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**PLAYING RULES, POLICIES AND
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By-law of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association

Section 1 – General

Definitions

In this By-law and all other By-laws of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. “Act” means the Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, 2010 (Ontario) and, where the context requires, includes the regulations made under it, as amended or re-enacted from time to time;
- b. “Association” means the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association;
- c. “Board” means the Board of Directors of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association;
- d. “By-laws” means this By-law (including the schedules to this By-law) and all other By-laws of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association as amended and which are, from time to time, in force and effect;
- e. “Chair” means the Chair of the Board;
- f. “Director” means an individual occupying the position of Director of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association by whatever name they are called;
- g. “Member” means a Member of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association;
- h. “Officer” means an Officer of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association;
- i. “Ordinary Resolution” means a resolution passed by a majority of the votes cast on that resolution or consented to by all voting Members entitled to vote on that resolution;
- j. “Special Resolution” means a resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the votes cast on that resolution. Special Resolutions considered by the Members must be submitted to a Special Meeting of the Members unless each Member present at the meeting consents to the resolution; and
- k. “Extraordinary Resolution” means a resolution passed by not less than eighty (80) percent of the votes cast on that resolution.

1.01 Interpretation

Other than as specified in section 1.01, all terms contained in this By-law that are defined in the Act shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Act. Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa.

1.02 Severability and Precedence

The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this By-law shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this By-law. If any of the provisions contained in the By-laws are inconsistent with those contained in the articles or the Act, the provisions contained in the articles or the Act as the case may be, shall prevail.

1.03 Execution of Documents

Deeds, transfers, assignments, contracts, obligations and other instruments in writing requiring execution by the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association may be signed by any two of its Officers or Directors. In addition, the Board may from time to time direct the manner in which and the person by whom a particular document may affix the corporate seal, if any, to the document. Any Director or Officer may certify a copy of any instrument, resolution, By-law or other document of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association to be a true copy thereof.

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Section 2 - Directors

2.01 Election and Term

Nominations

Officers and Directors to be elected at the General Meeting shall be nominated (in writing) from the membership of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association. The nomination must be in the hands of the Secretary no later than 30 days prior to the date of the General Meeting. In order for a name to remain on the ballot, a nominee must so request at the Annual Meeting in person or must have indicated to the Secretary in writing prior to the election

The Directors shall be elected by the Members by Ordinary Resolution at the annual meeting. The term of office of the Directors (subject to the provisions, if any, of the articles) shall be from the date of the meeting at which they are elected or appointed until the next annual meeting or until their successors are elected or appointed.

The number of Directors to be elected at the General Meeting will be a minimum of 7 up to a maximum of 12 to fill the roles of President, the First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President, six elected Directors and the Treasurer, Secretary and Registrar, (who may be 2 or 3 distinct persons but the Treasurer and Registrar MAY NOT be the same person).

Those Past Presidents who wish to remain active within the Association can either:

- a. run for election as one of the 12 Directors;
- b. be nominated to be appointed as a Director by the President and ratified by the Board (maximum of 4 appointees);
- c. serve as a Member of the Operational Committee.

The Immediate Past President of the Association (if not elected or appointed to the Board) and up to four (4) Life Members will be invited to serve as a Board Observer and attend meetings of the Board in a non-voting capacity provided this individual is interested in serving in the position and has been approved by Ordinary Resolution of the Board. Board Observers are not Directors.

An individual who is elected or appointed to be a Director must consent in writing to hold office as a Director before or within ten (10) days of their election or appointment. Any individual who does not provide consent within the time limit is not a Director and is deemed not to have been elected or appointed to hold office as a Director. The requirement to consent does not apply to a Director who is re-elected or reappointed when there has been no break in their term of office.

2.02 Vacancies

The office of a Director shall be vacated immediately:

- a. if the Director resigns office by written notice, which resignation shall be effective at the time it is received or at the time specified in the notice, whichever is later;
- b. if the Director dies or becomes bankrupt;
- c. if the Director is found to be incapable by a court or incapable of managing property under Ontario law; or
- d. if, at a Special Meeting of the Members, the Members by ordinary resolution remove the Director before the expiration of the Director's term of office.

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2.03 Filling Vacancies

- a. If throughout the year, the situation arises such that less than three (3) Directors are remaining, a special meeting of the members shall be convened to elect additional Directors, otherwise a resignation of a Director does not create a vacancy on the Board.
- b. When the position of a Director becomes vacant for whatever reason and there is still a quorum of Directors, the Board may appoint a qualified individual to fill the position for the remainder of the term. Alternatively, the Board may decide, by Ordinary Resolution, that one or more Directors will execute the duties of the vacant Director position for the remainder of the unexpired term. If a Director is removed by the Members at a meeting of the Members, the Members may elect a Director to fill the unexpired term at the same meeting

2.04 Resignation or Removal

- a. A Director may resign from the Board at any time by presenting their notice of resignation to the Board. This resignation will become effective the date on which the notice is received by the Secretary or at the time specified in the notice, whichever is later. When a Director who is subject to a disciplinary investigation or action of the Association resigns, that Director will nonetheless be subject to any sanctions or consequences resulting from the disciplinary investigation or action.
- b. Vacate Office – The office of any Director will be vacated automatically if:
 - i. The Director resigns;
 - ii. The Director is found to be incapable of managing property by a court or under Ontario law;
 - iii. The Director is found by a court to be incapable;
 - iv. The Director becomes bankrupt; or
 - v. The Director dies.
- c. Removal – An elected Director may be removed by Ordinary Resolution of the Members at a Special Meeting of the Members provided the Director has been given reasonable written notice of, and the opportunity to be present and to be heard at, such a meeting

2.05 Committees

Committees may be established by the Board as follows:

- a. The Board may appoint from their number a managing Director or a Committee of Directors and may delegate to the managing Director or Committee any of the powers of the Directors except those powers set out in the *Act* that are not permitted to be delegated.
- b. Subject to the limitations on delegation set out in the *Act*, the Board may establish any Committee it determines necessary for the execution of the Board's responsibilities.

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The Board shall determine the composition and terms of reference for any such Committee. The Board may dissolve any Committee by resolution at any time.

- c. The Officers and Directors will establish an Operational Committee and may seek out and recommend individuals to volunteer to fill specific roles if those roles are not first filled from within the Board; such recommendations to be approved by a simple majority of the votes cast by the Directors. The Committee will include a representative from each Local Associations within the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association which operated 3 or more teams in the previous baseball season. These Local Association representatives and any other non-Board members on the Operational Committee do not assume the position of a Director of the Association by filling these roles. The Operational Committee will be charged with the tasks associated with running the various programs of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association and may establish Sub-committees within its mandate.
- d. A Sub-committee of four (4) or more (three to constitute a quorum), shall be appointed by the President, he being an ex-officio member of each Sub-committee. The duties of such Committee or Committees shall be to consider matters of reinstatement, suspension, protests or matters which might otherwise be dealt with by the Board and generally to act on behalf of the Board. When any unusual situation arises the Sub-committee may, if it so desires, defer to the Board for further consideration. Decisions of the Sub-committee, with the exception of the decisions of a Protest Committee may be appealed and then dealt with by the Board at its next regular meeting, except in cases which, in the opinion of the President, are of such emergency as to require a special Board Meeting to be called.
- e. A Sub-Committee shall meet from time to time as the need arises or as directed by the President or Board.
- f. A Sub-committee comprised of Past Presidents shall be appointed annually. The duties of the Committee shall be to act upon request, in an advisory capacity to the President, to the Board or to a Sub-committee.
- g. In order to ensure that there are viable candidates for all positions on the Board of Directors, the President will appoint a Nominating Committee whose function it is to search out candidates for the various positions and ensure that there are nominations for all positions. The Committee must make any nominations that they wish to put forward within the timeline and manner described in the By-laws. The Committee will be comprised of the active Past Presidents on the Board and the two current Officers having served the longest length of time.

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- h. The Board will appoint a Head Commissioner whose responsibility will be to chair a Committee of Commissioners and set Championship, and playdown formats as well as regular season schedules (number of game and Divisional matchups if required) and the updating process for the web-site results.

2.06 Remuneration of Directors

The Directors shall serve as such without remuneration and no Director shall directly or indirectly receive any profit from occupying the position of Director; subject to the following:

- a. Directors may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses they incur in the performance of their Directors' duties;
- b. Directors may be paid remuneration and reimbursed for expenses incurred in connection with services they provide to the Association in their capacity other than as Directors, provided that the amount of any such remuneration or reimbursement is:
 - i. considered reasonable by the Board;
 - ii. approved by the Board for payment by resolution passed before payment is such made; and
 - iii. in compliance with the conflict of interest provisions of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association.

Section 3 – Board Meetings

3.01 Calling of Meetings

Meetings of the Directors may be called by the Chair or any two Directors at any time and any place on notice as required by this By-law.

3.02 Regular Meetings

The Board may fix the place and time of regular Board meetings and send a copy of the resolution fixing the place and time of such meetings to each Director, and no other notice shall be required for any such meetings.

- a. A Quorum for Board meetings shall be 5 of the elected Directors.
- b. The rules of order for Board meetings will be the most current version of Robert's Rules of Order.

Only Board Members and approved Board Observers may attend Board meetings.

3.03 Notice

Notice of the time and place for the holding of a meeting of the Board shall be given in the manner provided in Section 10 of this By-law to every Director not less than seven days before the date that the meeting is to be held. Notice of a meeting is not necessary if all of the Directors are present, and none objects to the holding of the meeting, or if those absent have waived notice or have otherwise signified their consent to the holding of such meeting. If a quorum of Directors is present, each newly elected or appointed Board may, without notice, hold its first meeting immediately following the annual meeting.

3.04 Chair

The Chair shall preside at Board meetings. In the absence of the Chair, the Directors present shall choose one of their number to act as the Chair.

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3.05 Voting

Each Director has one vote. Questions arising at any Board meeting shall be decided by an Ordinary Resolution. In case of an equality of votes, the Chair shall not have a second or casting vote.

3.06 Method of Holding Meetings

Meetings of the Board of Directors are to be held in-person. A meeting of the Board may be held by telephone conference call or by means of other telecommunications technology. Directors who participate in a meeting by telecommunications technology are considered to have attended the meeting. Additionally, for an in-person meeting of the Board, a Director may, if all the Directors of the Association consent, participate in a meeting of the Directors by telephonic or electronic means provided that all participants are able to adequately communicate during the meeting.

Section 4 – Financial

4.01 Banking

The Board shall by resolution from time to time designate the bank in which the money, bonds or other securities of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association shall be placed for safekeeping.

4.02 Financial Year

The financial year ends on October 31 in each year or on such other date as the Board may from time to time by resolution determine.

4.03 Auditor, Books and Records

- a. At each Annual Meeting the Members may appoint an Auditor to audit or conduct a review engagement of the books, accounts and records of the Association in accordance with the Act. The Auditor will hold office until the next Annual Meeting. The Auditor will not be an employee, Officer, or Director of the Association and must be permitted to conduct an audit or review engagement of the Association under the *Public Accounting Act, 2004*, as amended. When the Association's revenue for the previous fiscal year was less than the amount prescribed in the Act, the Members may decline, by Extraordinary Resolution, to appoint an Auditor. Alternatively, when the Association's revenue for the previous fiscal year was greater than the amount prescribed in the Act, the Members may, by Extraordinary Resolution, chose to conduct a review engagement in lieu of an audit.
- b. The Directors will approve financial statements (evidenced by signature of one or more Directors) of the Association of the last fiscal year of the Association but not more than six (6) months before the Annual Meeting and present the approved financial statements before the Members at every Annual Meeting. A copy of the Annual Financial Statements will be provided to any Member requesting a copy of the Financial Statements not less than twenty-one (21) days before the Annual Meeting. The Financial Statements will include:
 - i. The financial statements;
 - ii. The Auditor's report or review engagement (if any); and
 - iii. Any further information respecting the financial position of the Association.

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- c. The necessary books and records of the Association required by these By-laws or by applicable law will be necessarily and properly kept. The books and records include, but are not limited to:
 - i. The Association's Articles and By-laws;
 - ii. The minutes of meetings of the Members and of any Committee of Members;
 - iii. The resolutions of the Members and of any Committee of Members;
 - iv. The minutes of meetings of the Directors or any Committee of Directors;
 - v. The resolutions of the Directors and of any Committee of Directors;
 - vi. A register of Directors;
 - vii. A register of Officers;
 - viii. A register of Members; and
 - ix. Account records adequate to enable the Directors to ascertain the financial position of the Association on a quarterly basis.

- d. Minutes of meetings of the Board and Board Resolutions are confidential and may only be open for inspection by Members in good standing by request to the Board.

Section 5 – Officers

5.01 Officers

The Board shall appoint from among the Directors a Chair at its first meeting following the general membership meeting. Officer positions of President, First Vice-president, Second Vice-president, Treasurer, Secretary and Registrar were all pre-determined by the membership election of Directors at the General Meeting.

5.02 Office Held at Board's Discretion

Any Officer shall cease to hold office upon resolution of the Board. Unless so removed, an Officer shall hold office until the earlier of:

- a. the Officer's successor being appointed,
- b. the Officer's term as a Director expiring (when applicable);
- c. the Officer's resignation, or
- d. such Officer's death.

5.03 Duties

Officers shall be responsible for the duties assigned to them and they may delegate to others the performance of any or all such duties. The Officers shall take action or make decisions on behalf of the Directors in situations where required between Board meetings and shall report all actions and decisions made to the Board at the next meeting. Decisions or actions that are not immediately required to be made shall be tabled for discussion and debate and shall be voted upon. All actions taken by the Officers are subject to ratification, variation or rescission by a quorum of the Board at the next meeting.

5.04 Duties of the Chair

The Chair shall perform the duties described in sections 3.04 and 9.05 and such other duties as may be required by law or as the Board may determine from time to time.

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5.05 Duties of the President

The President shall perform the duties described in Schedule A and such other duties as may be required by law or as the Board may determine from time to time.

5.06 Duties of the Treasurer

The Treasurer shall perform the duties described in Schedule B and such other duties as may be required by law or as the Board may determine from time to time.

5.07 Duties of the Secretary

The Secretary shall perform the duties described in Schedule C and such other duties as may be required by law or as the Board may determine from time to time.

5.08 Duties of the Registrar

The Registrar shall perform the duties described in Schedule D and such other duties as may be required by law or as the Board may determine from time to time.

5.09 Duties of the Vice-president(s)

The Vice-president(s) shall perform the duties described in Schedule E and such other duties as may be required by law or as the Board may determine from time to time.

Section 6 – Protection of Directors and Officers

6.01 Protection of Directors and Officers

No Director, Officer or Committee Member is liable for the acts, neglects or defaults of any other Director, Officer, Committee Member or employee or for joining in any receipt or for any loss, damage or expense happening to the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association through the insufficiency or deficiency of title to any property acquired by resolution of the Board or for or on behalf of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association or for the insufficiency or deficiency of any security in or upon which any of the money of or belonging to the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association shall be placed out or invested or for any loss or damage arising from the bankruptcy, insolvency or tortious act of any person, firm or Corporation with whom or which any moneys, securities or effects shall be lodged or deposited or for any other loss, damage or misfortune whatever which may happen in the execution of the duties of his or her respective office or trust provided that they have:

- a. complied with the *Act* and the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association's Articles and By-laws; and
- b. exercised their powers and discharged their duties in accordance with the *Act*.

