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1. Purpose

Baseball Regina Inc. (BR) is a not-for-profit organization that provides the opportunity for players across Southern Saskatchewan to play baseball both competitively and recreationally.

- To promote, govern and enhance minor baseball in the City of Regina for the good of all players in the divisions assigned by Baseball Sask.
- To act as the governing body for Zone 2, as defined under the bylaws of Baseball Sask. Zone 2 represents the City of Regina boundaries and defined by Baseball Saskatchewan and the Saskatchewan Premier Baseball League (SPBL).
- To provide a league framework for surrounding centers in Southern Saskatchewan.

2. Overview

BR strives to create a thriving, inclusive youth baseball community in Regina by developing athletes who embody character, teamwork, and a love for the game while aligning with provincial and national standards to offer competitive and developmental opportunities.

2.1 Mission: To organize and deliver youth baseball programs in Regina under the auspices of Baseball Canada and Baseball Sask.

2.2 Purpose: To ensure every player has the opportunity to participate in baseball at a level suited to their abilities, fostering a safe, positive, and fun experience.

2.3 Objective:

2.3.1 Player Development First Agenda: Provide age- and skill-appropriate development opportunities at every level of play, ensuring all players can build skills, confidence, and a love for the game.

2.3.2 Strong teams at Every Level: Form balanced, well-supported teams across all divisions, recognizing that competitive success is achieved through long-term player development, not just top-tier results.

2.3.3 Provincial Competitiveness: Prepare teams at all levels to compete effectively within Baseball Saskatchewan competition, reflecting strong fundamentals, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

2.3.4 Positive and Safe Playing Environment: Foster a fun, respectful, and safe environment for players, coaches, officials, and families, aligned with BR operating rules and codes of conduct.

- 2.3.5 **Quality Coaching and Leadership:** Support and develop coaches who emphasize skill development, positive competition, and player growth at every stage of the baseball pathway.
- 2.3.6 **Inclusive Participation:** Encourage broad participation across all divisions by valuing development progress, team improvement, and enjoyment.
- 2.3.7 **Community Engagement:** Strengthen connections with families, volunteers, schools, and the broader Regina community by promoting sportsmanship, inclusion, and a shared love of the game.
- 2.4 **Scope:** The league is managed by the Board of Directors. The league shall have a spring and summer and fall season of play. Placement of players within the supervised program is based on residence location, league age, and playing ability.
- 2.5 **Volunteers:** BR primarily operates as a volunteer organization.

We rely heavily on devoted volunteers to help ensure a great baseball experience for our children. We are always looking for responsible and enthusiastic individuals to support and coordinate little league activities and events with guidance from our board.

Our coaches devote an extraordinary amount of time to teaching and developing our players. As parents, we can return the favor by covering team and field duties so that the fields remain safe and, in the best playing condition possible.

2.6 **Nonprofit Status:**

BR shall operate as a non-profit entity under the Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act. It is established exclusively for the promotion and development of amateur baseball and related activities, without purpose of gain for its members.

- **Use of Funds:** Any profits or other accretions shall be used solely to further the objectives of BR. No part of the income shall be payable to, or otherwise available for the personal benefit of, any member, director, or officer.
- **Compliance with Laws:** BR shall comply with the Canada Not-for-Profit (NPO) Corporations Act and maintain its status as a NPO under the Income Tax Act.
- **Dissolution of Assets:** Upon dissolution, any remaining assets shall be distributed to another non-profit or charitable organization with similar objectives, and not to any member.

- Financial Transparency: Annual financial statements shall be prepared, presented to members at the Annual General Meeting, and filed as required.
- Prohibition on Political Activity: BR shall not make political contributions or engage in activities that would jeopardize its non-profit status.

3. Governance

The management of the property and affairs of the BR is vested by the Board of Directors. Board Directors are elected by the general membership of BR each year at the annual general meeting.

These volunteers ensure the operations of the league are carried out according to BR rules and regulations of the operating procedures outlined here within this document, and in alignment with parameters set by Baseball Saskatchewan.

4. Program Mandates

Rally Cap division focuses on introducing the game of baseball to young players while making it safe, interesting and fun. Our program offers a wide flexibility for placement based on age and skill at this level. We find the best fit for a starting player to develop.

Although some of the rules are not traditional rules, the structure provides the opportunity for players to learn the fundamentals of the game in a safer environment while having fun and improving their skills is the primary concern. Hitting, fielding and running the bases are the primary reasons children want to play baseball, and this program allows them to do that. Junior and Senior Rally Cap Divisions shall follow the format as provided by Baseball Canada in the book titled Baseball Canada Rally Cap Program.

The **11U division** focuses on developing fundamental baseball skills, fostering teamwork, and promoting enjoyment of the game. Players should learn all aspects of play and follow age-appropriate rules that prioritize safety and skill growth over competition. While creating a competitive environment is still important, it is secondary to creating a positive environment that builds confidence and prepares athletes for future levels.

The **13U division** emphasizes continued skill development while introducing more advanced game strategies and competitive play. Players should refine fundamentals, learn situational awareness, and experience pitching and base running with proper technique. The focus remains on growth, safety, and sportsmanship, ensuring athletes build confidence and prepare for higher levels of baseball.

The **15U division** focuses on advancing technical skills and introducing higher-level tactics while maintaining a strong emphasis on player development and safety. Athletes should learn strategic aspects of the game, including pitching management, defensive positioning, and situational hitting. Competition becomes more prominent, however balanced growth, sportsmanship, and preparing players for elite or senior-level baseball.

15U AAA introduces play in the SPBL and emphasizes competitive play while maintaining a strong player development and safety.

The **18U division** prepares athletes for competitive senior-level play by refining advanced skills and fostering leadership on and off the field. Players are expected to demonstrate mastery of fundamentals, execute complex strategies, and maintain peak physical conditioning. The program emphasizes accountability, respect for the game, and readiness for post-secondary or high-performance opportunities.

Both AAA and AA divisions participate in the SPBL and prioritize high-performance baseball with advanced strategies and leadership development. The goal is to ensure readiness for elite play while upholding safety, respect for the game, and competitive integrity.

5. Player Eligibility

5.1 Boundaries: BR will provide baseball programs for athletes of Zone 2 (Regina).

Players must reside within the zone to be eligible to play baseball with BR. A player must be a resident at the time of registration and in alignment with Baseball Saskatchewan guidelines.

5.1.1 Residency Rule: All teams formed under BR must consist exclusively of players residing within the City of Regina (Zone 2). For operational purposes, boundaries are considered closed, and athletes residing outside Regina city limits will not be eligible for participation on Regina teams. Exceptions for out-of-zone female and rally cap players may be considered on a case-by-case basis when no viable local option is available, subject to BR approval.

Upon request, players must provide documentation confirming primary residence, and that they live with a legal guardian, to validate zone eligibility. Additional information maybe requested to verify residency.

