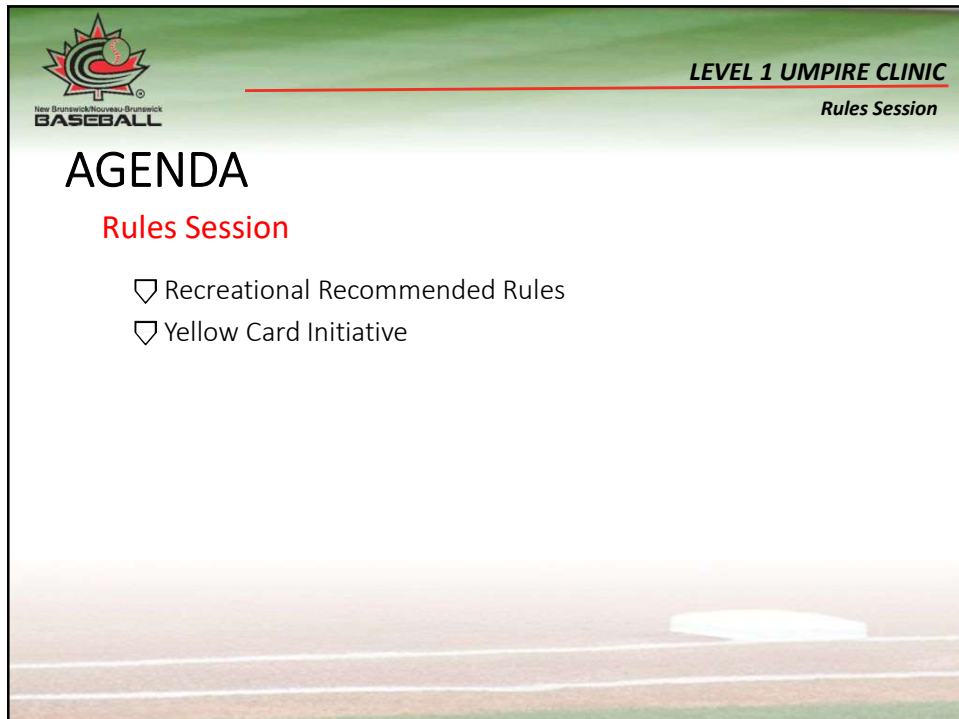




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LEVEL 1 UMPIRE CLINIC
Rules Session






Recreational Baseball Recommended Rules

	9U	11U	13U	16U
Stealing/Leadoffs	No stealing No leadoffs	No stealing No Leadoffs	No stealing No Leadoffs	Stealing and leadoffs permitted
Mercy Rules	-3 Runs Per Inning -10 Run Difference After 5	-3 Runs Per Inning -10 Run Difference After 5	-3 Runs Per Inning -10 Run Difference After 5	-3 Runs Per Inning -10 Run Difference After 5
Roster Size	20 Maximum	20 Maximum	20 Maximum	20 Maximum 17-year-olds are eligible to play but cannot pitch or catch
Game Length	5 Innings and no inning starts after 1.5 hours	6 Innings and no inning starts after 2 hours	6 Innings and no inning starts after 2 hours	7 Innings and no inning starts after 2 hours
Drop third strike	May not advance on dropped third strike	May not advance on dropped third strike	May not advance on dropped third strike	May advance to first on dropped third strike

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Rules Session

Recreational Baseball Recommended Rules

	9U	11U	13U	16U
Balks	No penalty	No penalty	No penalty	May be called in extreme circumstances
Scoring Runs	Runner may not score unless a ball is hit in play or is forced home by a walk	Runner may not score unless a ball is hit in play or is forced home by a walk	Runner may not score unless a ball is hit in play or is forced home by a walk	Runner may not score unless a ball is hit in play or is forced home by a walk
Pass Ball	Runners may not advance on a pass ball	Runners may not advance on a pass ball	Runners may only advance 1 base on a pass ball even if catcher puts ball in play	Runners may only advance 1 base on a pass ball even if catcher puts ball in play
Pitchers	Players may pitch but coach will finish the at bat if pitcher throws 4 balls (no walks)	Players may pitch but coach will finish the at bat if pitcher throws 4 balls (no walks)	Players pitch using Baseball Canada Pitch Count Rules	Players pitch using Baseball Canada Pitch Count Rules

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Yellow Card Initiative

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Thank you for your help!

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Rules Session

Baseball New Brunswick Rules

Yellow Card Sanctions

- The purpose of this system is an attempt to make the sanctions for misconduct more evenly applied by umpires and make the system fairer to the participants in the game.
- This sanction system provides two distinct levels of discipline providing more options to deal with misconduct. Umpires will use an established set of guidelines to determine what sanction should be applied for each misconduct.
- Misconduct by a team towards umpires, opponents, team mates and spectators will be classified in two categories:

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LEVEL 1 UMPIRE CLINIC
Rules Session

Baseball New Brunswick Rules

Yellow Card Sanctions

- **Minor Misconduct** (a yellow card) - actions contrary to good manners , moral principles, or expressing contempt.
 - The result of such sanction is the misconduct will be reported to Baseball New Brunswick.
 - The offending individual will be allowed to continue to participate within the game.
- **Major Misconduct** (an ejection) – defaming or insulting words or gestures and actual physical contact or aggressive or threatening behavior

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Baseball New Brunswick Rules


Yellow Card Sanctions

Minor Misconduct (Yellow Card) Looks Like....

- arguing of judgement calls (balls/strikes, fair/fouls, outs/safes etc.)
- gestures or words used to show disagreement with an umpires decision
- warning a coach or manager to control a team's behavior
- imitation in words or actions directed towards any participant in the game
- personal derogatory comments directed to any participant in the game.
- Any comments that make you feel uncomfortable could be subject to a yellow card.

Note: incidental misconduct may not be subject to sanctions. An umpire may issue a verbal warning to a participant to stop the misconduct and if ignored, then a sanction would be issued.

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Baseball New Brunswick Rules

Yellow Card Sanctions

For a major misconduct an ejection would occur. Such actions include but are not limited to:

- Any time you feel threatened or intimidated by a player or coach
- While arguing calls an individual uses profane language; or argues too loud or prolonged.
- An individual uses gestures determined to be profane or threatening
- an attempt or intent to injure a participant in the game
- physical contact with an umpire including spitting, bumping, etc.

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Baseball New Brunswick Rules

Yellow Card Sanctions

Major Misconduct continued:

- Equipment is thrown in direct response to a call that was made.
- Thrown equipment (bat, helmet) when thrown in frustration makes contact with a game participant.
- Where Baseball Canada rules provide for an ejection under the rules (tobacco rules, contact rule, etc.)
- A second yellow card in the same game.
- Argues the issuance of a yellow card (Be aware when they are arguing and when they are asking a question about the card.)

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Baseball New Brunswick Rules

Zero Tolerance Policy

No fan shall yell, be abusive, or try to change the decision of an umpire during a ball game. If this happens do the following:

1. Call time, go to the offending team coach and ask him/her to tell the fan to stop the behavior.
2. If the fan continues, call time again and inform the coach that the fan must leave. Do not resume play until the fan leaves.
3. If the fan does not leave, or the coach will not cooperate in having the fan removed from the ball park, the game could be forfeited.

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