Section 7 – Conflict of Interest

7.01 Conflict of Interest

A Director who is a party to a material contract or transaction or proposed material contract or transaction or is a Director or Officer of, or has a material interest in, any person who is a party to a material contract or transaction or proposed material contract or transaction shall make the disclosure required by the *Act*. Except as provided by the *Act*, no such Director shall attend any part of a meeting of Directors during which the contract or transaction is discussed or vote on any resolution to approve any such contract or transaction.

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Section 8 – Members

8.01 Members

Membership shall consist of two classes of Members, namely Class A Members and Class B Members.

- a. Class A Members – Individuals
The following are included in the class dealing with individuals: the Charter Members, Life Members, Honourary Members, Past Presidents, and those holding a current position on the Board.
- b. Class B Members - Local Associations and Direct Entries. Those Baseball Associations and Clubs that shall agree to abide by and comply with the By-laws and Rules of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association.

8.02 Membership

A membership in the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association is not transferable and automatically terminates if the Member resigns or such membership is otherwise terminated in accordance with the Act. The following apply to membership in the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association.

- a. All Member Associations shall file with the Secretary of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association a description of the Local Association boundaries prior to April 1st of each year. Approval of the boundaries shall be obtained from the Board prior to submission to the Secretary.
- b. The status of all Associations affiliated with the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association is defined as territorial rights. The boundaries of each having been approved by the Board. Any new Association(s) which does not conflict with any established Association, who desire to affiliate with the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association and Ontario Baseball Association must first be approved by the Board.
- c. All applications for Direct Entry must be approved by the Board before being accepted.
- d. Life Membership can only be conferred on the recommendation of the Board for long continuous and faithful service and where a definite desire exists to retain their active service with an official status. The total number of Life Members shall not exceed four. Future Life Members are to be selected from the Honourary Members.
- e. Honourary Membership may be conferred by the Board for outstanding continuous and meritorious service. An Honourary Member will have the right to vote, at Annual or Special General Meetings.
- f. Individuals are Members by being one of the Charter Members, Life Members, Honourary Members, Past Presidents or elected to the current Board.
- g. Baseball Associations or Direct Entry Teams are members if accepted for membership by the Board.

8.03 Disciplinary Act or Termination of Membership for Cause

Any Member may be suspended indefinitely or removed from office for conduct detrimental, at a meeting of the Board, upon a resolution approved by $\frac{3}{4}$ of the votes cast in respect of such resolution. The notice must be given at least 15 calendar days prior to the Board meeting, to all

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Members of the Board and the Member, of the intention to bring such a resolution before the meeting.

Any Member of who is suspended does not have a vote on any matters nor can any position within the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association be held. Once a Member is suspended, that decision can be reviewed once at a future board meeting at the request only of the suspended Member. Once the board has reviewed the matter, no further reviews/appeals will be allowed until 12 months have passed.

Section 9 – Members’ Meetings

9.01 Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting shall be held on such date, time and place as determined by the Board within the Province of Ontario. The Annual Meeting will be held within fifteen (15) months of the last Annual Meeting and within six (6) months of the Association’s fiscal year end. Any Member, upon request, will be provided, not less than ten (10) days before the Annual Meeting, with a copy of the approved financial statements, Auditor’s report (if any) or review engagement report (if any).

The business transacted at the annual meeting may include:

- a. Receipt of the Agenda,
- b. Receipt of the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting and any Special Meeting during the year.
- c. Administrator/Secretary’s Report.
- d. Treasurer’s Report.
- e. Auditor’s Report.
- f. Correspondence.
- g. Reports of Board Committees
- h. Consideration of Reports.
- i. Amendments - Notice of Motion.
- j. Election of Officers and Directors
- k. General Business.
- l. Annual Meeting Site for the following year.

* General Business may be conducted during the period(s) of time required for the counting of any election ballots.

No other item of business shall be included on the agenda for annual meeting unless a Member has given notice to the Association of any matter that the Member proposes to raise at the meeting in accordance with the *Act*, so that such item of new business can be included in the notice of annual meeting.

9.02 Special Meetings

The Directors may call a Special Meeting of the Members. The Board shall call a Special Meeting on written requisition of the Members who hold at least 10 per cent of votes that may be cast at the meeting sought to be held or at the request of 3 of the member Associations, within 21 days after receiving the requisition unless the *Act* provides otherwise.

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9.03 Notice

Subject to the *Act*, not less than 10 and not more than 50 days written notice of any Annual or Special Members' Meeting shall be given in the manner specified in the *Act* to each Member, each Director and to the Auditor or person appointed to conduct a review engagement. Notice of any meeting where special business will be transacted must contain sufficient information to permit the Members to form a reasoned judgment on the decision to be taken, and state the text of any special resolution to be submitted to the meeting.

9.04 Quorum

A quorum for the transaction of business at a Members' meeting is 25% of the total of the Individual Members and Local Association Delegates entitled to vote at the meeting. If a quorum is present at the opening of a meeting of the Members, the Members present may proceed with the business of the meeting, even if a quorum is not present throughout the meeting.

9.05 Chair of the Meeting

The President in his role as Chair shall be the chair of the Members' meeting; in the Chair's absence, the Members present at any Members' meeting shall choose another Director as Chair and if no Director is present or if all of the Directors present decline to act as Chair, the Members present shall choose one of their number to chair the meeting.

9.06 Voting of Members

Business arising at any Members' meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes unless otherwise required by the *Act* or the By-law provided that:

- a. each Individual Member shall be entitled to one vote at any meeting while Member Associations will be entitled to have a number of Delegates entitled to vote based on the following:
 - i. Each Affiliated Association having entered teams in the previous year in at least five (5) series shall be entitled to one (1) delegate vote as an Association.
 - ii. A Delegate may only vote as a duly appointed representative of the Association or Team or Club through which he is registered.
 - iii. The Local Association or Direct Entry is entitled to a delegate vote for teams entered into competition in the season immediately prior to the General Meeting in accordance with the following: 1-5 teams = one (1) delegate vote, 6-10 teams = one (1) additional delegate vote, 11-15 teams = one (1) more additional delegate vote, 15-20 teams = one (1) more additional vote, 21 and more teams = one (1) final delegate vote.
 - iv. No Delegate shall be permitted to speak or vote at an Annual or Special Meeting unless they have filed with the Secretary, a certificate of appointment, signed by the Secretary of the Association or Club which is being represented.
 - v. An Association or Team or Club must have operated the previous season under the jurisdiction of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association before having the right to voice or vote at an Annual or Special Meeting.
 - vi. No Delegate from an Association or Club in arrears to the EOBA in any way, shall be permitted to vote at a Membership Meeting providing notice of said arrears has been given in writing to the Association or Club one (1) Month

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prior to the Annual Meeting or Special Meeting. Such Association or Club shall be considered suspended from membership per Section 8.03 of these By-laws but without need for a vote from the Board.

- b. Votes shall be taken by a show of hands among all Members and Delegates present and the Chair of the meeting, if a Member, shall have a vote.
- c. An abstention shall not be considered a vote cast.
- d. Before or after a show of hands has been taken on any question, the Chair of the meeting may require, or any Member may demand, a written ballot. A written ballot so required or demanded shall be taken in such manner as the Chair of the meeting shall direct.
- e. If there is a tie vote, the Chair of the meeting shall require a written ballot, and shall not have a second or casting vote. If there is a tie vote upon written ballot, the motion is lost; and
- f. whenever a vote by show of hands is taken on a question, unless a written ballot is required or demanded, a declaration by the Chair of the meeting that a resolution has been carried or lost and an entry to that effect in the minutes shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of votes recorded in favour of or against the motion.
- g. Proxy voting is not allowed at membership meetings.
- h. General Meetings and Special Meetings of the membership shall be held in person; meeting by electronic means is not allowed.

9.07 Adjournments

The Chair may, with the majority consent of any Members' meeting, adjourn the same from time to time and no notice of such adjournment need be given to the Members, unless the meeting is adjourned by one or more adjournments for an aggregate of 30 days or more. Any business may be brought before or dealt with at any adjourned meeting which might have been brought before or dealt with at the original meeting in accordance with the notice calling the same.

9.08 Persons Entitled to be Present

The only persons entitled to attend a Members' meeting are the individual Members, the Association Members' Delegates, the Directors, the Auditor or the person who has been appointed to conduct a review engagement, if any, and others who are entitled or required under any provision of the *Act* or the articles or the By-laws of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association to be present at the meeting. Any other person may be admitted only if invited by the Chair of the meeting or with the majority consent of the Members present at the meeting.

Section 10 – Notices

10.01 Service

Any notice required to be sent to any Member or Director or to the Auditor or person who has been appointed to conduct a review engagement shall be delivered personally, or sent by prepaid mail, facsimile, email or other electronic means to any such Member at the Member's latest address as shown in the records; and to such Director at their latest address as shown in the records or in the most recent notice or return filed under the *Corporations Information Act*, whichever is the more current; and to the Auditor or the person who has been appointed to conduct a review engagement at its business address; provided always that notice may be waived

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or the time for giving the notice may be abridged at any time with the consent in writing of the person entitled thereto.

10.02 Error or Omission in Giving Notice

The accidental omission to give any notice to any Member, Director, Officer, Member of a Committee of the Board or Auditor or person conducting a review engagement, if any, or the non-receipt of any notice by any such person where the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association has provided notice in accordance with the By-laws or any error in any notice not affecting its substance shall not invalidate any action taken at any meeting to which the notice pertained or otherwise founded on such notice.

Section 11 – Adoption and Amendment of By-laws

11.01 Amendments to By-laws

- a. Subject to the following section on Fundamental Changes, these By-laws may only be amended, revised, repealed or added to by:
 - i. Ordinary Resolution of the Board. The new, amended, or revised By-law is effective until the next meeting of the Members and, except for those amendments that are considered fundamental changes, the voting Members may confirm, reject or amend the By-laws by Ordinary Resolution. A new, amended, or revised By-law that is not ratified by the Members ceases to have effect and no new By-law of the same or like substance has any effect until ratified at a meeting of the Members; or
 - ii. A Member entitled to vote who may make a proposal to make, amend, or repeal a By-law in accordance with the Act which requires at least thirty (30) days' notice. The new, amended, or repealed By-law will be submitted to the Members at the next meeting of Members and, except for those amendments that are considered fundamental changes, the voting Members may confirm, reject or amend the By-laws by Ordinary Resolution.
- b. Fundamental Changes – A Special Resolution of all Members (whether voting or non-voting) is required to make the following fundamental changes to the By-laws or articles of the Association. Fundamental Changes are defined as follows:
 - i. Change the Association's name;
 - ii. Add, change or remove any restriction on the activities that the Association may carry on;
 - iii. Create a new category of Members;
 - iv. Change a condition required for being a Member;
 - v. Change the designation of any category of Members or add, change or remove any rights and conditions of any such category;
 - vi. Divide any category of Members into two or more categories and fix the rights and conditions of each category;
 - vii. Add, change or remove a provision respecting the transfer of a membership;
 - viii. Increase or decrease the number of, or the minimum or maximum number of, Directors;
 - ix. Change the purposes of the Association;
 - x. Change to whom the property remaining on liquidation after the discharge of any liabilities of the Association is to be distributed;

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- xi. Change the manner of giving notice to Members entitled to vote at a meeting of Members;
- xii. Change the method of voting by Members not in attendance at a meeting of the Members; or
- xiii. Add, change or remove any other provision that is permitted by the Act.

11.02 Changes to Playing Rules, Policies and Procedures.

The Board has the authority to propose changes to the existing Playing Rules, Policies and Procedures. Such changes may be approved at the Annual Meeting or during the year and do not have to be made at an Annual or Special Meeting. In order to be accepted outside of an Annual Meeting, such proposed revisions must adhere to the following process. If the proposed change is passed at a Board meeting by simple majority as being worth consideration, then it will be sent immediately to all Local Affiliates for comment. At the next scheduled Board meeting the same proposal will come up for ratification. If passed by a 2/3 vote at that meeting, then if is a policy change and/or procedural change it takes effect immediately; Playing Rule changes become effective the next playing season unless the Playing Rule change reflects an OBA Playing Rule change or a safety issue.

Section 12 – Dissolution

12.01 – Remaining property

Upon dissolution of the Corporation and after payment of all debts and liabilities, its remaining property shall be distributed to not-for-profit or charitable organizations which carry on their work solely in the province of Ontario as determined by the Board of Directors by Ordinary Resolution.

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Schedule A

Position Description of the President Role

Statement

The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer and the Chair and shall be responsible for implementing the strategic plans and policies. The President shall, subject to the authority of the Board, have general supervision of the affairs of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association. The President shall be entitled to receive notice or and to attend and speak at all meetings of the Board and of meetings of Members

Responsibilities

- Agendas

Establish agendas aligned with annual Board goals and preside over Board meetings as the Chair. Ensure meetings are effective and efficient for the performance of governance work. Ensure that a schedule of Board meetings is prepared annually.

- Direction

Serve as the Board's central point of communication regarding the Board's expectations and concerns. Develop standards for Board decision-support packages that include formats for reporting to the Board and level of detail to be provided to ensure that management strategies, planning and performance information are appropriately presented to the Board.

- Representation

Serve as the Board's primary contact with the public.

- Reporting

Report regularly to the Board on issues relevant to its governance responsibilities.

- Board Conduct

Set a high standard for Board conduct and enforce policies and By-laws concerning Directors' conduct.

- Committee Membership

Serve as member on all Board committees.

Schedule B

Position Description of the Treasurer

Role Statement

The Treasurer works collaboratively with the President and Board to support the Board in achieving its fiduciary responsibilities.

Responsibilities

The Treasurer shall be responsible for ensuring all applicable signatures are on file with the Bank, and shall keep an accurate record of all monies of the EOBA Eastern Ontario Baseball Association. The Treasurer's books shall be audited annually by an accredited Auditor approved by the Board. The Treasurer shall present all vouchers, invoices, bills, etc. for approval of payment. The Treasurer shall then issue a cheque(s), bearing the signature of the Treasurer and President, or designated Vice-president in the absence of the President, as payment. All emergency payments between Board meetings may only be paid after notification has been sent to the Board stating the nature of the urgency.

Custody of Funds

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The Treasurer shall have the custody of the funds and securities and shall keep full and accurate accounts of all assets, liabilities, receipts and disbursements in the books and shall deposit all monies, securities and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association in such chartered bank or trust company, or, in the case of securities, in such registered dealer in securities as may be designated by the Board from time to time. The Treasurer shall disburse the funds as may be directed by proper authority taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the Chair and Directors at the regular meeting of the Board, or whenever they may require it, an accounting of all the transactions and a statement of the financial position. The Treasurer shall also perform such other duties as may from time to time be directed by the Board.

Board Conduct

Maintain a high standard for Board conduct and uphold policies and By-laws regarding Directors' conduct, with particular emphasis on fiduciary responsibilities.

Financial Statement

Present to the Members at the annual meeting as part of the annual report, the financial statement approved by the Board together with the report of the Auditor or of the person who has conducted the review engagement, as the case may be.

Schedule C

Position Description of the Secretary Role

Statement

The Secretary works collaboratively with the president to support the Board in fulfilling its fiduciary responsibilities.

Responsibilities

The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association including the Annual Meeting, Special Meeting(s) and any other meeting(s) called by and presided over by the President, a register of all Leagues and Final Standings, a listing of the current executive of each Local Association, and a current listing of all suspensions still in effect.

Board Conduct

Support the President in maintaining a high standard for Board conduct and uphold policies and the By-laws regarding Directors' conduct, with particular emphasis on fiduciary responsibilities.