5.1.2 Associate Requests: BR will not accept requests from individual players or external associations to place athletes within Zone 2 even if their home zone

does not offer an equivalent or suitable level of play. Athletes must seek placement in other zones that can accommodate their development needs. This policy ensures fairness and maintains the integrity of zone boundaries.

5.2 Age and Category: To be eligible to play in a particular age category, a player must not have a birthday which makes them older than the number in the series name as at January 1 - December 31.

5.2.1 All players must play within the division specified for their year of birth, except for the following exceptions:

- i. Players in their first year of 11U may be allowed to stay in Senior Rally Cap based on their parent's &/or Division Director's opinion.
- ii. 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 an AAA level. (i.e. a female player who would be first year 13U may play in the 11U AA or A Division).
- iii. Exceptions to play in a division higher will only be considered under guidelines noted in section 12.7.

5.3 Associate Teams: BR supports community-based baseball activities throughout southern Saskatchewan allowing associate teams to participate in the BR Association. Associated teams are expected to follow appropriate, rules, boundaries and age categories as documented in the Operating rules or approved by the Board of Directors.

6. Safety

6.1 Background checks: All volunteers who interact with players at practices, games, team events, or any league-sanctioned activity must register as a Team Official. All approved coaches are required to submit an annual Criminal Record Check to BR.

6.2 Team responsibilities: Coaches are responsible for ensuring the physical and emotional safety of all athletes, creating a safe environment for players, including:

- Supervising all activities and maintaining safe playing conditions.
- Ensuring all equipment is in good condition and used properly.
- Enforcing the use of protective gear (helmets, catcher's equipment, etc.).
- Monitoring weather conditions as per 6.4.
- Maintaining up-to-date medical information for all players.

- Abuse Prevention & Reporting: Coaches must watch for any signs of abuse, bullying, or harassment and report to BR as per NCCP guidelines.
- Emergency Action Planning: Coaches are expected to have an emergency action plan (EAP) for practices and games, including access to first aid and emergency contacts. [\[nccp.baseball.ca\]](http://nccp.baseball.ca)
- Ethical Decision-Making: NCCP training includes modules on making ethical decisions, which guide coaches in handling safety concerns, discipline, and conflict fairly and responsibly. [\[coach.ca\]](http://coach.ca)
- Continuous Professional Development: Coaches must meet each divisions required NCCP coaching requirements to participate in provincials.

6.3 Unsafe conditions

Before Players Arrive:

- Walk the entire field (infield, outfield, foul territory, dugouts, bullpens).
- Check for standing water, mud, or slippery areas.
- Inspect the field for holes, uneven surfaces, rocks, glass, or debris.
- Ensure bases are securely anchored and not damaged.
- Confirm pitcher's mound and home plate are stable and free of hazards.
- Verify fences, backstops, gates are secure with no sharp edges or protrusions.
- Check dugouts for loose boards, nails, or unsafe equipment storage.
- Confirm field (benches, screens, batting cages) is in good condition.

During Setup:

- Ensure field lines are clearly marked and visible.
- Set up first aid kit and emergency contact list in accessible location.
- Confirm access to phone or communication device for emergencies.

During Play:

- Watch for developing unsafe conditions, including weather.
- Remove any hazards immediately if discovered.
- Stop playing if field becomes unsafe and notify league officials.

Post-Game:

- Report any field hazards or injuries to league safety officer or facility.
- Remove team equipment and check for damage or loss.

6.4 Weather related safety protocols

The safety of our athletes, coaches, and spectators is paramount. All teams must follow weather-related safety protocols, including suspending play for lightning, providing hydration during heat, cancelling games for cold or poor air quality, and inspecting fields for safe conditions.

Umpires have the ultimate decision; Coaches should monitor weather conditions:

- 6.4.1 Cold Weather: BR will follow a 4° at 4 pm rule. The parks will be responsible for assessing the temperature from a common weather source.
- 6.4.2 Lighting: suspend activities if lightning is seen, wait 30 minutes prior to restarting activities.
- 6.4.3 Extreme Heat: ensure water breaks are added, during and after activities. Monitor players for signs of heat exhaustion.
- 6.4.4 Rain and wet fields: Do not play when excessive water is on the field or there are slippery sections.
- 6.4.5 Air Quality: BR will follow established Baseball Sask parameters, limiting play for an index value 10+. Like rain events, BR monitors air quality and decide by 4:00 on game days.

6.5 Equipment

- 6.5.1 Bats: BR utilizes Baseball Sask guidelines and can be found at the following link: [Baseball Sask » Bat Rules](#)
- 6.5.2 Game Baseballs:
 - 11U A, AA & AAA: 65cc
 - 13U A, AA & AAA: 80cc
 - 15U A & AA: 80cc
 - 18U A: 80cc or better (ROMC, ROML)
 - SPBL (15U AAA, 18U AA & 18U AAA): teams will follow SPBL rules
 - Must use Rawlings baseball brand

6.5.3 Catchers Gear:

- BR follows Baseball Canada rules requiring catchers in all age categories to wear a protective helmet with throat protector and mask. This includes practice and warm-up situations such as the bullpen or between innings. Coaches must wear a mask in all practice and warm-up situations
- In addition, a normal chest protector, shin guards, and athletic supporter with cup should be worn.

6.5.4 Damaged Gear:

- Damaged equipment will not be allowed for use during gameplay and should not be utilized for practices.

6.6 Pitch Count: BR adheres to pitch count rules as approved by [Baseball Sask](#).

7. Associate (Out of Town) Rules

7.1 Associate teams will sign the Associate membership each year and will:

- Follow BR team formation formula when forming multiple teams within one division
- Be bound by the rules of BR for all games played within the Association
- Ensure coaches, players and spectators of associate teams adhere to the BR Code of Conduct (*Appendix B*)

7.2 The following travel distances shall be used to determine the guidelines for allowing out of town associate teams home games in the BR league:

- Rally Cap and A divisions: within 80 km of Regina.
- AA division: within 120 km of Regina.
- SPBL and AAA divisions: No limit.
- All arrangements and exceptions are subject to Board approval.

7.3 Overage players are only allowed with approved permission of BR. These players can only be one year over division age and cannot pitch or catch. The team can only use three overage players in a game and is not intended to supplement a team with a full roster. (This restriction does not apply to female overage players (see section 13.2).

7.4 League Parity is promoted within BR to ensure fair competition, support player development, promote retention & enjoyment while promoting the integrity of the league.

BR has a formal promotion and regulation system for associated teams. A prior year win-loss records, prior 2-3 years standings and run differentials will be used. Guiding principles include:

- Teams finishing with a 0.750 winning percentage in their division over the evaluation period may be promoted to a higher division.
- Teams finishing with a 0.250 winning percentage in their division over the evaluation period may be demoted to a lower division.
- Year-over-year roster changes or perceived talent levels will not be considered.
- The league board may override placement decisions in cases of team dissolution, mergers, or other structural changes.

