

2025 BPEI 15U "A" Division Rules

Player Eligibility

• Players must be **14 or 15 years old during the 2025 calendar year** to be eligible for the 15U division.

Game Rules

• Base Rules: All games follow Baseball Canada 15U rules, with the following adaptations:

Game Duration and Inning Limits

- Game Length:
 - Games are seven (7) innings.
 - If a game is still ongoing at the **2-hour mark**, the current inning will be **completed**, but **no new inning will begin**.
- Tied Games:
 - For regular season and exhibition games, if the score is **tied after seven innings**, the game remains **tied** (no extra innings).
- Runs per Inning:
 - Each inning ends after 3 outs or 5 runs scored, except for the 7th inning, which is an open inning (unlimited runs until 3 outs).

Base Running & Field Play

- Leadoffs and stealing are permitted.
- Cleats:
 - Both **rubber** and **steel cleats** are **allowed**.

Lineup Rules

- All-Players-Bat Rule:
 - During the **regular season** and at **Provincial Championships**, all players must bat and there may be **unlimited defensive substitutions**.



Bats

• Bat rules follow Baseball Canada's 15U standards.

Baseballs

• All games must use **Rawlings 65cc baseballs (or better)**.

Pitching Rules

- All games on Prince Edward Island will follow the **Baseball PEI Pitch Count Rules**.
- Only 15U-aged players may pitch.
 - Affiliated players (APs) are not permitted to pitch.

Affiliated Player (AP) Rules

Eligibility and Game Limits

- An affiliated player may:
 - Play up to 4 regular season games with one (1) higher division or age category team within their own minor baseball association/zone.
 - Must be designated as an **AP** on the lineup card and marked accordingly in the **RAMP system**.
 - After 4 regular season games, the player is **no longer eligible** as an AP.

Provincial Championships

- If the AP has:
 - 4 regular season games as an AP: eligible for 2 Provincial Championship games.
 - **3 or fewer regular season games** as an AP: eligible for **up to 3 Provincial Championship games**.
 - No AP may play in more than 3 Provincial Championship games total.

Exhibition Games

• Games not run by Baseball PEI (including tournaments) **do not count** towards the AP game limit.



Division & Usage Restrictions

- 15U "A" teams may affiliate players from 13U "AA" or 13U "A" teams from the same minor baseball association.
- A 15U "A" team may call up a maximum of two (2) 13U "AA" players per game:
 - These players must play corner outfield positions and bat at the bottom of the lineup.

Roster Minimums

- In competitions where all rostered players must bat (e.g., Provincial Tournaments):
 - Teams may only use APs if fewer than 12 regular roster players are available.
 - Teams may only add enough APs to bring the roster to a maximum of 12.

Permission Protocol

- A coach must:
 - 1. Contact the affiliated player's coach first.
 - 2. Only after receiving permission may the coach contact the player directly.

Provincial Championship Eligibility

- Regular season must be completed by August 28, 2025.
- Provincial Championships will take place September 4-8, 2025.
- Teams must complete their regular season schedule to be eligible.

Game Reporting Responsibilities

- The home team must record the following by 12:00 PM (noon) the next day on their team webpage:
 - Final game score
 - Names of pitchers for both teams
 - Pitch counts of all pitchers
 - Names of affiliated players (APs)
- Failure to report will result in a fine.

Game Balls

- The home team must provide:
 - Two (2) brand new 65cc baseballs
 - Two (2) good quality used balls



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