Document Management

Keep a roll of the names and addresses of the Members. Ensure the proper recording and maintenance of minutes of all meetings of the Association, the Board and Board committees. Attend to correspondence on behalf of the Board. Have custody of all minute books, documents, registers and the seal (if any) of the Association and ensure that they are maintained as required by law. Ensure that all reports are prepared and filed as required by law or requested by the Board.

Meetings

Give such notice as required by the By-Laws of all meetings of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association, the Board and Board committees. Attend all meetings of the Board and Board committees.

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Schedule D

Position Description for the Registrar

The Registrar shall be responsible for all Team Rosters and reinstatements in accordance with the guidelines of the Ontario Baseball Association.

The Registrar shall be responsible for verifying coaching certification as set by Ontario Baseball Association for those listed on the Approved Eastern Ontario Baseball Association rosters.

The Registrar shall be responsible for reviewing and approving Affiliate Release Requests where there is a signed Local Release issued by the Local. Any requests where there is a dispute the Registrar must take to the Board for resolution.

Schedule E

Position Description for the Vice-president(s)

The Vice-president's assume the duties and responsibilities of the President when the President is unavailable.

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PLAYING RULES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

2.0 MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION

2.1 Membership

- 2.1.1 Every Baseball Association or Team or Club presently a member of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association or desirous of joining the EOBA shall send to the EOBA Secretary a list of its Officers, a current copy of the Constitution and Association/Club boundaries of such Association or Team or Club immediately following the Annual General Meeting of the respective Association or Team or Club.
- 2.1.2 All Clubs of any Classification desirous of entering the EOBA playdowns must affiliate through an Association in their area or as a direct entry to the EOBA where there is no EOBA Affiliated Association in that area.
- 2.1.3 Clubs must register through the Ontario Baseball Association Affiliated Association in which they are playing, provided they have been released by their home Association, and not through the one to which they belong because of territorial rights. There will be no charge for the release of such team.

2.2 Budget and Fees

2.2.1 Budget

The treasurer will prepare a proposed budget for the subsequent year to be presented at the October board meeting for approval. Any changes required to that budget during the year would require a 2/3 vote by the EOBA Board of Directors.

2.2.2 Fees General

The Annual Members fees are set by the EOBA Board of Directors for the subsequent year of operation. The amount of each fee is itemized in the appendix vii along with a summary of fines. Unless otherwise specified, any fee or fine must be paid within fourteen days (14) of being levied or the team/association will be declared not in good standing and subject to immediate suspension until fines are paid in full.

2.2.3 Performance Bond

Performance Bonds are required for Single Team Entry, and Direct Entry Teams as well as any teams from affiliates outside the boundaries of the EOBA that have requested and been granted permission to play within the association by the EOBA Board of Directors.

It is understood and agreed that while a performance bond or any part thereof is being held by the EOBA, that the same shall be invested in trust for the Local Association/Direct Entry, filing the same in the name of the EOBA, and it is understood and agreed that all interest accrued on such investments shall become the property of the EOBA, which funds are to be used by the EOBA at its Board's discretion for the maintenance and care of the EOBA.

2.2.3.1 Performance Bond Submission/Good Standing

The EOBA Secretary will check on the good standing status of Single Entry, Direct Entry, Local Associations prior to approving team applications, OBA Umpire Clinics, OBA Coaching Clinics, OBA sanctioned open or playoff tournaments, etc.

2.2.4 Team Entry Fee/Player Registration Fee

A Team Entry/Player Registration fee will be paid (see appendix vii) for each and every team which will include the current applicable Baseball Ontario Provincial Registration Fee.

Team Entry forms will be submitted electronically and will be distributed automatically to all EOBA parties requiring the information. They must be submitted prior to EOBA approval to participate in any OBA sanctioned event or requirement for but not later than February 1 (failure to do so will result in a fine {see appendix vii}).

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Although the Team Entry must be in the hands of the EOBA prior to the scheduling date, the actual Team Entry/Player Registration fees is normally charged to the team/local association subsequent to the scheduling meeting. Should a team withdraw from competition after scheduling but prior to the start of the season the team/local association will forfeit the team entry fee regardless of whether it has been paid at that time or not. Penalties for withdrawing from competition after the start of the season are addressed under 4.0 – League Playing Rules.

Teams wishing to participate in the Elite Baseball League of Ontario are required to notify the OBA office by July 1 of the preceding year and provide a preliminary roster to the OBA by the Wednesday following the second Sunday in September of the preceding year. EOBA Team Entries for those teams and the payment of team entry fees will follow the normal process and timelines as if these were teams competing in the EOBA.

2.2.5 Insurance

All teams/clubs registered with the EOBA shall purchase the OBA Liability Insurance (which includes Accident Insurance) directly from the OBA at the rate determined annually by the OBA. This insurance must be purchased before the teams, associations and franchises begin the new baseball season. Failure to also buy the same coverage for Local Associations' House League teams where those exist means that the OBA Director Insurance coverage will not extend to that Local.

2.2.6 Other Fees

2.2.6.1 Bank Charges

The current bank charge plus an administration fee (see appendix vii) will be assessed for each cheque returned from the bank NSF, or for any bank fee imposed due to a request from a member association or Team/Club.

2.2.6.2 Special Handling Fee

All costs incurred in handling special requests, such as but not limited to overnight courier services, expedited processing of players' certificates, etc., will be assessed back to the requesting Association or Team/Club including an administration fee of 10% of the costs. A minimum cost (see appendix vii) plus the 10% administration fee shall apply.

2.2.6.3 Collection Fee

All costs, with a minimum charge (see appendix vii), incurred in the collection of outstanding monies, such as fees and fines, due to the EOBA will be assessed to the member Association or Team/Club. If the costs are not paid within 14 days, the Association or Team/Club will be deemed not in good standing and subject to immediate suspension.

2.3 Player Registration

2.3.1 The names of all players in all Series must appear on an approved Ontario Baseball Association team roster.

2.3.2 Each Local Association shall be responsible for providing as necessary through the OBA online registration platform the complete and accurate information for each returning player and each new player.

The required information includes proper name, date of birth, birth registration number, gender, proper address of residence including postal code, telephone number and valid email address.

In addition, completed information for the head coach/manager, all coaches and First Aiders is to be provided.

By virtue of having their Local Association submit a team roster, the head coach/manager accepts responsibility for the authenticity of the information shown on his/her team roster.

2.3.3 The Local Registrar will provide Birth Certificates, Player Release Forms and Player information to the EOBA Registrar as needed for verification. The rosters will then be submitted by the Local Registrar and approved by the EOBA Registrar.

Copies of EOBA and OBA approved rosters, birth certificates and player releases are filed with the EOBA Registrar.

2.3.4 Upon EOBA Registrar's approval, the Local Registrar will receive notification, through an automated e-mail, that

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a roster has been approved or rejected. An approved EOBA roster will bear the EOBA logo and date of approval in the bottom right corner of the roster. Should a roster be rejected for any reason by the EOBA Registrar, the Local Registrar will receive notification, by an automated e-mail, and the explanation will be found in the “Notes” section of the on-line roster system through the OBA website.

- 2.3.5** Upon receipt of EOBA approved rosters, Local Registrars are responsible for distribution to the appropriate coach/manager.
- 2.3.6** Changes to rosters are made by adding or deleting names shown on the roster through the OBA website by the Local Registrar. Once a change is made, the system notifies the EOBA Registrar of the change, and the approval process is repeated.
- 2.3.6.1** The last day for submitting a roster is the OBA Imposed Deadline for all Series.
- Player additions or removals to previously submitted rosters may be made until June 30 of current playing season.
- 2.3.7** OBA approved rosters are not distributed until mid-July. The EOBA Registrar is notified of OBA approved rosters. The EOBA Registrar notifies the Local Registrar of OBA approved rosters. Again, the Local Registrar is responsible for distribution of OBA approved rosters to the coaches/managers.
- 2.3.8** Lost approved Team Rosters can be replaced by the Local Registrar through the OBA website.
- 2.3.9** The EOBA must forward to the OBA payments for ALL players and teams whether they participate in the OBA Play-offs or not. No player may participate in an OBA sanctioned tournament without his/her name appearing on an approved OBA Team Roster approved by the EOBA Registrar or in the OBA play-offs without his/her name appearing on an OBA approved roster approved by the OBA. The Registrar of the EOBA will at no time approve any Rosters until advised by the EOBA Treasurer that all bonds have been filed, and the team/Local Association is in good standing with the EOBA. For those teams wishing to enter the Midget Elite League or Bantam Elite League the Registrar will also confirm payment of the team entry fees.
- 2.3.10** No player shall be added to a Team Roster before September 15th of the preceding year, nor after June 30th of the current playing year.
- 2.3.11** Players on the roster of one Club must be properly released before being added to a second Team Roster. This clause applies to ALL SERIES. Where a player has been released by his Club, said release must be approved and signed by an official with that authority of the affiliated Local Association of which his Club is a member before such release is valid. Any player added to a new Team Roster to play for another affiliated Club or playing for a non-registered OBA Club before his release from the first Club is signed, may be subject to suspension by the Executive or Sub-Committee.
- 2.3.12** Any player who has been available to play but has not been played by his Club in three (3) or more consecutive League games has the right to appeal to the EOBA Executive should his/her Local Association refuse to release him/her..
- 2.3.13** Any previously submitted Team Roster returned by the EOBA Registrar due to errors or omissions must be rectified and resubmitted to the EOBA Registrar no later than June 30th. The deadline for resubmitting the corrected roster and any associated documents is June 30th.
- 2.3.14** Only players whose names appear on an approved Team Roster shall be eligible to participate in the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association.
- 2.3.15** The name and information for an American Import Player shall not be approved on any Team Roster in any Series other than Senior.
- 2.3.16** For 8u to 18u team rosters must have eleven (11) players and may have a maximum of twenty-five (25) players. Each team roster must have at least one (1) Manager and /or one (1) or more Coaches, who are all certified in accordance with the requirements of the Ontario Baseball Association and who shall be responsible for the team. If the team roster has less than 11 players, the team roster will not be approved. At 22u the maximum roster size is 30 players. A maximum of 25 players can appear on a line-up card for any one game.
- 2.3.17** When a player or the parent or guardian of a player fails to meet their financial obligations to the EOBA, said player will not be permitted to participate in any team, program or event sanctioned by the EOBA until such time as the Registrar of the EOBA confirms in writing that the player or the parent or guardian of a player has met his financial responsibility.

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2.4 Ages

Teams in the EOBA must follow the age restrictions on players as published by the OBA.

2.5 Classification of Clubs

2.5.1 The EOBA in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the OBA shall determine representatives for Annual Competition in the classifications published by the OBA. All OBA rules regarding calculation of household numbers will be followed.

If any Local Association feels it has a circumstance that does not fall under the provisions of the OBA classification rules, it has the right to appeal to the EOBA

Any team not wanting to be classified for the OBA Provincial Tournament must declare so to the EOBA Head Commissioner, EOBA Secretary, and EOBA Registrar by a date set annually by the EOBA.

Once a team is classified, they must play in the OBA Playdown Tournament, and in the OBA Provincial Tournament if a spot is secured.

2.5.2 Team classification shall be determined, on the recommendation of the responsible Commissioner of the respective Series, by the EOBA Board of Directors on the basis of competitive merit in accordance with the guidelines of the OBA at the Classification Meeting of the EOBA.

2.5.3 A Team/Club must participate in the EOBA League established for the appropriate Series applicable to the Team/Club to be classified. If by mutual agreement of the EOBA Board of Directors, EOBA Series Commissioner and the other teams of the League, a Team/Club does not participate in the applicable league, then that Team/Club shall be classified the highest possible, AAA. That Team/Club shall assume the worst win-loss record for the League and therefore in a Home and Home series will have the fewer scheduled home games. The exception to this section being that any team playing outside of the EOBA with the approval of the EOBA Board of Directors when there is no EOBA Division for them to play in, will be classified according to their record rather than at the highest level possible.

2.5.4 All EOBA team classifications must be in the hands of the Ontario Baseball Association on a date to be determined annually by the Ontario Baseball Association, but no later than the second Saturday before the August Civic Holiday.

2.5.5 The Ontario Baseball Association shall be the final authority, who if it is deemed necessary in the interest of fair competition, may alter or change the nominations as submitted by the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association.

2.5.6 For classification purposes, if a team has not reported the required information (i.e. win/loss record, tournament records, etc.) prior to the EOBA deadline, they will not be classified.

2.5.7 No player may participate with more than one (1) Team or Club in any one (1) series.

2.6 Players to Qualify under Residence Rule

2.6.1 No player shall compete in any EOBA League or Playoff games who has not been a bona-fide and continuous resident within the boundaries of the local association, indicated on the team registration form to which his Club belongs before June 1st of the baseball season, except in the case of students who shall be allowed to take up residence until June 30th or players below Senior when a bona-fide move of the family takes place before June 30th.

2.6.2 Players must play within the boundaries of the local association in which he/she resides.

2.6.3 Where a player does not reside within the boundaries of a Local Association or Team or Club or Direct Entry, OR the Local Association does not offer a team at the series the player qualifies for (series as defined by the OBA) the player shall be eligible to play for any Local Association within the EOBA.

2.7 Players Changing Clubs or Residence

2.7.1 All OBA Rules for Players Changing Clubs or Residence must be adhered to within the EOBA including the procedures for releases and release appeals.

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- 2.7.2** Once a player has received a release from his present team he shall have the right to play any place in the EOBA. However, a player may return to the team at his/her place of residence at the beginning of any season without a release. Note: Local Association rules take precedence for the Association.
- 2.7.3** A player who has applied for Change of Residence shall not participate in any game or practice until his transfer has been ratified by the EOBA Registrar.
- 2.7.4** Players wishing to leave the EOBA to play for a team under the jurisdiction of another OBA affiliate must first secure a release from their Local Association prior to seeking the mandatory release from the EOBA. Such requests for a release from the EOBA will be approved by the EOBA Registrar. Any matters that can't be resolved by the EOBA Registrar will be heard by the EOBA Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled meeting. If the request is denied, the appeal is to the OBA.
- Where the player seeking to play for a team outside of the EOBA does not reside within the boundaries of a Local Association or the Local Association does not offer a Rep team at his series (as defined by the OBA), the player may apply directly to the EOBA for a release. If, however, the home diamond of the team he wishes to go to in the other Affiliate is closest to his residence (as the 'crow flies') than any EOBA team at his age no release is required.
- 2.7.5** A player who has followed the local tryout policy for his Local Association or the Association that holds his playing rights must be notified that he has not made any of the teams in that Association for the applicable age and must be granted a release if one is requested within 7 days of the final tryout.

2.8 Players May Advance to Higher Series

- 2.8.1** A player in any series, 22U and below, shall be allowed to advance and compete with a Club in each higher series in his own Local Association without affecting his status in the series and classification in which he signed. Any player who advances MUST PLAY with his ORIGINAL CLUB when the Club he advances to and the Club he signed with have games on the same DATE. NOTE: Any Club KNOWINGLY POSTPONING A GAME so that a player may advance, will be suspended from the EOBA and the OBA playoffs.
- Advancing to participate in a playoff game shall be subject to the eligibility requirements of Clause 2.3.11 of the EOBA Constitution and the rules of the League advancing to.
- 2.8.2** A player may advance as follows: a 9U may advance only to 11U, a 11U may only advance to 13U, a 13U may only advance to 15U, a 15U may only advance to 18U.
- 2.8.3** Any non-EOBA team requesting to play within the EOBA shall provide the team roster to both the EOBA Registrar and the commissioner of the series they are playing within.

