

Cloverdale Minor Baseball General Information and Policies

Overview

• The mailing address of Cloverdale Minor Baseball is:

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 Cloverdale Minor Baseball's home field is the Cloverdale Ball Park located at – 17383 61A Ave, Surrey, BC.

- Copies of the Constitution/Bylaws and General Operating policies are available to Members on request to the League Secretary or online @ www.cloverdalebaseball.com
- Except where provided for in Cloverdale Minor Baseball Association Constitution and Bylaws no one is permitted to incur any debts on behalf of CMBA without prior approval of the Executive.
- In June of each year, CMBA will hold an Annual General Meeting, which is open to all members of the Association to attend. This meeting is to put ideas forward, ask questions, elect new Executive and Board of Directors and to volunteer for the following season.
- Baseball practices are an important part of the development of the player's skills and attitude
 towards the game. It's the responsibility of each player's parent to have their child attend the
 scheduled practices. If a player cannot attend a practice or game the parent should advise the
 Coach.
- Parents wishing to discuss any matter related to the welfare of a player shall first approach a team
 official. If they were unable to resolve the questions then the next step would be to contact their
 Division Coordinator. Then, if they are unable to resolve the questions then an appeal in writing
 should be made to the President of Cloverdale Minor Baseball.
- The Association President will be the central booking authority for the Association Meeting Clubhouse.
- All Coaches, Managers, Players and Umpires are to refrain from the following:
 - > Smoking on the field or in or near the dugout.
 - Abusive Language.
 - > Conflict with parents, fans and umpires.
 - > Deliberately attempting to demoralize any opposing player or team.
 - > Fighting.
 - > Abusive use of equipment.
 - Bringing alcoholic beverages to the park.

Penalty – Ejection from game and/or park. All ejections will be reviewed by the CMBA Executive for further disciplinary action.

- Players in CMBA must provide their own batting helmet with chinstrap. Helmets must be worn for batting, warming up in the on deck circle and base running. It is mandatory that all players wear athletic supporters.
- CMBA shall be governed by rules in the following priority:
 - CMBA House Rules first,
 - League Interlock Rules (when applicable) second,
 - BC Minor Baseball Association Rules third,

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- > Canadian Federation of Amateur Baseball rules fourth.
- No protests are allowed in Blastball, T-Ball, Super T, Tadpole or Mosquito (ie: games will not be replayed due to incorrect rule interpretation). Complaints must be presented to the League Executive Committee in writing, within 72 hours of the incident, or they will not be considered.
- Blastball and T-Ball players will receive a T-shirt and baseball hat that they may keep. All other
 players in CMBA will receive a full uniform to use for 1 season. This uniform must be returned, in
 good condition, at the end of each season. Failure to do so will result in the Uniform deposit
 cheque being cashed. No uniform deposit is required for players in Blastball or T-Ball.
- For the purpose of drafting and creating fair teams, each player in Tadpole, Mosquito, Pee Wee and Bantam is required to attend an evaluation day in early March. Attendance is mandatory for participation on "AA" & "AAA" teams.
- Calling up from a lower division The maximum number of games a player may play in an older age group (to include league and/or exhibition and/or tournament and/or playoffs) will be as follows:

Tadpole players: 5 games plus one tournament at the Mosquito level only.
 Mosquito players: 3 games plus one tournament at the Pee Wee level only.
 Pee Wee players: 3 games plus one tournament at the Bantam level only.

> Bantam players: 8 games at the Midget level only.

Midget players: 12 games at a higher level.

** Players being called up will not be allowed to pitch except Midget may pitch in Junior **

Both Division Coordinators and the players Coach must be notified of the name of the player being called up, to ensure that the player is eligible. The penalty for the fourth game up is the player cannot return to their age division for the balance of the year, including all league, playoffs, and provincial competition. The player must receive the same treatment as regular players, and must not play more innings than a regular team player.

Movement within a division – ie: Bantam AA to Bantam AAA will not be interpreted as movement up for the purposes of this rule.

- Requests to be moved up to a higher division for a season may be granted to those wanting to move into Super-T and Tadpole one year earlier than their age allows. No player will be able to move past Tadpole earlier than their age, therefore they will either have to play 2 years of Super-T or 3 years of Tadpole. This request will only be granted, providing that there is room in the upper division AND that the move does not affect the numbers in the current division. When requesting to move to Tadpole early, it is mandatory that the player come to the Tadpole Evaluations. A decision will be made after the evaluation day of each year.
- The Association will host a "Fun Day" on the Spring season closing day. This event is our end of the season wind-up for the Association. The day starts at 10am with various games set up in the park and ends around noon with the awards presentation for the Tadpole and upper divisions. This event is free to all registered players and their siblings. All-star games in Tadpole and Mosquito will follow the awards presentation.
- The Association will pay for all teams to enter 1 tournament per Spring Season team, 2 tournaments per Summer Season team (up to a maximum amount of \$1000 combined), 2 tournaments per non-subsidized Single Season team (up to a maximum amount of \$1000 combined), and 1 tournament per Fall Season team.

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- The Association will not pay for umpires for exhibition games. The coaches of the participating teams should split the cost of the umpires, and if necessary each coach should split the cost amongst the parents of the players on their team playing in that game.
- There will be 3 programs offered by CMBA in a season:
 - A Spring season will run from the beginning of April thru to the end of June and will be house play for T-Ball, Super-T, Tadpole and Mosquito. Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget will play interlock and will offer "A", "AA" and sometimes "AAA" levels.
 - Summer All-Star's will run from the beginning of July thru to early to mid August for Tadpole, Mosquito, Pee Wee, Bantam & Midget. There will be "A","AA" and sometimes "AAA" levels of interlock play. These teams (except Tadpole) have a chance to compete in the Provincial Finals. There is a small registration fee for the Summer All-Star program and all travel costs are the responsibility of the player's family.
 - Bantam AA, Bantam AAA and Midget AAA teams will play a Single Season, which runs from the beginning or April early August, culminating with the Provincial Championship Tournament should the team qualify. Teams may also qualify to attend Western or National Championship tournaments.
 - A Fall season which will run the month of September thru to early October. This program offers an informal Fall Ball season devoted to the increased development for the following year. Players eligible for Pee Wee Fall ball are those that will be playing Pee Wee in the next Spring season (players that played 2nd year Mosquito or 1st year Pee Wee THIS season). Likewise, players who will play Bantam next year are eligible to play Bantam fall ball THIS year. Cloverdale's Pee Wee fall ball team historically enters the Coquitlam fall ball tournament on the Labour Day weekend but otherwise all games played are exhibitions. There is no build up to Provincials or League Championships, just fun and learning.

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