8. Financial Policy

The Finance Policy provides clear guidance for the responsible, transparent management of Baseball Regina's financial resources, ensuring accountability and sustainability in support of the organization's programs, players, and community.

- 8.1 Fiscal Responsibility: RBA will manage its financial resources in a manner that aligns with the BR's mission to provide baseball experiences for all participants.
- 8.2 Transparency: Financial transactions, reports, and records will be made available to the Board of Directors and as appropriate, the general membership.
- 8.3 Compliance: The organization will comply with all local, provincial, and federal financial regulations, including tax reporting obligations.
- 8.4 Non-Profit Status: RBA operates as a non-profit organization. All funds will be used solely for the advancement of the organization's programs and initiatives.
- 8.5 Budgeting: An annual budget will be developed by the Director of Finance and approved by the Board of Directors before the start of the fiscal year.
- 8.6 Fee Policies: Registration fees will be reviewed annually to ensure affordability and coverage of operational costs and in alignment with the annual budget.
- 8.7 Approved Expenditures:
- i. Authorized Spending: Only authorized individuals may make purchases or commit funds on behalf of the RBA and align the approved budget unless otherwise authorized by the Board.

- ii. All requests for reimbursement must be accompanied by original receipts and submitted within 30 days of the expense. Any requests without proper documentation can be denied.
- iii. Capital Expenditures: Any purchases over \$1,000 must receive prior approval from the Board of Directors.

8.8 Financial Reporting and Oversight

- Maintain accurate and up-to-date financial records.
- Provide monthly financial reports to the Board of Directors.
- Ensure timely filing of tax returns and other required filings.

8.9 Annual Audit or Review: Financial records will be completed by an independent professional in alignment with NPO requirements.

8.10 Conflict of Interest: No Board member or staff member may use their position for personal financial gain. All conflicts of interest must be disclosed to the Board.

9. Game Conduct and Umpire Authority

All players, coaches, parents/guardians, spectators, and umpires are bound by the Baseball Regina Code of Conduct (Appendix B) and Code of Discipline (Appendix C). Breaches may result in removal from the facility, ejection, suspension, or further disciplinary action.

Umpires are authorized to enforce zero-tolerance standards during games. Individuals directed to leave must immediately comply. Play will not resume until complied.

Coach-Umpire Interaction:

- Only Manager (Head Coach) requests clarity on rule interpretation, not judgment calls.
- Discussions must occur respectfully and away from players and spectators.
- Judgment calls (i.e. balls/strikes, safe/out, fair/foul) are not for discussion / are final.
- Coaches may not attempt to influence judgment calls (verbal or non-verbal means).

10. Social Media

Teams and BR may maintain social media profiles and photograph at games and events. By participating, players and families acknowledge photos/videos may be shared online. Families not wishing to have their child's image shared must notify the league in writing.

11. Baseball Regina Guidelines

These rules, regulations and guidelines are intended for the day to-day operation of the Association and are governed by the Baseball Sask and Baseball Canada rules and regulations unless otherwise provided:

- 11.1 All league games shall be governed by the Baseball Sask and Baseball Canada rules and regulations unless otherwise provided.
- 11.2 All protests must be submitted in writing by email to the President of BR within 48 hours of the action in question. The BR Protest Committee, which is to be formed by the President of BR, will make a ruling on all protests.
- 11.3 Rosters:
- SBA substitution rules will apply.
 - Only players registered with BR may participate in evaluations, tryouts, practices, and scheduled league, tournament or exhibition games.
 - Players may only register for one team.
 - A final roster must be established by Baseball Sask registration day. Prior to this date a player may be added or deleted.
 - AA and A teams with fewer than nine players do not automatically forfeit; games may proceed and the result will stand. No automatic outs are taken for missing players. Teams with fewer than seven players must forfeit. AAA teams must have at least nine players by the scheduled start time or the game is forfeited. With both coaches' consent, the game may still be played for practice using the assigned umpires (non-SPBL divisions).
- 11.4 Gameplay:
- A clean shirt courtesy runner may be allowed for the catcher with two out to allow the catcher to put on his/her equipment, thereby speeding up the games. (non-SPBL divisions).
 - All coaches shall be in uniform and wearing baseball pants.
 - Players must wear BR approved uniforms for BR scheduled league games, league tournaments and SBA Provincials.
 - Coaches shall clearly print names and numbers on score sheets which shall be exchanged at the home plate meeting prior to the start of every game. Coaches are responsible for correctly completing game sheets.
 - The home team shall provide the official scorekeeper for that game. The visiting team shall provide the official pitch count tracker for that game. The home team coach or manager will be responsible for reporting the game score to the BR website at www.baseballregina.com within 24 hours.
 - Players are not permitted to drive themselves to out-of-town games, practices, tournaments, or sanctioned events (can drive within city limits). Transportation must be arranged by a parent/guardian or approved adult.

11.5 Season Play:

- Teams must have played 60% of games to be included for league play-offs.
- Games not played games will be counted as a 7-7 TIE.
 - All SPBL games must be completed and result in a final score.
- In the event a game is rained out or cancelled, the coach of the home team shall be responsible for rescheduling the game during the regular season.
 - For playoffs, BR will reschedule the game.
- Games called due to darkness or inclement weather will be up to discretion of umpire. Score to the last completed inning.
- During regular season, games that are tied after the last inning will be recorded as a tied game. For BR sanctioned tournament games, tied games will be after the last inning will be detailed in the tournament rules.
- For 11U and 13U A games a completed game is defined as a minimum of four completed innings in the event six innings can't be played. For 13U, 15U and 18U A, a completed games are defined as five completed innings in the event seven innings can't be played.
- Coaches must register for BR tournaments at least TEN (10) days prior to the scheduled tournament date. Teams are not automatically entered.

11.6 Umpires: BR assigns all umpires. Officials must declare any conflicts of interest (such as being related to a player) before assignments. A coach, manager, parent, sibling, or player may officiate a related player's game within the same Division and Level only as a last-resort option when no other officials are available.

11.7 Fees and Refunds:

11.7.1 Payment of Fees: updated annually on the BR website aligned with our Non-Profit status and our ability to provide baseball operations within Regina.

11.7.2 Refund of Fees: To ensure the integrity of the draft and team formation, a matrix has been created to provide clarity.

- Injuries: Exceptions will be provided for players who are injured.
- Rally Cap: Once the season starts refunds will not be provided, except in the event of injury where 50% of the fee will be reimbursed. Notification prior to season, 75% of fees will be refundable.

11U-18U	Evaluation or Admin Fee*	Before Draft *	After Draft	After May 1
Non-Injury	Non-refundable	75%	0%	0%
Injury	Non-Refundable	75%	50%	0%

*of total registration fee, excluding evaluation fee. Evaluation and Administration fee is \$150.

11.8 The league play-offs shall be decided by BR and SPBL (where applicable). Teams will be informed prior to the beginning of the upcoming season.