2.9 COACHES, FIELD MANAGERS AND FIRSTAIDERS

- 2.9.1** The Local Association should provide a complete list of Head and Assistant Coaches for each team entry to the EOBA. First year coaches must be declared by the Local Association.
- 2.9.2** The EOBA shall provide monthly reports to each Local Association on coaching certification status for the list of coaches which the Local Association provides to the EOBA.
- 2.9.3** By virtue of having the Local Association submit a team roster, the Local Association accepts responsibility for the certification for each coach listed on the team roster. This includes ensuring the coaches listed attend the appropriate clinics to gain certification for the series they are to coaching in as well as ensuring the coaches Baseball Canada Profile is updated after attending.
- 2.9.4** All coaches submitted on a roster must have met their coaching requirements for the season in order for a roster to be approved by the EOBA Registrar. If not the coach will be removed from the roster prior to approval.
- Coaches who are only in the process of completing their Core Portfolio or are only awaiting a Practice or Game Evaluation are exempt from removal by the EOBA Registrar.

Coaches can be added onto rosters at any point as long as certification is completed, and THEIR coaches Baseball Canada Profile is updated. Coaches not listed on an Approved Roster are not covered by Baseball Ontario insurance and are not eligible to be on the bench. Coaches assisting a team but on a different roster must have the necessary qualifications for the team they are assisting. Should a coach not on a roster or without the required qualifications be on the line-up card or in the dugout he/she shall be removed from the dugout immediately and the head coach for the team will be ejected and suspended one game.

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2.9.5 FIRSIDAIDER

- 2.9.5.1** One or more First Aiders may be added to any team roster. This is not mandatory.
- 2.9.5.2** Valid and current supporting documentation for the First Aider qualifications must be submitted to the EOBA & OBA office with the roster submission.
- 2.9.5.3** The qualifications of an individual as a First Aider are based on the list of equivalencies provided by Baseball Ontario on an annual basis. An individual may petition Baseball Ontario to be accepted as a First Aider on the basis of credentials not listed on the equivalencies provided by Baseball Ontario. Baseball Ontario will review the qualifications and may, at its discretion, approve the individual as a First Aider.
- 2.9.5.4** A rostered First Aider is a non-uniformed member of the team who may be present on the bench in order to easily access the field to attend to injured players
- 2.9.5.5** A rostered First Aider is restricted from engaging in coaching activities (including disputing calls with the umpire). Violation of this rule may result in the First Aider's removal from the bench or ejection.
- 2.9.5.6** A rostered First Aider is expected to be available to attend to players, coaches or other attendees from either team and/or umpires in need of attention.
- 2.9.5.7** A rostered First Aider is expected to be familiar with the Baseball Ontario Concussion Management Protocol and be willing to provide an unbiased opinion about player removal as per the protocol .
- 2.9.5.8** By virtue of having the Local Association submit a team roster, the Local Association accepts responsibility for the certification for each First Aid person listed on the team roster. This includes ensuring the First Aid person certification and forwarding such documents to be verified by EOBA/OBA as required.

First Aider Acceptable Qualifications;

- Level #2 or #3 Hockey Canada Trainers Certification Program (HTCP) issued by a recognized provincial or national hockey association.
- Trainer's certificate issued by a Provincial Sports Authority.
- Registered Medical Doctor.
- Registered Nurse.
- Registered Practical Nurse.
- Occupational Health Nurse.
- Physical Therapist (CATC C).
- Paramedic/Firefighter.
- Military Medic.
- Any individual who has completed Emergency or Standard First Aid Certification from a WSIB approved training agency.
- An individual whose application of equivalency of professional qualifications or certification is approved by Baseball Ontario .

3.0 SCHEDULING

- 3.1** The opponents for each team and the number of games that will be played versus each will be determined annually by the commissioners for the various age divisions. Any tiering of play based on the number of teams and the classification levels will be determined by the commissioner.
- 3.2** The proposed schedule will be distributed to the teams and they will complete it with dates by arranging games with their opponents via telephone or text. The completed schedules are to be returned to the commissioner by the end of March.
- 3.3** In 22U and higher Series, where teams may lose players to post-secondary, work, or other commitments prior to the conclusion of all season obligations, teams will be required to declare, by June 30th, their intentions to meet both EOBA and OBA commitments. Once declared, teams failing to meet these commitments will be fined (see appendix vii) and the tournament entry fee and suspended accordingly, until the fine and fee have been paid in full.

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4.0 LEAGUE PLAYING RULES

4.1 Playing Rules

- 4.1.1** All games played under the auspices of the EOBA shall be played in accordance with the Official Rules of Baseball or as amended by the EOBA Board of Directors, or the Executive of the OBA.
- 4.1.2** Amendments or interpretations to the Official Rules of Baseball or amendments of the OBA or EOBA Board of Directors shall become effective immediately upon publication of the revised Rules of Baseball or adoption by the OBA or EOBA Board of Directors.
- 4.1.3** For all games played under the auspices of the EOBA the following order shall set precedence for determining the applicable playing rule:
- a) EOBA League Playing Rules or interpretations,
 - b) OBA Playing Rules or interpretations,
 - c) Baseball Canada Rules or Interpretations
 - d) The Official Rules of Baseball or interpretations.
- Under no circumstances shall an EOBA League Playing Rule amend an OBA Playing Rule such that the intent of the OBA rule is lessened.
- 4.1.4** A team whose home Park is suitable for night baseball may play any or all home games under lights.
- 4.1.5** The EOBA shall not recognize any "four point games".
- 4.1.6** Barring extenuating circumstances, all teams must play and properly report at least 90% of its games scheduled prior to the EOBA classification meeting, to be considered for classification purposes, and must play and properly report 90% of its full schedule of games prior to the last day of the season to be eligible to compete in EOBA and OBA play-offs.
- 4.1.7** All rained out games MUST be re-scheduled and the date submitted to the Series Commissioner, as directed, within seven (7) days. The home team MUST make the first approach to reschedule. If the two (2) teams fail to agree upon a new date within seven (7) days the Series Commissioner shall then have the right to reschedule the game at his/her discretion. Any team failing to play a game when ordered will automatically forfeit the game and will be fined (see appendix vii). When despite the efforts of the commissioner and the teams to order the game to be scheduled on any date, it is not possible to reschedule a rainout game or a game that teams have agreed to reschedule, that game will not count as a default nor will it count as a game played by either team, nor will points be awarded for a victory.
- 4.1.8** A team defaulting twice by failing to show on two separate scheduled dates in the current playing season shall be suspended immediately. The Team Manager and/or Coaches MUST appear before the EOBA Board of Directors for consideration of reinstatement.
- 4.1.9** Teams failing to fulfil their obligations in EOBA play, as determined by the EOBA Board of Directors shall relinquish all or part of their Performance Bond to the EOBA.
- 4.1.10** In all EOBA games the period for the Home Team to take batting and fielding practice is up to fifteen (15) minutes before the scheduled time of game. The VISITING TEAM's infield practice is for the next ten (10) minutes only. The HOME CLUB shall be required to notify the teams of the termination of their allotted time for the various practices. It shall be the duty of the Manager of the team at practice to order his team to vacate the diamond immediately. When a Club is late, only the remaining time shall be allotted for its practise in accordance with the above.
- 4.1.11** In all EOBA games, the diamond must be properly laid out; the batters' boxes marked; the pitcher's mound properly built up and the playing field kept sufficiently clear of spectators and obstructions for the proper performance of the players.

4.2 Special League Rules

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- 4.2.1** All special league rules outlined in the following sections shall apply in all Series, in all league games, all non-tournament games to determine league championships and all games to determine the EOBA representative to OBA Championships.
- 4.2.2** The scheduled starting time for all EOBA games, regardless of Series, shall be the time published/posted by the Commissioner, in the printed league schedule, unless altered at the pre-game meeting with umpires and with the agreement of both teams, and the umpires, because of unforeseen circumstances.
- 4.2.3** Unless the score is tied, all regular season, nontournament league playoffs and OBA determination, in the 8U, 9U, 10U, 11U, 12U and 13U shall not exceed seven (7) innings.
- Unless the score is tied, in the 10U, 11U, 12U, and 13U Series no new inning shall start after two (2) hours from the scheduled starting time. OBA mercy rules apply.
- When the score is tied play cannot end unless there is a park curfew or a situation where the lights go out; the game continues regardless of inning or time until a winner is determined. If the tie is in game 1 of a scheduled doubleheader, game 1 should continue until a winner is determined before game 2 commences.
- In 8U and 9U, at the two (2) hour curfew and one team winning by ten (10) runs or more, the game is considered an Official game even if the normal Official game duration has not been reached (i.e. after four (4) innings played or three and one-half (3 ½) innings with the Home Team winning). Curfew will take precedence over innings played ONLY in 8U and 9U. OBA mercy rules apply to 8U and 9U.
- In all 10U and 11U games, runs allowed per inning will follow the OBA rules however, in EOBA league games and TBA/YSBA interlock games between EOBA teams, the home plate will be the regulation size as opposed to the oversized plate in the OBA rules.
- OBA pitching rules and penalties regarding pitch counts apply to all EOBA games. OBA Line-up Rules apply to all
- 4.2.4** EOBA games cannot end in a tie unless there is a park curfew or a situation where the lights go out. When normal time limit is reached or the maximum regular number of innings is reached, the game shall continue until a winner is determined. The game will continue until such time as a park curfew is reached or the lights go out. If the game is still tied at that point it will be reported and recorded as a tie and will not be continued unless it is an EOBA playdown game to advance to the OBA's. If the tie is in game 1 of a scheduled double header, game 1 should continue until a winner is determined before game 2 commences. Note all extra innings will follow OBA extra inning rules in effect at the time.
- 4.2.5** Unless the score is tied, all games, regular season, non-tournament league play-offs and OBA determination in the 14U, 15U, 15U Girls, 16U, 18U, 22U and Women regular season schedule shall be nine (9) inning games. Unless the score is tied, no new inning shall start after 2½ hours from the scheduled starting time. Also a mercy rule of fifteen (15) runs or more after five (5 or 4 ½ with the home team ahead) innings, or ten (10) runs or more after seven (7 or 6 ½ with the home team ahead) or more complete innings shall apply. The exception to this rule is that in double headers each game shall be seven (7) innings with a curfew of two (2) hours and a ten (10) run mercy rule shall apply after five (5 or 4 ½ with the home team ahead) or more innings.
- 4.2.6** All games in the Senior regular season, non-tournament league play-offs and OBA determination shall be nine (9) inning games, unless the score is tied. No new inning shall start after 3 hours from the scheduled starting time. Also a mercy rule of eighteen (18) runs or more after three (3 or 2 ½ with the home team ahead) innings, fifteen (15) runs after four (4 or 3 ½ with the home team ahead) innings, or ten (10) runs or more after five (5 or 4 ½ with the home team ahead) or more complete innings shall apply. In scheduled double-headers each game shall be seven (7) innings with a curfew of 2½ hours. Also a mercy rule of eighteen (18) runs or more after three (3 or 2 ½ with the home team ahead) innings, fifteen (15) runs after four (4 or 3 ½ with the home team ahead) innings, or ten (10) runs or more after five (5 or 4 ½ with the home team ahead) or more complete innings shall apply.
- 4.2.7** In 12U, 13U, 14U, 15U, 15U Girls, 16U, 18U, 22U, and Women's ball, OBA rules regarding re-entry (substitutions) apply.

Neither OBA rules nor EOBA rules allow for substitution of the catcher on the base paths with the 'last out' when there are two outs in a half-inning.

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- 4.2.8** In all Series, in all games, regular season, nontournament league play-offs and OBA determination, in case of a called game due to rain, darkness, light failure, park or local curfew, etc. regulation rules shall apply.
- 4.2.9** All innings in a tie game, played after the respective league curfew, shall be played as an extra inning.
If a tie game cannot be completed on the scheduled date before becoming a regulation game (i.e. official game) because of weather, darkness, light failure, park or local curfew, etc., if time and facilities permit the Series Commissioner may order the game replayed in its entirety, or continued.
- 4.2.10** In accordance with Baseball Ontario guidelines, should the umpires hear Thunder they are to instruct all participants to seek shelter. The game will be considered delayed at that point. In order to resume the same day/evening there must be a period of 30 minutes without Thunder. Should it not be possible to resume the game that same day/evening then it will either be a NO GAME (did not reach Official Game status) or a SUSPENDED GAME (see rules for determining suspended games) or a COMPLETED GAME (has reached Official Game status with a winner). Refer to the following rules on regulation games (Official Games) and suspended games.
- 4.2.11** In regular season EOBA play a game is a regulation game (aka Official Game) when at the following point has been reached: for 8U and 9U, 3 ½ innings with the home team ahead, four innings, or two hours with one team ahead by 10 runs; for 10U to 13U, 3 ½ innings with the home team ahead or four innings; for 14u to Senior, 4 ½ innings with the home team ahead or five innings. Note that for 14u to Senior when the game length is reduced from 9 innings to 7 innings because it is part of a double header, the point at which the game is a regulation game does not change; it remains as 4 ½ innings with the home team ahead or five innings. If the game is stopped for ANY reason prior to the game being an Official Game then it is deemed to be NO GAME. If the game is stopped for ANY reason other than default or mercy after becoming an Official Game the game is considered a Complete Game. The game will only be considered a Suspended Game if the game has reached Official Game status and the score is tied when stopped for any reason or the visitor has just taken the lead and the home team has not had their chance at bat in the bottom of the inning. The series commissioner will rule on where the suspended game will be continued.

For suspended games, the costs associated with the resumption of that game (umpires etc.) remain the responsibility of the team/association responsible for the costs of the game when it started.
- 4.2.12** Any Special League Rule(s) proposed for a league which are not applicable to that league under the existing EOBA or OBA Constitutions, must be approved by the EOBA Board of Directors before use.

5.0 CHAMPIONSHIPS and GAME COSTS and PROCEDURES

5.1 Eligibility

- 5.1.1** In order to be eligible to participate in the Ontario playdowns, Teams or Clubs must represent an Association, City, Town or Municipality within the boundaries of the EOBA or an EOBA approved Direct Entry.
- 5.1.2** All players must have taken part in at least seven (7) EOBA league games for his/her Club/Local Association, in order to be eligible to play in the EOBA Championships unless otherwise agreed to as per Clause 2.5.3. Note that players who were injured and could not meet this threshold may be permitted through a request to the head commissioner. 8u teams who have no other team to call up from, should put local House League players on their OBA roster as Alternate Players to address absences at Championship time.

5.2 OBA Representatives

- 5.2.1** The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association shall determine which teams will represent the EOBA at the OBA Championships.
- 5.2.2** The EOBA must declare representatives for participation in the Ontario Championships, and those representatives must be prepared to enter play-downs when necessary on the dates as set by the OBA (for all series) but in NO case shall that date be later than the FOURTH Saturday in August.
- 5.2.3** Criteria for Advancing to the OBA Championships
- 1** If only one team is classified at any level (B, A, AA, AAA) it is automatically going to the OBA Provincial Tournament as the EOBA T1 team, and will not be participating in an OBA Playdown Tournament.

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- 2 In all other cases the team that wins the OBA Playdown Tournament at their classification level (B, A, AA, AAA) will be the EOBA T1 team at the OBA Provincial Tournament.
- 3 If the EOBA is granted a second team entry for the OBA Provincial Tournament then the runner-up or second place team of the OBA Playdown Tournament will be the EOBA T2 team at the OBA Provincial Tournament.
- 4 Any team that is hosting the OBA Provincial Championship for their Series or one that is the Ontario Elims Champions or one that has decided not to be classified shall NOT participate in the EOBA Playdowns to determine who advances to the OBA's.

