheet
www.parachutecanada.org/concussion

HEAT SAFETY

There are some simple guidelines which have been prepared by the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) when it comes to activities in a hot and/or humid environment. The goal in participating in hot weather is to avoid fluid loss from the body or dehydration.

AVOIDING AND PREVENTING HEAT RELATED INJURIES WHILE PLAYING BASEBALL

Guidelines

- 1** Avoid dehydration and make sure you pre-hydrate

2hrs before	500 ml
1 hr before	250 ml
During (Every 15 mins)	125-250 ml
Immediately After	500 ml
1 hr after	500 ml of chocolate milk
- 2** You should drink at least 500 ml for every 9 kg of body weight
- 3** Drinking carbohydrate/electrolyte fluids may be beneficial in avoiding heat trauma
- 4** Wearing light breathable clothing is advised.
- 5** Officials should be very cautious in authorizing games and practices in environments where the temperature plus humidity combined are 35 C and over. Unlimited substitution is recommended during games as is frequent fluid breaks

Signs

- Flushed face
- Hyperventilation
- Headache
- Poor coordination
- Shortness of breath
- Goose bumps
- Tingling arms
- Chilliness
- Confusion
- Agitation
- Uncooperativeness
- Dizziness

Main types of injuries

- 1** **Under Heat Cramps**
weakness, muscle cramps, collapse with low blood pressure. Treatment to replace the salt loss can be orally or by intravenous if vomiting is a problem.
- 2** **Heat Exhaustion**
weakness, irritability, collapse, unable to sweat adequately, a fine rash is often present. Remove athlete to a cooler environment, use ice baths, fans
- 3** **Heat Stroke** **▲** Medical Emergency call 911
mental confusion, headache, poor coordination, delirium, convulsions and death. The body temperature may be 106 F or 40.5 C or higher, the skin is usually hot and dry as the sweating mechanism has failed. Rapid cooling is the goal using wet towels, spray mist, sponge baths and removal from the heat. This condition could cause the athlete to go into shock and coma may follow so immediate medical attention is required.

TRUTH & RECONCILIATION IN BASEBALL

The Government of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) has created Calls to Action specific to sport. They are numbered 87 through 91:

Sports and Reconciliation

87. We call upon all levels of government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, sports halls of fame, and other relevant organizations, to provide public education that tells the national story of Aboriginal athletes in history.

88. We call upon all levels of government to take action to ensure long-term Aboriginal athlete development and growth, and continued support for the North American Indigenous Games, including funding to host the games and for provincial and territorial team preparation and travel.

89. We call upon the federal government to amend the Physical Activity and Sport Act to support reconciliation by ensuring that policies to promote physical activity as a fundamental element of health and well-being, reduce barriers to sports participation, increase the pursuit of excellence in sport, and build capacity in the Canadian sport system, are inclusive of Aboriginal peoples.

90. We call upon the federal government to ensure that national sports policies, programs, and initiatives are inclusive of Aboriginal peoples, including, but not limited to, establishing: i. In collaboration with provincial and territorial governments, stable funding for, and access to, community sports programs that reflect the diverse cultures and traditional sporting activities of Aboriginal peoples. ii. An elite athlete development program for Aboriginal athletes. iii. Programs for coaches, trainers, and sports officials that are culturally relevant for Aboriginal peoples. iv. Anti-racism awareness and training programs.

91. We call upon the officials and host countries of international sporting events such as the Olympics, Pan Am, and Commonwealth games to ensure that Indigenous peoples' territorial protocols are respected, and local Indigenous communities are engaged in all aspects of planning and participating in such events.

Baseball Manitoba is committed to the efforts set forth in these Calls to Action and is working towards reconciliation.

BASEBALL MANITOBA LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Baseball Manitoba would like to acknowledge that we are located on Treaty 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Territory, the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe), Ininew (Cree), Ojibwe-Cree, Dene and Dakota and is the National Homeland of the Red River Métis. Baseball Manitoba respects the Treaties that were made on these territories, acknowledges the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to learn move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration. We welcome all nations to baseball activities, programs and community with acceptance and through the spirit of sportsmanship and the game.

MANITOBA ABORIGINAL SPORT AND RECREATION COMMISSION (MASRC)



MASRC is Provincial Sport Organization within Sport Manitoba dedicated to the promotion of sport and recreation for all First Nation, Metis and Inuit people in Manitoba.

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For further guidance in crafting an appropriate Land Acknowledgement contact MASRC.

SPORT MANITOBA PLAY MORE BE MORE CAMPAIGN

The Sport Manitoba #PlayMoreBeMore campaign emphasizes the benefits of playing multiple sports and highlights the dangers of specializing in one sport at a young age. Playing a variety of sports will help young athletes:

- Excel in their chosen sport.
E.g. a hockey player who also continues to play volleyball and soccer - soccer is excellent for conditioning, change of direction abilities, and controlling a puck in skates, while volleyball is excellent for leg power and reaction skills. Another example is how cycling and skiing can develop lower body strength for a speed skater.
- Benefit their overall athleticism.
- Avoid overuse injuries that come with repeatedly doing the same sport over and over for several years.
- Avoid burnout.
- Have fun and walk away with a positive and enjoyable experience in sport and physical activity.



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