12. Team Formation

BR maintains a transparent, structured team-formation process. The timeline below outlines the typical selection schedule, though annual circumstances may require adjustments. Any changes will be communicated clearly. Below is the typical timeline of events:

Division	Registration Opening	Evaluation Date	Number of Teams	Coach Selection	Team Selection	Roster Finalization	Time Frame
Rally Cap	Jan 1	n/a	By March 31	+30 - 45 days	+5 days	n/a	Jan1 – Apr15
11U/13U AAA	Jan1	+ 25 - 45 days	+1 day	+2 days	+2days	+7 days (i)	Jan1 – Mar1
11U/13U AA				(i) +2days	+2days	+7 days (ii)	Mar1 – Mar31
11U/13U A		n/a		(ii) +15days	+2days	n/a	Apr15
15U/18U AAA	Aug1	+ 20 - 50 days	+1 day	+2 days	+2days	+7 days	Aug1 – Sept30
15U/18U AA				Jan1-Feb20	+2days	+7 days (iii)	Mar1 – Mar31
15U/18U A		n/a		(iii) +30days	+2days	n/a	Apr15

12.1 Player Registration

Players register for BR by submitting registration forms to the league. On this form families will indicate if their athlete wishes to play at the A, AA, AAA level. This is done to ensure families understand that the higher levels have a higher level of commitment, more travel and a longer season.

Only players living in Zone 2 (Regina) will be eligible (Section 5).

Changes to player's eligibility will impact the player and team:

- Players who leave the zone after the draft will be removed from the team.
- If a player is found to be ineligible, they will be removed from the roster. No accommodation will be provided for the team who drafted the player. Player fees will not be refunded.
- If a player moves to the zone and becomes eligible, BR will assess player skill and place in the appropriate division. Coaches will be invited to add the player at their own discretion based upon draft order in round 12.
- Potential suspensions to player/coaches if registration is deemed deceitful.
- The team affected will be allowed to utilize AP process.

12.2 Number of teams per division

Each season, the BR Board of Directors will determine the number of teams at the AAA, AA, and A levels based on player registrations, evaluation outcomes, and the ability to form safe, competitive teams.

12.3 Roster Size

Team rosters in all Divisions have required minimum and maximum limits.

Limit	Rally Cap		11U			13U			15U			18U		
	Jr	Sr	A	AA	AAA	A	AA	AAA	A	AA	AAA	A	AA	AAA
Minimum	8	10	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	12	12	12
Maximum	10	12	15	13	13	15	13	13	15	13	13	16	16	16

Size of teams will be recommended by each team's coach, subject to the Division Director. Deviation must be recommended by the Division Director for approval to the Board of Directors.

12.4 Team Name

All coaches in a division will be provided with a list of available teams (and associated logo) to choose from. Returning coaches will be provided the same team's name as the prior year. Team names for new coaches will be determined by a draw.

BR will determine names available for use for all divisions with the intent to eliminate the possibility of two or more teams in the same league with the same name. BR reserves the sole right to determine team names and logos.

12.5 Coaching Selection

BR shall advertise, receive applications for and select coaches for every team.

A BR Committee, including the Division Directors, will make coaching. Board Members who are related by marriage or blood will be excluded for those coaching discussions and will recuse themselves from any votes involving a division they have a player.

The Committee shall make coaching selection recommendations based on coaching experience, past coaching results, surveys, behaviours, and Director insight. In the event the coach is a parent, the player will need to be appropriate skill to play in the division.

Coaching selection recommendations to the BR Board of Directors for approval.

12.6 Evaluation Process

The evaluation process ensures fair and consistent assessment of player skills to support appropriate team placement and development opportunities across all divisions.

i) Evaluation Timing

- Evaluation dates will be set as noted in section 12, by the Evaluation team and Board of Directors
- Typically, 11U and 13U will take place in January / February with 15U and 18U taking place in August / September

ii) Evaluation Location

- Indoor and/or on-field session considering division need, weather and availability.

iii) Who can Participate:

- All registered players within 11U, 13U, 15U, 18U divisions.
- Players seeking placement in AAA, AA, or A levels as per BR guidelines.
 - Players wishing to play in the A division need not evaluate.

iv) Evaluators:

- Approved coaches for each division.
 - Coach completed evaluations will be reviewed for fairness and alignment with other independent evaluators. If deviation is significant, those evaluation scores will be excluded from the overall submission.
 - It is expected Coaches attend evaluation using BR evaluation tool. Failure to do so will impact coaching selection process.
 - Coaches may bring an assistant to support their evaluation process.
- Independent evaluators appointed by the BR Board for evaluations (and may hold a higher weighting in the results).
- All evaluators (independent and coaches) are expected to utilize the league evaluation tool (typically mobile phone application).

v) Process Details

- Each player's skill set will be evaluated based on hitting, pitching, fielding and running (speed).
 - Catchers will be evaluated in 15U and 18U divisions.

- Players may request not to evaluate for any skill category due to preference; however, this will impact their evaluation score and potentially draft status.
- Once evaluations are completed, a ranked list is generated.
- AA and AAA divisions will hold a secondary evaluation process to assist in the finalization of rosters:
 - 11U-18U AA and 11U-13U AAA: 1–3 FRE practices led by approved coaches to assess game-readiness and skill application.
 - 15U and 18U: A series of mini-scrimmages will be held to evaluate performance in live-game scenarios. No additional FRE practices will occur after the mini games. Mini games will be set by BR, and with input from selected Coaches. 18U AA may utilize mini games instead of FRE.
 - Note: All players, including retained players, will participate in the evaluation process.

12.7 Playing up One Level

When a request to move a player up an age division comes in, BR ensures standard practices are in place that are equitable and fair from year to year and are not unique to specific players/families.

There will always be strong players within each division and requests are limited to players with exceptional ability who would continue to be impactful players in the division they move up to. Any movement must be supported developmental rationale, advanced skill level, physical readiness, and emotional maturity.

Meeting the criteria does not guarantee placement. Final decisions rest with the league and are made in the best interest of the player and team parity.

12.7.1 Registrations and Requests to Move up

- Players will always first register in the division equivalent to their age.
- A written request can be made to formally ask that a player be evaluated for the opportunity to move up an age division.

12.7.2 Criteria to move and play up

- Only players in the second year of the division are eligible to move up.
- The player will need to score in the top 5 players in the evaluation to be eligible to play in the higher division.

Junior and Senior Rally cap is exempt from this process.

12.8 Team Selection and Draft Process

Below are the general rules by division for player placement and draft process.

The BR Board shall make all decisions on specials requests and are final. Allowable special requests are only valid for one season. Players must reapply each year. Requests to play with a specific player will only be considered in Rally Cap or the 11U and 13U "A" divisions.