5.2.4 EOBA Playdown Format

Each division will need a host determined by a date set annually by the EOBA Board of Directors.. Seeding will be based on regular season winning Percentage (PCT) except for teams moved up or down in classification.

Any team moved up or down in classification or one that did not play in the EOBA regular loop, will have their seeding determined by a draw for seeding, of that team only, excluding being seeded 1st overall. Other teams may be moved down in seeding as a result.

There will be a maximum of 8 teams in any playdown. Any division that has more than 8 teams will have a sudden-death game or game between the lowest seeded teams to establish the final 8.

All tournament formats (schedule) and budgets must be approved by the series commissioner.

In all playdown formats, the home team for all games will be the team with the highest winning Percentage in the regular season (with the exception of teams moved up in classification).

- 1 For three (3) or more teams at the same classification level:

They will be playing a double knock out tournament format.

All games are 7 innings in length with a 2-hour no new inning time limit, and OBA mercy rules still apply.

If a game is tied after 7 innings or after the 2-hour no new inning time limit, then the game will continue until there is a winner.

Note: the final game (Championship game) will be 7 innings in length with no time limit, and OBA mercy rules still apply.

The winner of the Double Knock Out Tournament will go to the OBA's as EOBA T1.

- 2 For two (2) teams at the same classification level:

They will play a best two out of three game format.

All games are 7 innings in length with no time limit, and OBA mercy rules still apply.

If a game is tied after 7 innings, then the game will continue until there is a winner.

5.2.5 With the exception of teams moved up or down in classification, standings will be based on on winning percent. In the case of ties in the standings the following will be used to break the tie

- 1 Head to head between tied teams.
- 2 Fewest runs allowed in games between tied teams.
- 3 Most runs scored in games between tied teams
- 4 Highest number of overall league wins
- 5 Coin Flip

5.3 Game Costs and Procedures

- 5.3.1 In all EOBA League or play-off games, the Home Club or in the case of a tournament, the hosting local, shall have control of the arrangements for grounds, Umpires, Convenors, Official Scorekeeper, and game necessities. Where one team travels to play a regular season double header at another team's location, the host team is still responsible for the umpire costs etc. regardless if the team's split who is the home team for the two games.

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5.3.2 Each Manager will provide a batting card (printed first and last names, jersey numbers, and positions, and any substitutable players) to the Umpire-in-Chief prior to the commencement of the game. Bona-fide players of either team who arrive after the commencement of the game, may have their names added to the list upon reporting to the Umpire-in-Chief.

5.3.3 All completed score sheets, batting cards signed by the Plate Umpire, reports, and play-off forms must be mailed (postmarked) by the Home Team to the Series Commissioner within twenty-four (24) hours of the conclusion of each game.

5.4 Division of Receipts

5.4.1 In all games, the Visiting Team shall be responsible for the costs of their own travelling. In the case of a default by the Home Team, the Home Team may be liable for the travelling expenses of the Visiting Team at the approved rate (see appendix vii) per kilometer one way, incurred by the opposing team.

5.4.2 If the Visiting Team defaults a game, the Visiting team may be responsible for game expenses but limited only to the following: Umpire fees, lining of field, and use of lights.

5.4.3 All financial claims for expenses must be in the hands of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association Secretary in writing within fourteen (14) days of the time of occurrence.

5.5 Any team that does not play either the games defined by the Series Commissioner as part of an OBA Playdown or participate in the EOBA Divisional Championships when they have qualified, may have their coaching staff suspended and pay a fine (see appendix vii).

6.0 GAME REPORTS

6.1 For all games, either League, Tournament, or Playoff played by an EOBA team, EOBA Official Score Sheets must be completed in FULL. The Home club in games played within the boundaries of the EOBA is responsible for completing the game sheets in full and retaining these for the balance of the season. The Game Number, Date, both teams involved and final scores and ejections are to be reported electronically on the EOBA online game report form to the Series Commissioner within twenty-four (24) hours of the completion of the game. Failure to forward the sheets and information shall result in a fine (see appendix vii) for each game not reported, at the Commissioner's discretion.

6.2 EOBA approved score sheets and batting cards may be obtained in lots of 25 from the EOBA Treasurer by any Association or Team or Club at a price to be determined annually by the EOBA Board of Directors..

6.3 For all EOBA regular season or playoff games, the Home Team Scorekeeper shall be the Official Scorekeeper.

6.4 The Official Scorekeeper shall score the game on Eastern Ontario Baseball Association game sheets. The Home Team Manager shall be responsible for retaining the original completed copy of each score sheet (Home and Visitors) and completing the online game report form noted in 6.1.

6.5 The Home Team Manager shall supply an EOBA batting card to the Visiting Team Manager. The Manager and Coaches present shall identify themselves, the players and all substitutes on the batting card by printing first and last name, playing position, and jersey number for each and every player, Manager and Coach, present or expected to be present at the game. Managers shall exchange batting cards, including tendering the original copy of each lineup to the Home Plate Umpire prior to game time or at the presentation of ground rules. Additional players' names with jersey numbers may be added to the batting cards upon the players' arrival at the game.

6.6 The Home Plate Umpire shall record all substitutions on his copy of the batting cards. Upon completion of the game he shall sign his copies and return the copies to the Official Scorekeeper. The Official Scorekeeper shall attach the batting cards to the game sheets for retention by the home team with the game sheets for the duration of the season.

6.7 Teams must report to the respective Series Commissioner the results of games, within twenty-four (24) hours of the game(s). All tournament results and OBA Championship game results are to be reported within 5 days of the conclusion of the tournament. Failure to report within the required times shall result in a FINE (see appendix vii) per tournament or play-off round.

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7.0 OFFICIAL BASEBALLS

7.1 The OBA list of approved baseballs for the upcoming season will be used.

8.0 OFFICIAL FIELD DIMENSIONS

8.1 The Official Field dimensions used in League and Championship play are as published by the OBA.

9.0 SERIES COMMISSIONER

9.1 EOBA Board of Directors shall appoint a Series Commissioner to handle each Series. The Commissioner shall have the power to disqualify any team for refusing or failing to play when ordered.

9.2 The Series Commissioner shall be responsible for the co-ordination of preparation of the League Playing Schedule, presiding at the scheduling meeting for his/her Series, maintaining up-to-date league standings, issuing Permission to Enter Forms to OBA Sanctioned Tournaments, determining EOBA play-off participants and opponents, and any other responsibilities that might arise during the operation of the league.

9.3 The Series Commissioner shall classify all teams/clubs in his Series and notify each team of the recommended classification within one (1) week of the EOBA classification meeting.

9.4 Wherever possible the Series Commissioner, or an EOBA Board Member should be present at all deciding games in a final series.

9.5 The Series Commissioner shall make arrangements for playoffs by contacting Clubs personally regarding dates and times for all games and any further arrangements that might be necessary.

9.6 The Series Commissioner must make such playoff contacts at least 36 hours in advance of said date and times.

9.7 The Series Commissioner shall decide annually at the scheduling meeting in conference with the league entrants, the method by which each League Championship shall be declared. This method shall consist of one (1) of the following:

- Home and home series style play-offs,
- A tournament which may be true or altered double knock-out, round-robin, or a combination thereof,
- A combination of both.

A Home and Home Series may at the same time, serve as a playdown round to determine OBA representation.

10.0 CONVENORS

10.1 All OBA Convenors are to be recommended by an affiliated Association for approval by the EOBA Board of Directors. A list of recommended Convenors with complete addresses, postal code and telephone numbers must be forwarded to the EOBA Secretary by May 15th of each year. The EOBA Board of Directors will reserve the right to appoint Convenors for districts where Clubs make direct entry into the EOBA.

10.2 In any EOBA games no member of any team involved in that Series will be allowed to act as a Convenor.

11.0 MANAGERS, COACHES, AND TEAM STAFF

11.1 In all games played by a team registered with the EOBA at least one (1) Coach or Manager, signed to an OBA Manager/Coach card, shall be present. In the Minor Series, it is preferred that at least two (2) signed Coaches or the signed Manager and one (1) signed Coach be present.

11.2 All managers and coaches and team staff come under the jurisdiction of the Umpires and are subject to penalties. The Umpires shall see that the rules governing coaches in ALL GAMES are strictly enforced.

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11.3 As per the Official Rules of Baseball, in 14U and above, any team member in uniform may act as a base coach.

12.0 UMPIRES

12.1 Registration

12.1.1 All Umpires must be first approved by the Association which is affiliated with the EOBA before they qualify as Registered Ontario Baseball Association Umpires. The Umpire is to pay a registration fee as set by the OBA Supervisor of Umpires.

12.1.2 The EOBA Umpire-in-Chief shall maintain and annually update a list of OBA registered Umpires within the EOBA, with their full address, postal code and telephone numbers. All applications and recommendations are to be renewed yearly.

12.1.3 All Umpires who have been approved and recommended should affiliate with an Umpires Association in their district. Where none now exists an Umpires organization should be formed. This Association in turn shall affiliate with the local affiliated Association in their area. In districts where there are no affiliated associations established, the Clubs making application for direct entry into the EOBA must follow the same procedure and recommend the names of Umpires to be registered.

12.1.4 To qualify for an OBA Umpires Card, an Umpire must attend an OBA Umpires Clinic and pass a written test annually, as required by the Baseball Ontario Supervisor of Umpires.

12.2 Game Attire

12.2.1 All Umpires shall be properly dressed, when officiating at any baseball game under the jurisdiction of the EOBA. as approved by the OBA Umpiring Committee. Failure to comply could mean loss of accreditation.

12.3 Game Requirements and Management

12.3.1 Umpires handling EOBA games must have an OBA Registration card. In all EOBA Junior and Senior games, only OBA Level III certified umpires with a current OBA Registration card may officiate. In all other league games, the home plate umpire must be currently registered at the corresponding OBA Umpire Level and be registered with the OBA. The base umpire must also be currently registered with the OBA. In all EOBA playoff games, only umpires certified at the OBA Level for the Series with a current OBA Registration card may officiate.

12.3.2 All Umpires are the official representatives of the EOBA Executive and are to be respected as impartial in all games and on all plays.

12.3.3 All Umpires must be prepared to show their Umpire's Card to Managers of Clubs and OBA Convenors prior to the commencement of the game. No request to see an Umpire's card shall be accepted after the game has commenced.

12.3.4 In all regular season, exhibition, or playoff games, the Home Club shall supply at least two (2) umpires for the game except as required under Clause 12.3.5 or exempted by Clause 12.3.1. The Home Club shall assume all costs for both umpires in accordance with Section 12.4.

12.3.5 In the event that no umpires, as required by Section 12.3.4 for league games, are available at game time or within one half hour of the scheduled game time, the game will be declared a forfeit in favour of the visiting team. Travel expenses may be claimed by the visiting team per 5.5.1.

12.3.6 The Home Club in a Home and Home series shall NOTIFY and SUPPLY OBA REGISTERED UMPIRES. Any visiting Club who wishes a change of Umpires for the third or deciding game only, may request same through their Series Commissioner, but must pay the Umpires mileage and fees plus any other extra costs that may occur.

12.3.7 In all home and home play-off final series, in 14U, 15U, 16U, 18U, 22U and Senior Series three (3) Umpires shall officiate while two (2) shall suffice in 10U, 11U, 12U, and 13U.

12.3.8 NO UMPIRES will be PAID by the EOBA. The Host Club except as stated in Clause 12.3.6 must assume the Umpire fees.

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- 12.3.9** The Home Plate Umpire and Base Umpire(s) must file individual and complete reports to the EOBA Umpire-in-Chief concerning accidents, ejections, delays in starting, and protests. This report is to be signed by the respective Umpire. Reports must be forwarded for each game within twenty-four (24) hours of the time of the incident.

12.4 Umpire Fees

- 12.4.1** Umpire fees for EOBA play shall be the responsibility of the local association or Home Team.
- 12.4.2** Mileage allowance for EOBA Umpires is at the OBA approved rate per kilometre one (1) way for all Series. When two (2) or more Umpires come from the same city or town to the game, only one (1) will be paid mileage allowance.
- 12.4.3** In all EOBA games which are postponed because of rain or other causes, if the Umpires arrive before notification of the postponement, they shall be entitled to payment of one half (½) fees plus mileage. If the game has been started, the Umpires will be entitled to full fees and mileage.

13.0 UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT

13.1 Uniforms

- 13.1.1** Provided the teams are completely uniformed, the uniformity as laid down by the Official Playing Rules of Baseball shall be disregarded and no protest will be considered by the EOBA after the game has been played.
- 13.1.2** In all games played by an EOBA team, all team members, including the Manager (Head Coach), Coaches, and players MUST be in COMPLETE AND MATCHING BASEBALL UNIFORM in order to participate in the game on the field. All other personnel must be appropriately dressed while in the bench area. Coaches who fail to comply with this rule will be ejected from the game with the normal 1 game automatic suspension or if the EOBA is made aware of the situation post-game, will be given a two game suspension.

Note: Complete Baseball Uniform shall consist of:

- corresponding tops or jersey,
- corresponding (similar) baseball caps,
- baseball pants (NOT SHORTS, JEANS OR TRACK SUITS),
- baseball socks and stirrup socks.
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- 13.1.3** All uniform tops or jerseys worn during a game shall have the player's number firmly affixed to the back of the jersey. The size of the number shall be such that the entire number is visible above the top of the baseball pants but no smaller than 200mm (8") from top of number to bottom of number. Shirts worn under the baseball top do not require numbers unless the back of the shirt is visible.
- 13.1.4** It is strongly recommended that players advancing (paragraph 2.8) wear the uniform of the team to which they are advancing.

13.2 Equipment

- 13.2.1** All batters and base runners and the on-deck batter must wear a prescribed protective baseball helmet with flaps, covering both ears.
- Any helmet changes shall be requested of the Umpires and for safety reasons only.
- 13.2.2** In 8U, 9U, 10U, 11U, 12U and 13U series, shoes with metal cleats are prohibited.
- 13.2.3** All catchers must wear a protective baseball helmet and an acceptable throat guard properly affixed to the mask.
- 13.2.4** At all levels of play in the EOBA, the OBA Bat Rules as outlined in [RP2-5](#) shall be adhered to.

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14.0 PROTESTS, COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS

14.1 Protests

- 14.1.1** All game protests must be filed electronically with the EOBA Head Commissioner within forty-eight (48) hours of the game being protested
- 14.1.2** Once a Protest has been dealt with by the EOBA Board of Directors or Sub-Committee, delegated to act in such matters by the EOBA, any ruling handed down must be considered as FINAL by the EOBA. No further action will be taken.
- 14.1.3** The President of the EOBA has the power to appoint a Sub-Committee to handle all Protests which must be disposed of within FIVE DAYS from the time the EOBA Head Commissioner receives the Protest and evidence in support thereof.
- 14.1.4** The Club/Team against which a game protest is made is to respond to the protest electronically and shall be allowed THIRTY-SIX (36) HOURS to file a defence and evidence with the EOBA Head Commissioner.
- 14.1.5** All correspondence re: protest and defence of appeals must be forwarded by REGISTERED MAIL, COURIER SERVICE, FACSIMILE MACHINE, PERSONALLY DELIVERED. OR E-MAIL.
Affidavits, witnessed by Notary Public, MUST accompany all aforementioned correspondence.
- 14.1.6** Protests based on Umpires' judgement decisions will not be permitted.
- 14.1.7** A protest based on an Umpire's interpretation of the rules must be lodged with the Umpires before the game resumes, and the opposing team and scorekeeper must also be advised by the Umpire before the game resumes.
- 14.1.8** Protests which in the opinion of the President, as advised by the Head Commissioner, are based solely on technicalities which cannot have any possible bearing on the outcome of the game will not be entertained.
- 14.1.9** Clubs and/or players which knowingly play against INELIGIBLE PLAYERS and do wilfully conceal this knowledge from the EOBA until it shall suit their convenience to use it in any Protest which may arise shall be considered equally guilty with the offending Club or players and shall be dealt with accordingly.

