



Policy 6: Rep and Select Tryouts

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PURPOSE

This policy outlines the information regarding processes and procedures as it relates to Kitchener Minor Baseball Association (KMBA) rep and select tryout practices.

TRYOUT REGISTRATION AND FEES

- Interested players will register for try-outs online only – timing will be communicated to all current players and the broader community as soon as possible.
- Players 12U and older will be asked to identify positions that they would like to be evaluated for during registration.
- Players will try out for rep and select programming at a fee determined annually by the KMBA Board of Directors.

EVALUATION

- Evaluation panels will be utilized where possible to shape all rosters, this may not always be possible.
- Coaches may choose to have current players sit out the first evaluation night to concentrate on new players
- Players will be evaluated based on their registration responses – for example, if you did not choose catcher, you will not be evaluated in that position.
- All players should be prepared to throw a bullpen for 10U and older.
- KMBA expects coaches to employ a wide variety of evaluative strategies including, but not limited to:
 - Stations on the diamond, in the outfield
 - Batting cages
 - Bullpen areas
 - Player interviews and surveys
 - Exhibition Game format via split squad or against another tryout roster

ROSTER SELECTIONS

- Any players being rostered or released will be notified via email or online in a confidential manner.

- Rep Roster selections will take place during age group specific roster selection meetings and will start with the top team and then move through the Baseball Ontario registered rosters. All head coaches in the age group will deliberate and create the rosters together. In the event that there are not 8 players and a secured head coach for a team on October 15th, a team will not be formed, and the players will be given details for our select tryouts and our house league program. If a team is formed, it must have a full roster by February 15th, or the team will fold and the players will be given details for our HL Program.
- Where possible, KMBA will seek to communicate program fees for the upcoming season prior to tryouts

REVIEW AND UPDATES

This policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure its effectiveness and compliance with relevant laws, regulations, and best practices. Updates or revisions to the policy will be incorporated into KMBA's governance practices as necessary.

By adhering to this policy, we uphold the values of integrity, accountability, and transparency within KMBA and demonstrate our commitment to serving the best interests of the organization and its members.

Any questions, concerns, or requests regarding this policy, please contact the President.