- 12.8.1 Team Selection Process: completion of player evaluations, teams will be drafted in a structured sequence to ensure competitive balance and transparency. Drafting will progress from the highest division (AAA) to the lowest (A).

Players may opt out of AAA and or AA divisions. This must be indicated prior to the AAA draft and be noted during the registration process.

i. Rally Cap:

In Rally Cap Divisions, zones will be determined each year prior to team selection process according to the floating zone methodology, friend request and school attendance (balanced numbers).

ii. AAA Division:

- Eligibility: All players evaluated will be eligible.
 - Coaches for AAA teams convene under BR oversight.
- Draft order is determined by a pre-established method (e.g., random draw or previous season standings (15U and 18U))
- Coaches select players until rosters are complete in a modified snake format.

iii. AA Division:

- Eligibility: Players not placed in AAA.
 - Coaches for AA teams convene under BR oversight.
- Draft order is determined by a pre-established method (e.g., random draw or previous season standings (18U))
- Coaches select players until rosters are complete in a modified snake format.

iv. A Division:

- Eligibility: Players not placed in AA.
- Coaches for A teams convene under BR oversight.
- Draft order is determined by a pre-established method (e.g., random draw)
- Coaches select players until rosters are complete in a modified snake format.
 - Emphasis is placed on creating balanced teams to promote development and participation.

v. Slotting of coaches Players

- Coaches' players are slotted based upon BR committee decision, and are based upon evaluation results, prior year league of play, prior year statistics and committee judgement. All decisions are final. For 15U and 18U they will be deemed as retained players and slotted as the first selection.

vi. Draft Order:

- Divisions with retained players, draft order will be based upon prior year record. Pick one will be the team with the worst record with remaining teams continuing in this fashion until the last team has picked.
 - If tied, head-to-head will be applied with the winner receiving first pick
 - If Tied, run differential in head-to-head games will be applied with high value receiving first pick
 - If tied, run differential in league play with the higher value receiving first pick
 - If tied, fewest runs against receives first pick
 - If tied, a coin toss will determine the first pick
- The order of the remaining picks (For divisions that require a draft), will follow a modified snake draft board.

12.8.2 Division Specific Exceptions

- i. Rally Cap: Friend requests and school zones will be honored
- ii. Recruitment (11U, 13U, 15U): Recruitment of Zone 2 players is available to coaches. All recruitment must be disclosed by the family and coach prior to evaluations. Players
 - 11U: recruit up to 3 players and will complete the last 3 roster spots

- 13U: recruit up to 2 players and will complete the last 2 roster spots
- 15U: recruit up to 1 player and will complete the last 1 roster spot
- Not permitted for Rally Cap and 18U divisions.
- Can not have played in BR in the past.
- Recruited player prior year played in Zone 2 (Regina).

Registration must have a Zone 2 address and have never played within BR to be considered as recruitable players.

- iii. Retained players (15AAA, 18AA, 18AAA): Guidelines for retaining players from previous seasons are utilized in BR to promote team continuity while maintaining fairness in the drafting process:
- Coaches must submit a list of retained players to BR prior to evaluations.
 - BR will verify eligibility and registration status prior to the draft.
 - Retained players will be slotted at the top of the draft board (sequentially).
 - Coaches' players will be considered retained players and will be slotted first, unless unanimously agreed to by all coaches
 - Zone movement: Any player who is not retained at the draft, or any player who moves into Zone 2 after the draft, the Board will make the final determination on roster placement. The Board may seek input from coaches, players, families, and teams; however, such input will not influence the decision. All placement decisions will be made independently by Board members who are not impacted by the outcome, ensuring no opportunity for roster manipulation. The Board will consider the below options, as well as others depending on the circumstance:
 - If originally drafted and retained, returned to original team.
 - If originally drafted and not retained, returned to original team.
 - If originally drafted and not retained, assigned to another team.
 - Potential trading of players to balance competition.
 - Lottery to determine team.
 - Future Eligibility: Drafted players who compete outside Zone 2 in later years remain protected by their drafting team for all remaining eligible seasons and are not re-entered into the draft (i.e drafted in year 1, plays out of zone year 2, returns to zone 2 in year three, excluded mid-year returns (see above).
 - Board Authority: The Board has final authority over all roster decisions.
 - To be eligible to play in Zone 2, players must be in good standing, registered with no outstanding fees.

- Player Retention: Each team may retain:
 - 15U AAA: Each team may retain up to three (3) players from the previous season. Retained players must be registered and eligible for the current season. Players not retained return to the draft pool.
 - 18U AA and 18U AAA: Unlimited number of returning players who meet eligibility requirements and are registered for the current season. Players not retained return to the draft pool.

iv. Player movement: Trading of players may only happen at the draft.

- Players selected on draft day: Coaches will be able to trade players selected on draft day at the draft. Trades will not occur after the draft is concluded for 15U and 18U AAA.
- Retained players: Trading of retained players is not allowed, except for 18AAA. This will only occur at the draft. Only player for player trades will be allowed, no future draft picks will be allowed to be traded.

12.9 Affiliated Players (AP)

There are two primary circumstances under which a player may be called up to a higher division:

1. Roster Shortage: A team is unable to field the minimum players required to avoid forfeiting.
2. Player Development: When strong players from lower divisions are provided opportunities to play at a higher level for their growth and experience.

In both scenarios, it is essential to ensure the safety of all participants and maintain a process that is fair and equitable for all teams involved. Criteria include:

12.9.1 Player Pool: BR will provide affiliated players upon request for 11U-18U divisions.

12.9.2 Affiliation Requirement: 15U AAA and 18U AAA teams must affiliate a minimum number of 2 players. These players must be provided with the opportunity to practice with the team and potentially play games, subject to their own team's schedule.

12.9.3 Game Schedule Alignment: Affiliated players may participate with a higher division team provided it does not conflict with their own team's scheduled games.

BR supports occasional missed practices to allow participation in higher-division games or practices, recognizing this should be the exception rather than the norm.

12.9.4 Player Movement Conditions:

- i. Lending coach (lower division) may not block a player from moving up unless it interferes with a scheduled game or a series of critical practices.
- ii. Receiving team (higher division) may not use an affiliated player continuously in a way that effectively promotes the player outside of normal advancement rules.

12.9.5 League Oversight: All affiliations must be approved and tracked by the league. Abuse of the affiliated player system may result in disciplinary action or revocation of affiliation privileges. It is expected the receiving coach discusses with the lending coach AP opportunities and joint communication be sent to the Division Director approval.

12.10 Communications

All rosters regardless of division will be communicated within 2 hours of the draft. An email will be received by each remaining evaluated player at the completion of each draft.

12.11 Team Officials (Coaches, managers and other officials) & Guidelines

Each team will consist of one coach, a minimum of one assistant coach and one manager/treasurer. The manager/treasurer should be elected by the parents from the parent group and should not be one of the coaching staff nor related to the coaching team and will ensure the following:

- A budget provided to parents at the beginning of the season and financial statement at season-end.
- Fundraising is supported and recommended as needed. Any refunds will be limited to total fees paid.
- Bank accounts are required and are to have two account holders and two authorized signors. Dual authorization for outgoing payments and e-transfers required auto-deposit.