14.2 Complaints

- 14.2.1** Complaints based on Umpires' judgement decisions will not be permitted.
- 14.2.2** A complaint regarding the actions or eligibility of a team or individual team personnel must be lodged with the EOBA Discipline Chair within twenty-four (24) hours of the actions.

14.3 Appeals

- 14.3.1** Appeals based on Umpires' judgement decisions will not be permitted.
- 14.3.2** A Club, manager, coach or player that has been suspended shall have the right to appeal to the EOBA Appeals Chair for a hearing. All appeals must be accompanied with a specified fee (see appendix vii). If the appeal is upheld, half of the fee will be returned to the appellant. This decision will be considered FINAL.
- 14.3.3** Teams may request a change in their classification or appeal their proposed classification as identified to them by the Series Commissioner at least 3 days in advance of the EOBA Classification meeting. The appeal must be submitted by the Local Association and accompanied by a non-refundable administrative fee (see appendix vii) for each team appeal. The request must be sent to the Head Commissioner with copy to the Secretary and Registrar in advance of the EOBA Classification meeting. There is no further appeal of the decision made at that meeting.
- 14.3.4** If a change is made to a team's classification at the EOBA Classification meeting but it is not one the team requested or it is other than one they had been informed of at least 3 days prior to the EOBA Classification meeting, then the team has 3 days in which to appeal this new classification. The appeal must be submitted by the Local Association

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and accompanied by a non-refundable administrative fee (see appendix vii) for each team appeal. This non-refundable administrative fee will be retained by the EOBA. The request must be sent to the Head Commissioner with copy to the Secretary and registrar. This decision will be considered FINAL.

- 14.3.5** Appeals by an Association or Team/Club of rulings made by a Series Commissioner, Convenors, etc. shall be dealt with by the EOBA Appeals Chair delegated to act on such matters by the EOBA. The appeal must be accompanied by a non-refundable administration fee (see appendix vii). This is not to be confused with the handling of protests in accordance with Section 14.1. This decision will be considered FINAL.

14.4 Release Appeals

- 14.4.1** All release appeals to the EOBA are subject to an appeal fee (see appendix vii). If the appellant is a player and the appeal is successful, then 50% of the amount of the fee will be returned. If the appellant is a team or association then no money will be returned if the appeal is successful.
- 14.4.2** In order to attend an in-person appeal regarding a release, the individuals must be over the age of 16 unless specifically approved by the appeal chair.
- 14.4.3** Both sides in an appeal hearing regarding a release must forward their supporting materials to the appeal chair no later than three days before the scheduled meeting or at the exception of the chair. Those materials and all correspondence on the matter will subsequently be shared with both sides in the upcoming hearing, and any documents not provided before the hearing will be inadmissible in the subsequent appeal hearing.

This decision can be appealed to the OBA Technical Committee.

- 14.4.4** Release requests for players who have not followed the Local Association tryout policy will not be granted a hearing.

15.0 SUSPENSIONS AND EXPULSIONS

- 15.1** Any Association or member of this Association violating the Constitution or By-Laws of the EOBA or OBA or refusing to abide by the decision of the EOBA Board of Directors or Sub-Committee or Series Commissioner may be expelled or suspended. It is the duty and obligation of all EOBA Board of Directors and Appointees to report fully and immediately any violation of the EOBA Constitution and By-Laws or directives of the EOBA Board of Directors.
- 15.2** Club(s), Officers or Players may be suspended by the EOBA Board of Directors for knowingly:
- Permitting betting or improper conduct by players or Officers at Association games.
 - Offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to lose any Association game or being interested in any pool or wager thereof.
 - Playing with a Club or Association that has been suspended or expelled.
 - Knowingly having on its list of signed players any disqualified players.
 - Permitting Officers to conduct business of Clubs or associations inimical to the best interest of organized sport.
- 15.3** Any registered Club or Players shall automatically suspend themselves upon playing with or against any Club or Players who are not registered with the EOBA and OBA without first securing permission from the EOBA Executive except where an entire club is playing an exhibition game(s) with teams up to and including 18u age, permission may be granted by the Series Commissioner of the EOBA.
- 15.4** Any player who shall play under an assumed name shall be suspended from the EOBA.
- 15.5** Any player found guilty of playing over the age limit permitted in the Series in which he is participating shall automatically be suspended.
- 15.6** Any TEAM found guilty of using a player over the age limit permitted in the Series in which he is participating or playing under an assumed name, shall be automatically suspended along with the Manager and all Coaches of the team.

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- 15.7** Players, Coaches, Manager, and Umpires in uniform must refrain from using any tobacco products, alcohol and drugs during all games. Penalty for this would be immediate ejection for players, coaches and managers and may result in loss of accreditation for umpires.
- 15.8** Players, Coaches and Managers ejected from any League, exhibition, or play-off game by an Umpire are suspended for one (1) game without appeal, and this to be the next scheduled game.
- 15.9** In ALL EOBA play, the Manager or Coach shall not cross the foul lines of the playing field for the single purpose of arguing an Umpire's decision.
- 15.10** Any player, coach or manager ejected by an umpire from any EOBA Sanctioned Regular Season, Play-off or Tournament game is suspended in accordance with the following chart, and this is to be the next scheduled game(s) in that Season/Tournament or Play-off. The player, coach or manager may be subject to further suspension depending on the severity of the circumstances leading to the ejection at the discretion of the Head Commissioner and/or Discipline Committee.

Code	Infraction	Suspension
E10	Disputing umpire's call	1 game
E20	Re-entering field of play	2 games
E30	Refusing to leave diamond	3 games
E40	Refusing to leave immediate area	3 games
E50	Making physical contact with umpire	Indefinite* = indefinite pending appeal
E60	Discriminatory slur	Indefinite* = indefinite pending appeal
E70	Threatening an umpire	Indefinite* = indefinite pending appeal
E80	Refusing to play	Indefinite* = indefinite pending appeal

- 15.11** All ejections must be reported to the EOBA Head Commissioner by the umpire within 24 hours of the game. Failure to report an ejection within the timeframe allowed will result in a \$10 fine per day late against the umpire(s). The maximum payable will be \$30 for any one ejection per umpire. After 3 days the EOBA will ask the local association to remove the umpire from future assignments until the situation is rectified. The EOBA will collect the fine through the local association that assigned the umpires.
- 15.12** The EOBA Secretary shall forward immediately to the OBA the name of team(s), manager(s)/coach(s), or player(s) indefinitely suspended by the EOBA. The Secretary shall subsequently notify the OBA of reinstatement.
- 15.13** Where a Local Association has suspended a coach/ manager/player after having followed due process, and then requests that the EOBA uphold the suspension that they have issued, EOBA immediately implements the suspension pending an appeal hearing. The coach is notified that the request to uphold the Local Associations' suspension has been received and implemented, and if the coach wishes to appeal, a hearing is scheduled as soon as possible. Both sides are invited to the hearing to present their case. The Appeals and Protest committee then rules on the case and if the suspension is to be upheld it is brought to the EOBA Board of Directors for approval.
- 15.14** Any association, coach, executive member, or player found to be "tampering" with another player whose rights are held by another association shall be guilty of an offence. The minimum penalty for tampering will be a 5 game suspension to the coach(es) found to be responsible and/or negligent, or in the case of an executive member or association, the minimum penalty will be a fine as outlined in appendix vii. For the purposes of this rule, ignorance of the rules of tampering and/or the particular circumstances surrounding the case is not relevant to the application of the penalty.
- The definition of tampering is described in Baseball Ontario Rep Rule Book RP1.7.
- 15.15** An individual under suspension, regardless of it being for one-game or a longer period, is restricted as follows: players may participate in practices but not in games including not being on the bench; coaches or any other team or association official under suspension shall not participate in practices or games or communicate or associate with the team within the confines of any ballpark.

16.0 DISCIPLINE

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- 16.1** All suspensions will be reviewed by the discipline committee regardless of where they are earned (EOBA, OBA, YSBA, TBA, USA etc.). If the act warranting a suspension is deemed to be in excess of the minimum requirement an additional suspension will be assessed.
- 16.2** There will be no appeal allowed where the suspension is for an automatic one game suspension for an ejection or the length does not exceed 3 games.
- 16.3** In the event that an ejection is not issued but a conduct report is received, the EOBA reserves the right to investigate and act in the absence of action by the game official.
- 16.4** An appeal of a decision of the discipline committee does not automatically make the appellant available to play. On a case by case basis the committee will decide if the appeal will delay the implementation of the previously issued suspension.
- 16.5** An appeal of a suspension must be in writing and must accompany reasonable grounds for such and appeal in addition to the appeal fee set out in appendix vii.
- 16.6** No appeal will be granted automatically.
- 16.7** The above rules and suspensions will also encompass other activities such as but not limited to: alcohol use, use drugs or narcotics and performance enhancing drugs or methods.
- 16.8** Where circumstances warrant, an immediate temporary suspension may be imposed during the period of time between when the EOBA becomes aware of an issue, through the investigation of such issue, until a decision is rendered.
- 16.9** A suspension issued in another jurisdiction will not be deducted from the suspension assessed by the EOBA although the EOBA is free to consider such a fact when arriving at a decision.
- 17.0 EXHIBITION GAMES AND TOURNAMENTS**
- 17.1** All Clubs or Players registered with the EOBA who desire to participate in exhibition games with teams not registered with the EOBA must first secure the consent of the Series Commissioner of the EOBA.
- 17.2** Teams wishing to play an exhibition game(s) outside the Province of Ontario must first secure the permission of their local association (where applicable) then the permission of the EOBA. Any such team is required to purchase their Out of Province health coverage directly from the OBA insurance provider so as to ensure that sports injuries are included in the coverage.
- 17.3** Teams wishing to play an exhibition game(s) involving a team(s) from outside the Province of Ontario, must first secure the permission of the EOBA Executive who will, upon approval, submit the request to the OBA for final approval.
- 17.4** All Clubs registered with the EOBA who desire to enter and participate in an OBA sanctioned tournament must first secure a signed Permission to Enter Form from the respective Series Commissioner of the EOBA.
- 17.5** Any Clubs or Association, wishing to hold a tournament where three (3) or more teams are competing, must first apply for permission to hold same through the OBA online application process. This will automatically be sent to the EOBA for approval. OBA fees for hosting are to be paid directly to the OBA.
- 17.6** Teams/Clubs hosting an OBA sanctioned tournament with approval to award prize(s) or prize money, shall furnish proof to the EOBA that the prize(s) or money will be assured on the dates of the tournament. In the case of prize money, proof shall be in the form of a cash amount equal to the total amount of the prize money to be awarded, placed in trust with the Treasurer of the EOBA until the completion of the tournament. The Host Team/Club shall attach a statement to their OBA tournament application exempting the EOBA from any liability should the Host Team/Club default in the payment of any prize money. The EOBA reserves the right to award prize money, in default, from the Performance Bond of the Team/Club.
- 17.7** Regardless of whether or not the OBA has fined an EOBA team for pulling out of an OBA provincial championship tournament, should an EOBA team withdraw from an OBA provincial championship tournament within 14 days of the tournament date, the team will be fined (see appendix vii).

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18.0 FALL TRAVEL and EOBA ALL-STAR TEAMS

The following applies to any and all EOBA Fall Travel teams, CNE teams, Canon Cup teams, Summer Games teams, or EOBA All-Star teams created with the approval of the EOBA and operating after the regular season has completed or during the regular season.

- 18.1** All coaches/assistant coaches/managers of EOBA Fall Travel or EOBA All-Star teams must be approved by the EOBA. In order to be considered for the role of coach/assistant coach/manager, the individual must provide a current (within the year) CIR including the Vulnerable Sector check to the EOBA and must have met all of the current OBA coaching requirements for the age group that they are going to be travelling with.
- 18.2** Each team must submit a roster of the coaches/assistant coaches/managers and players to the EOBA Secretary prior to any games being played. That roster is to include the local association of each player, their birth date and their home address including postal code. All players must be from approved EOBA team rosters that year.
- 18.3** A budget showing expected funds to be collected and to be disbursed shall be filed with the EOBA Treasurer and/or Finance Committee members prior to any games having been played. All teams must have an independent party in addition to the coaching staff responsible for the funds and budget of the team. Should players be charged a fee for participating in a try-out for one of these teams the amount of the fee has to be approved by the program director in advance of the tryout and be part of the budget and announced to all participants prior to the tryouts taking place that these fees are to cover the cost of running the tryouts and the balance goes to the selected team. Once the team is formed, all costs for the team must be met by contributions from the players that make the team. Any coach or manager expecting to be reimbursed by the team members for their travel, meal, and lodging expenses must have prior approval from a majority of the EOBA Finance Committee and this has to be communicated to the players in advance of the tryouts and be shown as part of the team budget which is to be distributed to the players/parents at the first tryout they attend. The amount of any funds raised to offset coach/manager travel expenses shall be no more than \$50 per player to a maximum total of \$700 for the team. The EOBA will contribute team entry fees for the following tournaments for Affiliate teams: CNE (13U), Bob Humphries (11U), Ontario Summer games (15U), Don McKnight (Newmarket 13U All-Star), Canon Cup.
- 18.4** A list of all tournaments/exhibition games must be filed with the EOBA as part of the budget submission.
- 18.5** All teams traveling outside the province must purchase out of country insurance through the OBA. The premium for that insurance must be paid to the EOBA before the team will receive approval from the EOBA for any travel outside of the province.
- 18.6** If Tournament deposits are required, the EOBA will advance the same upon request and approval of the EOBA board at a monthly meeting, and the same must be reimbursed to the EOBA seven days prior to the tournament but no later than September 10th in each year. If advances are not reimbursed in time then sanctions will be applied; those may include suspension of the team, suspension of the coach, removal of the coach's good standing within the EOBA.
- 18.7** All teams must submit a final statement of their finances to show that all funds collected from parents/players has been spent on the team or returned to the players/parents.
- 18.8** All EOBA Fall-travel teams must wear a standard EOBA uniform as defined by the EOBA Board of Directors and any uniform purchases must be approved in advance by the EOBA Board of Directors.
- 18.9** Any player selected to play for a Fall Travel team or All-Star team cannot leave his rostered team to play for the Fall Travel/All-Star team Coach or Assistant Coach in the subsequent year unless any of the following apply:
- a) he is returning to the Local Association in which he resides,
 - b) the Local Association in which he resides or which holds his playing rights will not be fielding a team at his series (as defined by the OBA) in the subsequent year in question,
 - c) the Local Association chooses either to release the player or determines not to offer him a position on their team.

If none of the above apply and the player appeals to the EOBA for a release then the EOBA will follow normal protocol for determining if a release will be granted (the OBA does not recognize conditional releases barring a player from going wherever he wishes within the Affiliate once released).

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19.0 TROPHIES AND AWARDS

19.1 All awards are open to nominations from all Local Associations within the EOBA.

If no nomination for any award is received from any Local Association, then the EOBA Board of Directors will decide on the recipient of the award, from all of the associations in the EOBA for that year.

