



Policy 14: REP PLAYING TIME

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PURPOSE

The Kitchener Minor Baseball Association (KMBA) promotes fair play amongst its' athletes. This policy is to identify the minimum playing time rules for players playing rep baseball for KMBA. Due to the competitive nature of the league these teams play in, fair play does not mean equal playing time. Fair play means players must all play a minimum number of defensive innings during the playing season.

PROCEDURE

8U – 15U Divisions

Regular Season

- All players must play a minimum percentage of defensive innings for:
 - Regular Season ICBA games
 - Exhibition games
 - ICBA playoff games
 - OBA/Out of country tournaments games
- Minimum player time percentage for defensive innings is:
 - 12 players – 66%
 - 13 players – 60%
 - 14 players – 55%

Tournaments

Coaches will make every effort to maximize playing time for all players at tournaments, ICBA and OBA playoff games. In appreciation of the level of competitiveness at these events, equal playing time may not be achieved. No player will sit for 2 consecutive games in any tournament, ICBA, or OBA playoff games. A minimum of one inning is to be played by each player in two games.

16U to 18U Divisions

Regular

- All players must play a minimum of 50% of defensive innings.

- A player brought onto the team exclusively as a pitcher or catcher may sit less or more than 50% of defensive innings provided this exception was identified to the player in writing prior to being selected to the team.

Tournaments

Coaches will make every effort to maximize playing time for all players at tournaments, ICBA and OBA playoff games. In appreciation of the level of competitiveness at these events, equal playing time may not be achieved. However, no player will sit for 2 consecutive games in any tournament, ICBA, or OBA playoff games. A minimum of one inning is to be played by each player in two games.

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 or Vice President. We will update this policy periodically to reflect any changes in our practices or legal requirements.