The team shall be required to cover expenses of non-parent coaches as stated in Appendix A. The manager/treasurer's responsibility to ensure the team budget is developed to cover these expenses.

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 before fees are collected from families. A copy of such Statements must be provided to BR upon request.

All coaches must submit an original criminal record check (CRC) to the BR Executive Director by May 15. Without submission the coach(s) is ineligible to coach until they submit a CRC.

Coaches are responsible for the conduct and discipline of both players and fans and may impose reasonable sanctions. This can include sanctions for missing practices or games.

12.12 Fair Play

Coaches must see that all players participate on a fair and equitable basis. Coaches deemed by BR to have not followed the minimum play rules for their division are subject to a one game suspension for their first violation to be served the first game after notification of such suspension. Subsequent violations will result in further suspensions.

Coaches will treat all members of their teams with fairness to ensure the development of players in the best spirit and traditions of baseball.

Division	Rules of Fair Play
Junior Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All players shall bat every inning. Each batter shall receive five (5) hittable pitches, including foul balls. If the ball has not been hit, the batter will advance to first base. ▪ All players will play each defensive inning
Senior Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All players will be listed on the batting order, and the half inning is over after three outs. Prior to June 1st each batter shall receive five (5) hittable pitches, including foul balls. The batter is out after the 5 pitches if the player has not hit. After June 1st the batter is out after three strikes. The batter can only advance to first base on a hit and cannot be walked. ▪ Nine (9) players will play each defensive inning.
11U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Every player must play at least two defensive innings during the first four innings. ▪ Every player must sit at least one inning every two games. ▪ Exceptions for fair play shall be exempted for injuries during the game, disciplinary reasons and a catcher and pitcher who are still within their pitch count limits if they started the game as catcher and pitcher. Once the pitcher is no longer pitching then the catcher and pitcher must follow the

	<p>rules as set out above (eg. if the pitcher is pulled or hits pitch count limit in innings five, the player must sit out inning six as does the catcher).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Violations subject to discipline - see 2.14 - This is not enforced at Provincials.
13U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Every player must play at least two defensive innings during the first four innings. ▪ Every player must sit at least one inning every two games. ▪ Exceptions for fair play shall be exempted for injuries during the game, disciplinary reasons and a catcher and pitcher who are still within their pitch count limits if they started the game as catcher and pitcher. Once the pitcher is no longer pitching then the catcher and pitcher must follow the rules as set out above. For example, if the pitcher is pulled or hits his pitch count limit in innings six, the player must sit out inning seven as does the catcher. ▪ Violations subject to discipline - see 2.14 - This is not enforced for 9-man ball at Provincials, Westerns or Nationals.
15U A & AA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Every player must play at least two defensive innings during the first four innings. ▪ Every player must sit at least one inning every two games. ▪ Exceptions for fair play shall be suspended for injuries during the game, disciplinary reasons and a catcher/pitcher who started and are still within their pitch count limits. Once the pitcher is no longer pitching then the catcher and pitcher must follow the rules as set out above. ▪ Violations subject to discipline. This is not enforced for 9-man ball at Provincials, Westerns or Nationals.
18U A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ BR is committed to fair play. No one player shall sit out 2 consecutive league games (except for medical or disciplinary reasons).
15U AAA 18U AA & AAA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ These divisions are competitive and operate under SPBL guidelines. While playoff and provincial formats emphasize competition, BR recognizes that fair play does not equate to equal play. Player development remains a key priority, particularly at the 15U AAA and 18U AA levels.

Note: Coaches are responsible for the discipline and conduct of their players and may impose reasonable sanctions. This can include sanctions for missing practices or games for 13U-18U divisions.

13.Division Specific Rules

In addition to the standard Baseball Saskatchewan and Baseball Canada regulations, BR has implemented specific rules to address local needs and enhance player development. These rules are designed to maintain fairness, safety, and consistency while accommodating unique circumstances within our community.

13.1 Field Dimensions

BR follows Baseball Saskatchewan does specify diamond sizes, and they follow Baseball Canada guidelines for field dimensions. These specifications vary by age group and level of play. According to Baseball Saskatchewan resources:

Division	Base Paths	Home to 2 nd	Pitching Distance	Other
Rally Cap	60 ft	84 ft 10¼ in	40–42 ft (machine pitch)	No mound necessary / blue machine
11U	60 ft	84 ft 10¼ in	44 ft *	No mound necessary
13U	70 ft	99 ft	48 ft **	AAA Mound mandatory
15U	80 ft	113 ft 11½ in	54 ft	Mound mandatory
18U	90 ft	127 ft 3¾ in	60 ft 6 in	Mound mandatory

* For "A" Division, pitching distance shall be 37 feet from start of the season to May 31

** For "A" Division, pitching distance shall be 44 feet from start of the season to May 31.

13.2 Age Requirements

To ensure fairness and consistency across all divisions, player eligibility is determined by age as of January 1 – December 31 of the current playing season. This approach aligns with Baseball Saskatchewan and Baseball Canada standards:

- Players must meet the age range for their division as of January 1 – December 31.
- Girls may be granted a one-year overage allowance in most divisions.
- Rally Cap is designed for introductory players under 9 years old.
- Special exceptions (e.g., medical or developmental considerations) require league approval.

Division	Age Range
Rally Cap	4–8 years old *
11U	10–11 years old
13U	12–13 years old
15U	14–15 years old
18U	16–18 years old

* There is flexibility with placement in the divisions based on skill and development of player. Players aged 4 and 9 years old may play with Board approval.

13.3 Game Length

To ensure games run smoothly and finish on time, the following time limit rules apply:

- All regular-season games are 7 innings (see section 13.9 for time limits).
- No new inning shall begin after the time limit has expired.
- Playoff games must be completed in full unless otherwise directed by the league.

Division	Length of Game Requirements
Junior Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Games should be preceded by 30 minutes of practice (throwing, catching, batting and fun games). Games should be a maximum of three innings (90 minutes time limit, in total). No new inning shall be started after 1.5 hours of play.

Senior Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Six innings, or 90-minute time limit. It is expected that practices would be held outside of scheduled game times. No new inning shall be started after 1.5 hours of play.
11U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Games shall be 6 innings long
13U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Games shall be 7 innings long for AAA & AA, and 6 innings long for A
15U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Games shall be 7 innings long
18U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Games shall be 7 innings long

13.4 Scoring Maximums

To maintain competitive balance and a steady pace, the below scoring limits apply.