The EOBA will purchase the 'keeper award(s)' and have any main trophy updated with the winner's name. Should the Local Association update any main trophy then the EOBA shall reimburse the Local up to an amount of \$50.00.

The main trophy will be kept by the recipient or the recipient's Local Association and returned to the EOBA at the October EOBA Executive meeting.

19.2 Every Association or Direct Entry or any team from the EOBA that plays in other leagues, shall contribute an approved amount (see appendix vii) towards the awards identified in Clause 19.3; however, for any given year that the EOBA does not provide a viable loop for any division to play in, the teams in that/those division(s) will not be charged the awards fee for that year. Payment is due to the EOBA Treasurer by the first Monday of July, each year.

19.3 The EOBA will hand out annually, at the EOBA Annual General Meeting, awards for the following:

- Ed and Vi Christopher Award (House League Volunteer of the Year)
- Ed Christopher Award (aka the Affiliate of the Year) for outstanding achievement in the promotion of baseball
- W.J. Woodland Award (Rep Volunteer of the Year)
- The Troy May Person of the Year award to the player within the EOBA deemed to have been an extraordinary contributor to their host association and the sport of Baseball in their community. Those who combine academic excellence and/or volunteer activities will receive additional consideration. This award shall be selected by the EOBA Awards Committee and nominations from all the associations within the EOBA are welcomed.

- Junior Player of the Year (13U and below)
- Rep. Junior Player of the Year (13U and below)
- Rep. Senior Player of the Year (14U and above)
- House League Player of the Year (13U and below)
- House League Player of the Year (14U and above)
- Pitcher of the Year (10U and above)
- Junior Umpire of the Year (Levels 1 and 2)
- Senior Umpire of the Year (Level 3 and above)
- Rep. Junior Coach of the Year (13U and below)
- Rep. Senior Coach of the Year (14U and above)
- House League Coach of the Year (13U and below)
- House League Coach of the Year (14U and above)
- True Spirit Award (female House League player in 10U and older divisions)
- Rep Female Player of the Year
- Team of the Year (All Series)
- EOBA Executive Member of the Year

19.4 The EOBA shall award annually The James E. Lutton Association of the Year award to the Local Association within the EOBA, deemed to have been the most active as per similar criteria listed for selecting the 'OBA George Spalding Memorial Award'. This award shall be selected by an EOBA Committee of the Active Past Presidents.

19.5 The Awards committee shall be appointed by the Board to determine the EOBA's award winners. Local boards, EOBA member parents, players and/or EOBA elected board members have the power to nominate an individual, team or association for consideration for an award. In the event that the awards committee does not have a nominee or has rejected a nominee(s) the committee members shall actively seek a recipient of their choosing or shall report to the Board their reasoning for not presenting a certain award in any given year.

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19.6 EOBA Hall of Fame

The establishment of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Hall of Fame provides the opportunity to recognize individuals and teams that have achieved the highest standards and commitment to the sport of baseball within the EOBA.

Inductees of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Hall of Fame are comprised of players, coaches, managers, umpires, teams and builders. Inductees are chosen by the Eastern Ontario Baseball Hall of Fame's Selection Committee comprised of the President and Past-Presidents.

Up to four inductees will be elected each year which could be any combination of: team, builder, player; less than four inductees if nominations are not submitted.

The Eastern Ontario Baseball Hall of Fame is a virtual Hall of Fame that showcases the Inductees with a picture and biography.

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APPENDIX i - PAST PRESIDENTS, LIFE MEMBERS, HONORARY MEMBERS, and CHARTERED MEMBERS











Past Presidents							
	Name	Local	Years Served		Name	Local	Years Served
1	Jack Carson *	Belleville	1964 - 1965	2	Dick Ellis *	Belleville	1966 - 1967
3	Jim Gilmer	Port Hope	1968 - 1969	4	Jim Lutton	Oshawa	1970 - 1971
5	John Ryan *	Cobourg	1972 - 1973	6	Grant Wade *	Newtonville	1974
7	Art Parry *	Oshawa	1974	8	Sanford Haskill *	Port Hope	1975
9	John Robinson	Peterborough	1976	10	Mort Hollowell *	Port Hope	1976
11	Ed Christopher *	Belleville	1977 - 1978	12	Doug Finney	Oshawa	1979 - 1980
13	George Spalding *	Cobourg	1981 - 1984	14	Rod Fillier	Ajax	1985 - 1988
15	Doug Lustic *	Peterborough	1989 - 1991	16	Ron Jay	Cobourg	1992 - 1993
17	Dave Bemma	Port Hope	1994 - 1995	18	Curtis Dadswell	Ajax	1996 - 1997
19	Mark Orton	Oshawa	1998 - 1999	20	Randy Pickle	Oshawa	2000 - 2002
21	Don Leaman	Cobourg	2003 - 2004	22	Troy May *	Oshawa	2005 - 2006
23	Tony Morra	Whitby	2007 - 2008	24	John Smeelen	Pickering	2009 - 2011
25	Scott Meadwell	Whitby	2012 - 2013	26	Steve Moore / Bill Fleming	Pickering / Belleville	2014
27	Sheryl Pryce	Whitby	2015	28	Bill Fleming	Belleville	2016 - 2017
29	Todd Denault	Cobourg	2018 - 2020	30	Scott Manson	Ajax	2021

Life Members					
Name	Local	Year Inducted	Name	Local	Year Inducted
Ed Christopher *	Belleville	1996	Jim Lutton	Oshawa	1994
Carol Steele	Kingston	2011	Vi Christopher *	Belleville	2015

Honorary Members					
Name	Local	Year Inducted	Name	Local	Year Inducted
Mike Harrison *	Port Hope	1968	Bill Fleming	Belleville	2015
Gord Dolley	Cobourg	1968	George Brown	Whitby	2020

Charter Members					
Name	Local	Year Inducted	Name	Local	Year Inducted
Jack Carson *	Belleville	1964	Art Parry *	Oshawa	1964
Jim Gilmer	Port Hope	1964	C. R. Carveth *	Newcastle	1964
Arnold Wade *	Newtonville	1964	Spero Annis *	Peterborough	1964
John Ryan *	Cobourg	1964	Harold Griffen *	Cannifton	1964
William Rawlinson *	Peterborough	1964			

APPENDIX ii - LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

Ajax Spartans Minor Baseball Association	ASMBA	
Clarington Baseball Association	CBA	
Kawartha Baseball Association	KBA	
Kingston Thunder Baseball Association	KTBA	
Northumberland Baseball Association	NBA	
Oshawa Legion Minor Baseball Association	OLMBA	
Peterborough Baseball Association	PBA	
Pickering Baseball Association	PBA	
Quinte Baseball Association	QBA	
Uxbridge Youth Baseball Association	UYBA	
Whitby Minor Baseball Association	WMBA	

Senior Teams

Clarington Cubs	
Kendal Eagles	
Port Hope Flyers	
Whitby Seniors	

APPENDIX iv - EOBA DIRECTORY

THE OFFICERS			
President	Brian MacIntyre	president@eoba.net	
1st Vice - President	Chad Crawford	1stvicepresident@eoba.net	
2nd Vice – President	Andy Topolie	2ndvicepresident@eoba.net	
Secretary	George Brown	secretary@eoba.net	
Treasurer	Mark Orton	treasurer@eoba.net	
Registrar	Bill Rourke	registrar@eoba.net	
BOARD OF DIRECTORS = THE ELECTED DIRECTORS (INCLUDING THE OFFICERS) PLUS ANY APPOINTED DIRECTORS			
Elected Director 1	Deena Misale		
Elected Director 2	John Smeelen		
Elected Director 3	Jeff Smyth		
Elected Director 4	Ryan Van Hartingsveldt		
Elected Director 5	George Brown		
Elected Director 6	Bill Rourke		
Appointed Director 1	Scott Meadwell		
Appointed Director 2	Randy Pickle		
Appointed Director 3	Todd Denault		
Appointed Director 4	<i>Not available for 2024</i>		
BOARD OBSERVERS (the Immediate Past President and Life Members who wish to be attend Board Meetings without a vote)			
Board Observers	Carol Steele (Life Member)	carol@waynegay.com	
Board Observers	Scott Manson (Imed. Past Pres)	scottkmanson@gmail.com	
Board Observers	Jim Lutton (Life Member)	jelutton@sympatico.ca	
OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE (DIRECTORS, BOARD OBSERVERS, PAST PRESIDENTS (who wish to be active) AND LOCAL ASSOCIATION ATTENDEES (where the Local has 3 or more teams)			
Association		Main Attendee	Contact
Ajax	ASMBA	John Warwick	
Clarington	CBA	Jay Cannings	
Kawartha	KBA	Jamie King	
Kingston	KTBA	Matt Steele	
Northumberland	NBA	James Baxter	
Oshawa	OLMBA	Daryl Macklem	
Peterborough	PBA	Bob Neck	
Pickering	PBA	Chuck Wurster	
Quinte	QBA	Adam Martin	
Uxbridge	UYBA	Bill Terry	
Whitby	WMBA	Adam Summers	
Past President			
Past President			
Past President			

Committees

Committee Name	Chair	Contact
Appeals/Protests	Andy Topolie	
Awards	Chad Crawford	
Discipline	Chad Crawford	
Nominations	Todd Denault	
Policy/Procedures	George Brown	
Umpire Liaison		
AGM	Mark Orton	
Fall Travel/All Star	Scott Meadwell	
Finance	Mark Orton	
Coach and Player Development		
Historical Research	Jim Lutton	
Website	Anita Barnard	eobawebste@gmail.com

External Representatives

External Body	Representative	Contact
Baseball Ontario Rep Council	Todd Denault	
Baseball Ontario Rules	Todd Denault	
Select Rep	Scott Manson	
EBLO Rep	Todd Denault	
YSBA/TBA Rep	Todd Denault	

Commissioners

Level	Commissioner	Contact
Head	John Smeelen/Bill Rourke	
08U	Scott Manson	
09U	Scott Manson	
10U	Ryan VanHartingsveldt	
11U	Carol Steele	
12U	Jeff Smyth	
13U	Ryan VanHartingsveldt	
14U	Chuck Wurster	
15U	Carol Steele	
16U	Brian MacIntyre	
18U	Deena Misale	
22U	Todd Denault	
Senior	Ryan VanHartingsveldt	

APPENDIX v - EOBA Boundaries and Boundaries of the Local Associations

EOBA Boundary

The territory governed by the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association and approved by the Ontario Baseball Association shall begin at Lake Ontario and the Rouge River as the south-west boundary, and consist of: all of Durham Region, all of the Municipality of Kawartha Lakes (formerly Victoria County) with the exception of that area north of County Rd 48 and west of Highway 35; all of Haliburton with the exception of that portion west of Highway 35; all of the Counties of Peterborough, Northumberland, Hastings, Prince Edward, Lennox and Addington, and Frontenac (including the separated Town of Kingston and the islands of Howe, Amherst, and Wolfe); to the juncture of the Frontenac eastern boundary and the St. Lawrence River as the south-east boundary.

Local Association Boundaries

Ajax Spartans Minor Baseball Association

All of the Town of Ajax within the Regional Municipality of Durham including all former villages therein (e.g. includes Pickering Village)

Clarington Orioles Baseball Association

Starting with the western boundary at Lake Ontario and Townline road separating the City of Oshawa and the Municipality of Clarington, north to Scugog Township line, east to Darlington Clarke Townline road, south to Manvers township line, east to " East Townline road" which separates from" Township of Hope" and south to Lake Ontario, then back west along the shore of Lake Ontario to the starting point at Townline road and Lake Ontario.

Kawartha Baseball Association

The limits of the former Town of Lindsay.

Kingston Thunder Baseball Association

The Kingston Thunder Boundaries include the following: all of the amalgamated City of Kingston; within Frontenac County all of the County including the Townships of Frontenac Islands (Simcoe and Wolfe), South Frontenac, Central Frontenac, North Frontenac; and within the County of Lennox and Addington, Loyalist Township, Township of Stone Mills and Greater Napanee.

Oshawa Legion (Minor) Baseball Association

All of the City of Oshawa within the Regional Municipality of Durham including all former villages therein (e.g. includes Columbus and Raglan).

Northumberland Baseball Association

Starting at the western boundary which is Lake Ontario and East Townline Rd (Hope/Clarke Boundary Rd) - which includes Welcome, Morrish, Zion, Osaca, Elizabethville, North to County Rd #9 (Elizabethville), east on County Rd #9 to Garden Hill, then North again at Garden Hill to Eagleson 1st Line - which includes Campbellcroft, Garden Hill, Perrytown, Bewdley, then East to Hwy #28, south on Hwy #28 to Dale Rd which includes Rossmount, Davidson's Corners, Dale, continuing east on Dale Rd Hwy 74 to Hwy 45, then proceed south on Hwy #45 to the Cobourg Town limits and following the eastern edge of the Town of Cobourg south to Lake Ontario, then west along the shore of Lake Ontario to the starting point which includes all of Wesleyville, Port Hope, and Cobourg.

Peterborough Baseball Association

All of the City of Peterborough.

Pickering Baseball Association

All of the City of Pickering within the Regional Municipality of Durham including all former villages therein (e.g. includes Whitevale, Green River, Brougham, Greenwood, Claremont).

Quinte Baseball Association

The Quinte Baseball Association encompasses: all of Prince Edward County; those portions of the County of Hastings starting at junction of the shoreline of the Bay of Quinte and the easterly border of the County of Hastings including Deseronto, north to Highway 7, then west on Highway 7 to the easterly border of the Township of Madoc, then north to the northern border of the Township of Madoc, then west to the western border of the county of Hastings including the former Marmora Township in the new Municipality of Marmora and Lake, then south along the western border of Hastings County including all of the municipality of Quinte West to the shoreline of Lake Ontario; and all of the Municipality of Trent Hills in the County of Northumberland.