Division	Mercy Rules
Junior Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No scores will be kept.
Senior Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scores will be kept, by an official scorekeeper. There is a maximum of 6 runs per inning. Scores are not reported to BR.
11U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During league play, no more than six (6) runs may be scored by a team in one inning (in the event of an 'over the fence' home run, all runs will count). Any team that is 10 runs up after 4 innings or subsequent innings shall win that game.
13U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During league play, no more than eight (8) runs may be scored by a team in one inning (in the event of an 'over the fence' home run, all runs will count). Any team that is 10 runs up after five (5) innings or subsequent innings shall win that game. For 13U A, after four (4) or subsequent innings.
15U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During league play, no more than eight (8) runs may be scored by a team in one inning (in the event of an 'over the fence' home run, all runs will count). Any team that is 10 runs up after five (5) innings or subsequent innings shall win that game. AAA Divisions: follow SPBL rules.
18U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Division: Any team that is 10 runs up after 5 innings or subsequent innings shall win that game. AA & AAA Divisions: follow SPBL rules.

13.5 Substitutions

To promote fair participation and player development, the following substitution and minimum play requirements apply:

Division	Substitution Rules
Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unlimited substitutions. All players are to try every position at least once during the season.
11U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During league games, league tournaments and league playoffs, all players listed on the team roster shall bat. A pitcher removed from the mound may play in another position but shall not be permitted to return to pitch in the same game or in the day.

13U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All defensive substitutions shall retain their batting positions. ▪ During league games, all players listed on the team roster shall bat. This rule shall also apply for League Playoffs and BR tournaments for “A”, “AA” and “AAA” divisions ▪ Unlimited substitution is allowed, except for the pitching position. A pitcher removed from the mound may play in another position but shall not be permitted to return to pitch in the same game. ▪ All defensive substitutions shall retain their batting positions.
15U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A and AA divisions, all players listed on the team roster shall bat for league games, League Playoffs and BR tournaments. ▪ AAA games follow 9-man with EH (Extra Hitter) and DH options. ▪ Unlimited substitution is allowed, except for the pitching position. A pitcher removed from the mound may play in another position but shall not be permitted to return to pitch in the same game. ▪ All defensive substitutions shall retain their batting positions.
18U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AAA and AA games follow 9-man ball no re-entry rules.

13.6 Batting and Pitching

Pitch count rules are mandated and follow Baseball Saskatchewan guidelines

(<https://www.baseballsask.ca/player-programs/pitch-count>) exceptions are noted below:

- 11U: Curve balls are not allowed. Umpires will call a curve ball a “ball”
- 11U: For the “A” and “AA” divisions all batters shall start with the count of 1 and 1, including playoffs and BR sanctioned tournaments.

BR follows Baseball Saskatchewan bat regulations and guidelines

(<https://www.baseballsask.ca/about/bat-rules>)

13.7 Base Running

BR prioritizes player growth and skill development over simply advancing bases. The goal is to teach athletes the fundamentals of baseball, including situational awareness, teamwork, and strategic decision-making:

- Coaches are encouraged to teach proper base running techniques, such as reading the ball off the bat, tagging up, and understanding force plays.
- Players should learn when to advance and when to hold, rather than running automatically on every hit.
- Development in all aspects of the game (hitting, fielding, pitching, and base running) is essential to prepare players for higher levels of competition.
- Aggressive base running should be balanced with sportsmanship and safety to avoid unnecessary collisions or injuries.

In junior divisions, continuous is limited to ensure players focus on developing other core skills such as hitting, fielding, and pitching as noted below:

Division	Baserunning Requirements
Junior Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No stealing of base is allowed on pass balls or on overthrows ▪ Only one base will be allowed on a ball which hits the pitching machine ▪ The advance of base runners shall halt as soon as the ball enters the infield. The ball does not have to be caught or touched by an infielder
Senior Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Batter / runner or runners allowed only one base on an overthrow ▪ Only one base will be allowed on a ball which hits the pitching machine ▪ The advance of base runners shall halt as soon as the ball enters the infield. The ball does not have to be caught or touched by an infielder
11U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ There is no leading off. A base runner must stay in contact with the base until the pitched ball crosses the plate. Penalties as per Baseball Canada – Official Rules of Baseball.
13U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No limitations
15U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No limitations
18U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No limitations

13.8 Other

Division	Baserunning Requirements
Rally Cap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No “infield fly rule” or “bunting”. ▪ NO PROTESTS
11U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For the “A” Division only, players can only advance one (1) base on an overthrow and must be hit home or forced in by a walk. ▪ For the “A” and “AA” Divisions, no player can steal home on a passed ball between the pitcher and catcher. (in “AAA” Division players can steal home on a passed ball). ▪ During league games, league tournaments, and league playoffs, bunting will not be allowed.
15U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Metal cleats are allowed, unless otherwise noted by park officials
18U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Metal cleats are allowed, unless otherwise noted by park officials

13.9 Time Limits

There is no time limit to games, games must be played to completion, except under the following conditions:

- Games where another game immediately follows.
- Agreement by both coaches after 3 hours of game play and within mercy rule.
- Weather permitting.
- Rally Cap limited to 90 Minutes
- Doubleheaders (11U–18U, non-SPBL):
 - When the same two teams play both games and no additional game is scheduled on the same diamond, no time limit applies. Both games shall be played to completion in accordance with the age-division definition of a complete game.

- Weekend games (11U–18U A): When another game is scheduled on the same diamond, no new inning shall start more than 2 hours and 30 minutes after the scheduled start time. This applies to both games of a doubleheader when a third game follows. Back-to-back games against different opponents are not considered a doubleheader; the 2:30 no-new-inning rule applies to the first game.
- SBPL games must be played out until there is a winner.
 - There are NO time limits or tie games.

13.10 Extra Innings

All non-SPBL regular season games end in a tie.

Playoff games and SPBL use the international rule for tied games, where the final two hitters of the previous inning will begin on first and second, with none out (The second last hitter in your line up from the previous inning starts at second base, the last hitter in your line up from the previous inning starts at first base).

14. Rules and Regulations Governing Conflict Resolutions and Appeals

- 14.1 If an altercation occurs between two (2) or more parties as a result of BR activities and is reported to BR, the president of BR (or designate) shall notify the Board within one (1) day of the report of the altercation. The Board shall meet to investigate, conduct interviews with parties involved, discuss the situation and come to a conclusion.
- 14.2 The decision of the Board shall be rendered in written form by registered mail to the parties involved within seven (7) calendar days of the notification from the president of BR, with a copy being forwarded to the president of BR. The letter shall also contain the correct procedure to be followed should one or more of the parties wish to appeal the decision.
- 14.3 The appeal procedure shall be as follows:
- i. A registered letter is to be sent to the President of BR within five (5) days of the date of receipt of the registered letter.
 - ii. The president of the BR shall set up an appeal committee consisting of three (3) impartial individuals to hear the appeal within three (3) days of the receipt of the letter of appeal and heard at a neutral location for all parties concerned.
 - iii. Witnesses shall be obtained from all parties and contacted if the appeals committee should need additional information to render a fair decision

- iv. A registered letter stating the decision of the appeal committee shall be sent to the president of BR within seven (7) calendar days, who shall in turn, forward the decision to the appellant, with copies being sent to the other involved parties, the Baseball Sask, the Board, the umpire director and the zone governor.
- v. The decision of the appeal committee shall be final and binding.

Appendix A: Recommended Guidelines for Non-parent & Parent Coach Expenses

Team fees are to be set at a reasonable amount and included within the approved Team budget

Teams are expected to assist with coverage of the following expenses, which are included in team fees:

Travel:

- Gasoline expense for one non-parent coach vehicle. This is for out-of-town travel only to league games and tournaments.
- Team treasurer to reimburse original gas receipts or pay \$0.50/km.
- Parents may offer transportation within their vehicles for non-parent coaches.

Accommodation:

- One hotel room for the non-parent coach(es) with shared occupancy is to be covered by the team at approximately \$250/night, before taxes if not staying with a team specific hotel.
- Team treasurer to be provided with original receipts for reimbursement

Meals:

- Per diem of \$35 per full day for up to 2 non-parent coaches (or \$70 split between # of non-parent coaches).
- Only for overnight league play and tournaments.

Teams are to report their non-parent coach expenses to BR by August 31st of each season if requested.

Appendix B: Code of Conduct

Every member* with Baseball Regina is expected to represent themselves, their team and Baseball Regina in an appropriate manner. Any behavior that is determined to be inappropriate is reason for and may lead to expulsion from Baseball Regina without refund of fees for the remainder of the season. Baseball Regina Executive members reserve the right to implement disciplinary measures.

- All members are to respect the rules, their fellow teammates, coaches, opponents and officials at all baseball functions in which they are participants.
- All parents/guardians are to observe a 24-hour waiting period before contacting coaches, team or league officials with any complaint.
- All members are to not use profane language, ridicule or speak in a derogatory fashion or use physical violence at any time while representing Baseball Regina.
- All members are to not question the game official's judgment or honesty, only the head coach has the ability to question an official.

If a conflict arises at the team level between a parent/guardian, athlete and coach that cannot be resolved, the first form of resolution will be a meeting between the parent/guardian, athlete and team manager.

Should there be no resolution to the issue the parent/guardian, athlete or coach must provide a written complaint to Baseball Regina and request a meeting with the team manager and the Division Director.

All written complaints will be dealt with according to Baseball Regina's By-Laws.

Unsportsmanlike behavior is taken very seriously by Baseball Regina. Baseball Regina shall utilize the Code of Discipline (*Appendix C*) to manage unsportsmanlike behavior.

** Member includes all players, their families and coaches.*

Appendix C: Code of Discipline

- a) Applies to all season play.
- b) If Baseball Regina finds that the behavior of the player or coach warrants a more stringent suspension, they can change the suspension accordingly.
- c) Baseball Regina may investigate ejections and as a result of that investigation determine if an ejection will count towards the Minimum Suspension levels below.
- d) Coaches are responsible for knowing and following these Code of Discipline.
- e) All player and coach ejections in league, tournament and exhibition games must be dealt with immediately by the coach, and reported to the Division Director within 48 hours of the ejection or before the next scheduled game, whichever is earlier. Coaches failing to notify the Division Director are subject to suspension.
- f) Coaches must inform the opposing coaches that a player is suspended.
- g) Any players on suspension are expected to attend the game(s), are not allowed to interact with their team and must remain in the stands.
- h) Failure of a coach to sit a suspended player will result in forfeiture of the game and suspension of the coach that allowed the suspended player to play.

Minimum Coach Suspensions: [taking into account b) and c) above]

One coach ejection – No action from Baseball Regina

Two coach ejections - Automatic suspension from the next scheduled game*

Three coach ejections – Automatic suspension of the coach for the remainder of the season**

Minimum Player Suspensions: [taking into account b) and c) above]

One player ejection – No action from Baseball Regina

Two player ejections – Automatic suspension from play at the next scheduled game.*

Three player ejections - Automatic suspension from play for the next three scheduled games.*

Four player ejections – An automatic suspension for the remainder of the season**

Once a game ejection has been applied the player or coach is on probation. Probation will be for the remainder of the season, including playoffs.

* Regardless of whether the next game is during a tournament, a double-header or league game.

** Suspended until further review by Baseball Regina

Appendix D: Junior Rally Cap Program Format

(Incorporating the Baseball Canada Rally Cap Program)

Ages: 5 and 6 (4 with approval from Division Director and parent/guardian coaching) as of January 1 - December 31 of current year. If already completed 2 years of Junior Rally Cap, player may consider Senior Rally Cap.

Number of Coaches: 1 or 2 along with 1-2 parent helpers.

Concept:

Players' first experiences in baseball should be filled with active and engaging activities that are developmentally appropriate for their age. The Baseball Canada Rally Cap program introduces the game to children while developing skill in fun and entertaining manner. Three teams come to the baseball park for a 90 minute practice/game. The first 15 minutes is to organize and perform a skill warm-up with their coaches. When the official game begins – Team A and B will play a 20 minute game while Team C will be in the outfield with their coaches practicing hitting, fielding, running and throwing. Teams rotate taking 10 minutes to reorganize with Team B and C playing a 20 minute game and A practicing in outfield. Final rotation occurs for Team A to play C and B practices. Coaches will be provided with activity cards that they can use in the outfield for practice ideas.

The Rally Cap Program is Baseball Canada's official initiation program. It was designed specifically for young baseball players and aims to increase interest in baseball at young ages. Players will demonstrate their skill level early in the season following Baseball Canada's Rally Cap report card. Baseball Saskatchewan Association will designate a Rally Cap week in June for players to achieve their Baseball Canada Rally Cap by demonstrating their skills once again. There are different colored Baseball Canada Caps that players will earn according to baseball skill levels. BR's Rally Cap Director(s) will assist in organizing the Rally Cap events.

General Rules:

- 8-10 players on team –no more than 10 on a team!
- All players are on the field for defense.
- Players on defense will rotate positions at each inning.
- Catcher can be used when teams go to the pitching machine in June.
- Use of tee for first half of season unless player is capable of hitting from the pitching machine (coach's discretion).
- Pitching machine (Blue Flame) is to be used full time as of June 1st unless a player's skill level continues to require the batting tee. (coach's discretion)
- When using the pitching machine if player does not put the ball in play after the 4th pitch/foul ball the player will hit off the tee.

- Every inning the team at bat will start with loaded bases (increases activity level).
- Players will stop advancing once a defensive player fields the ball and throws it in the direction of the coach positioned in the infield. No advance on overthrows.
- Base paths should be 45 feet.
- Players at bat must hit the ball past the designated line in front of the plate in order to be considered a "fair ball". This line should be about 5 feet directly in front of home plate. If the tee is hit and not the ball then the player gets to try again. No line will be used , coaches to use their judgment.