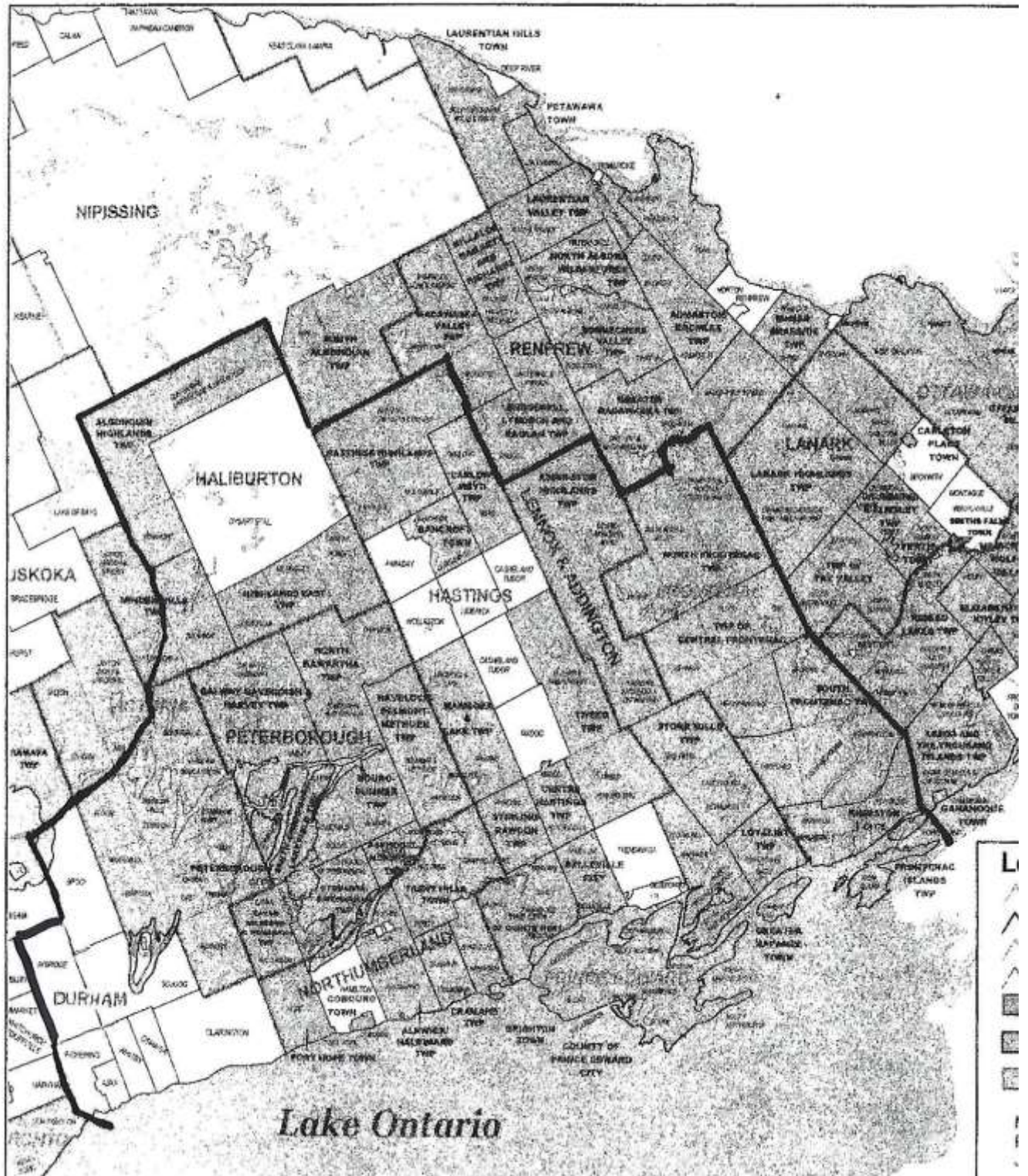
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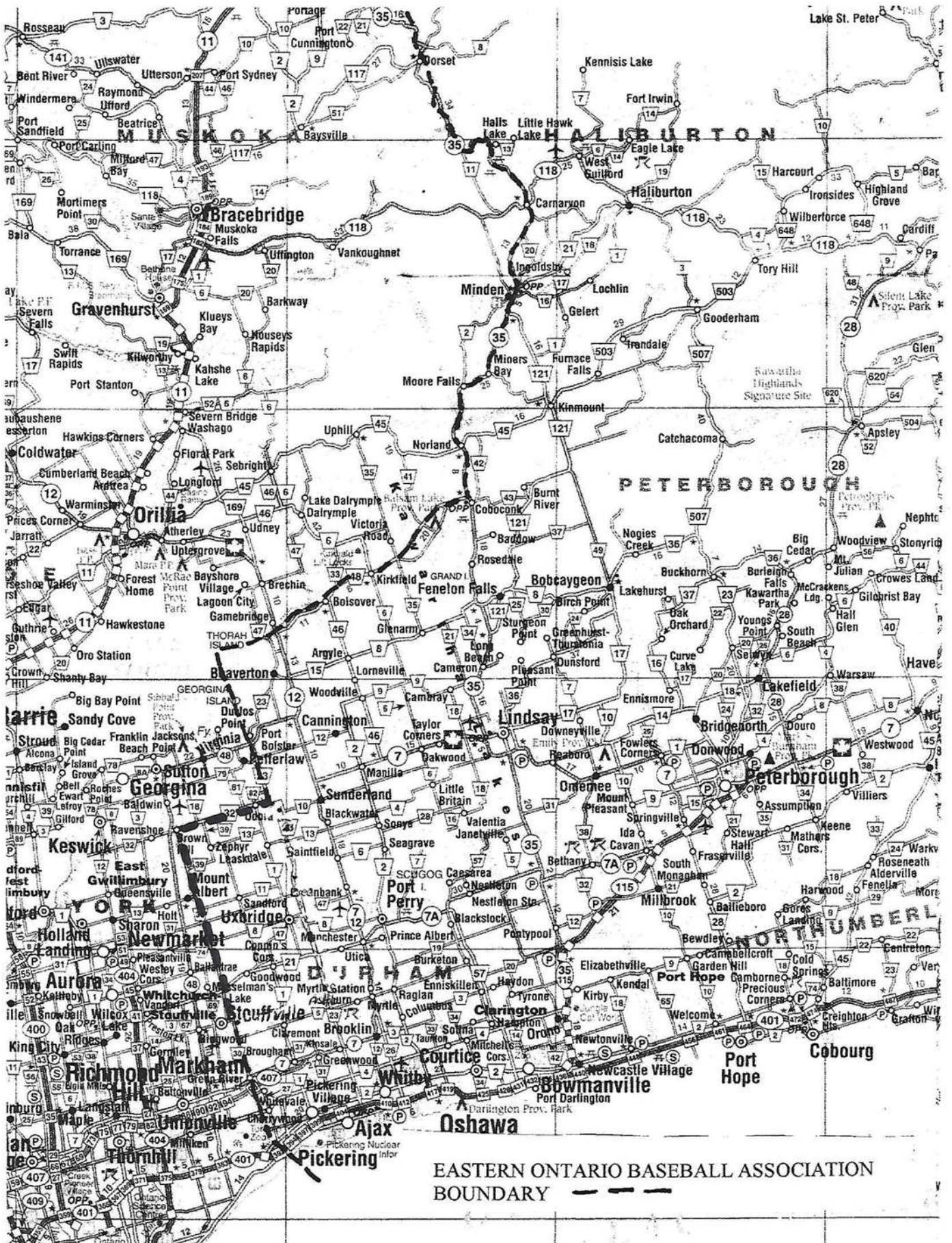
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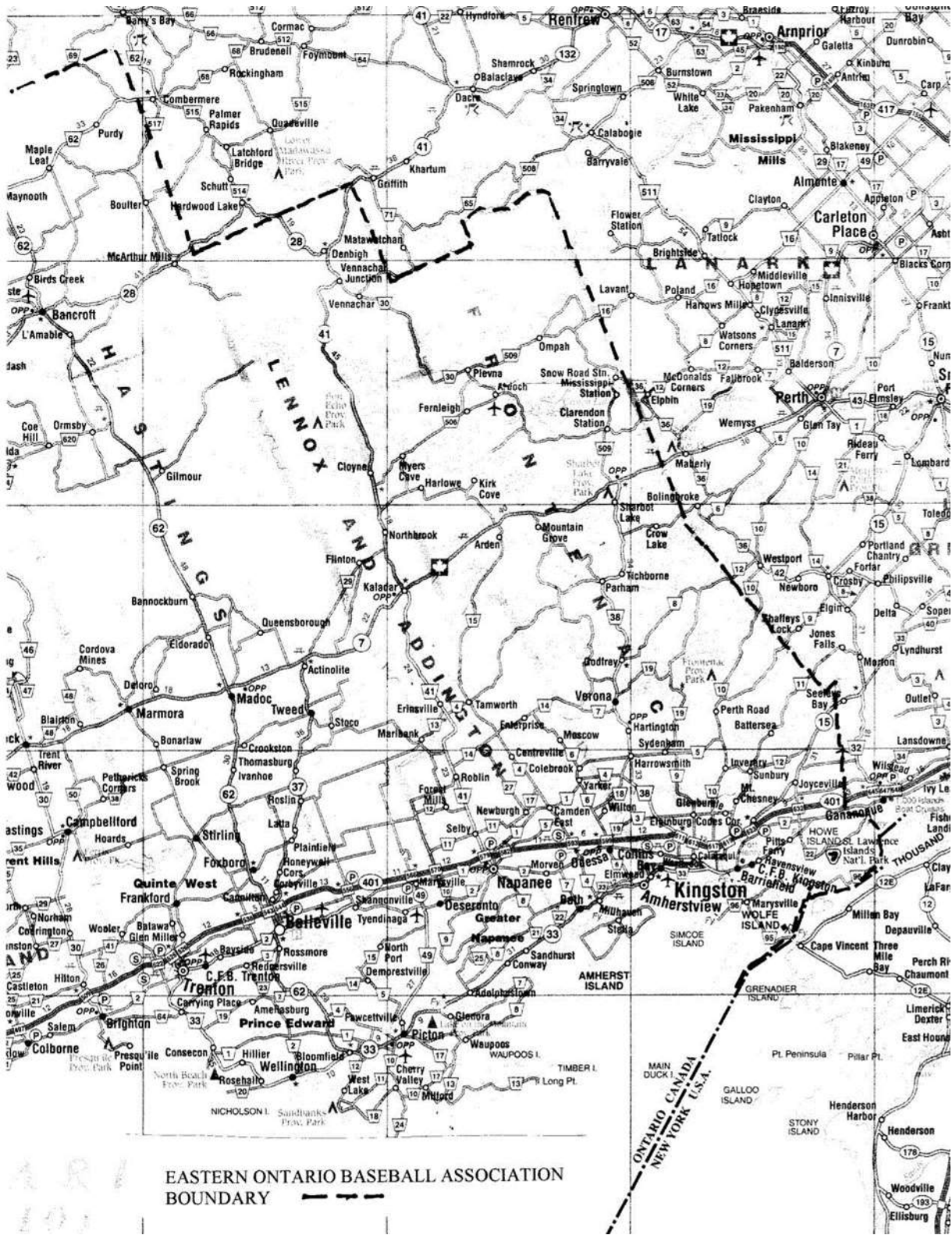
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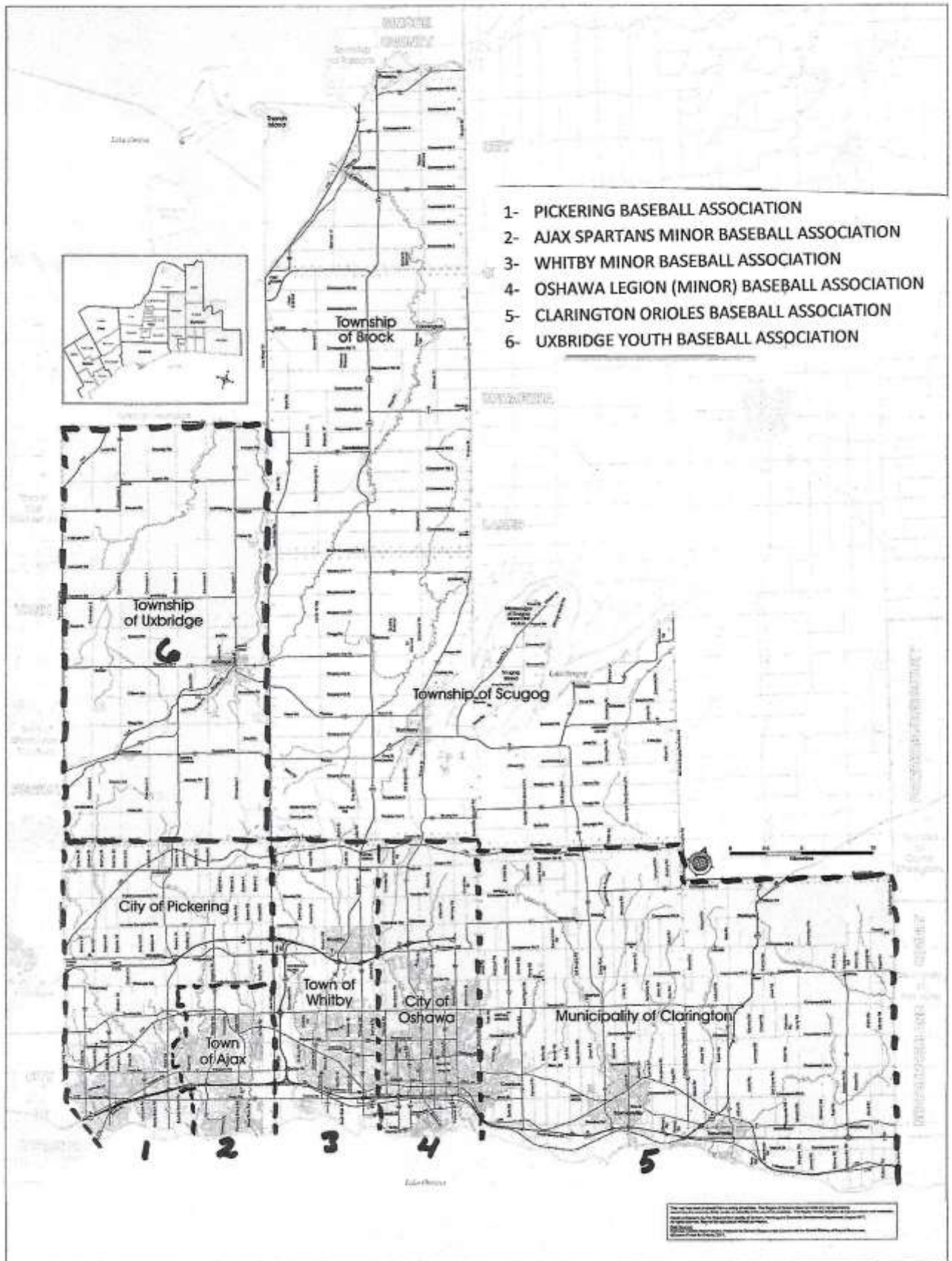
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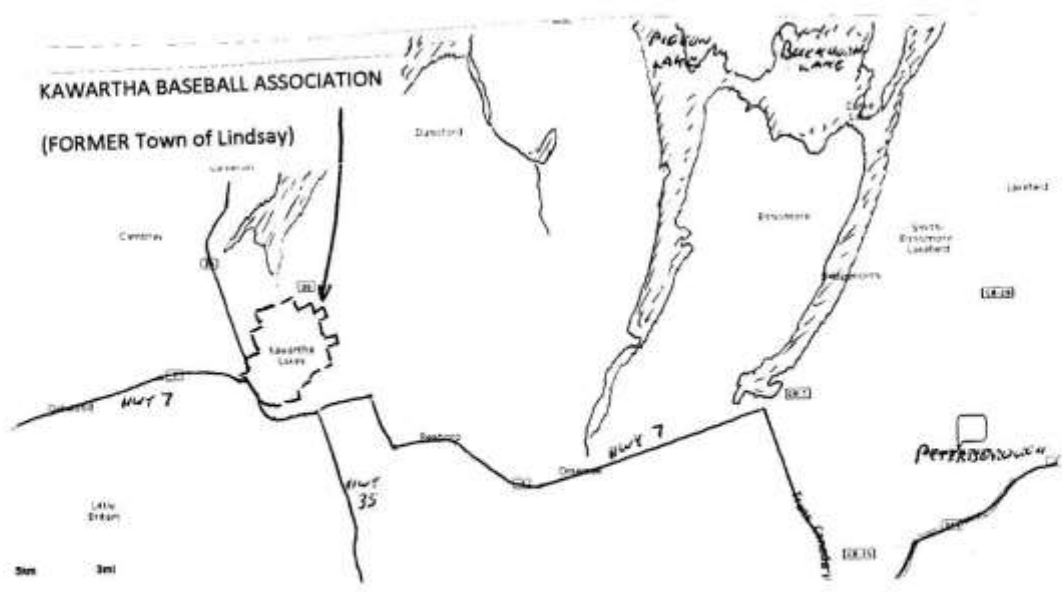
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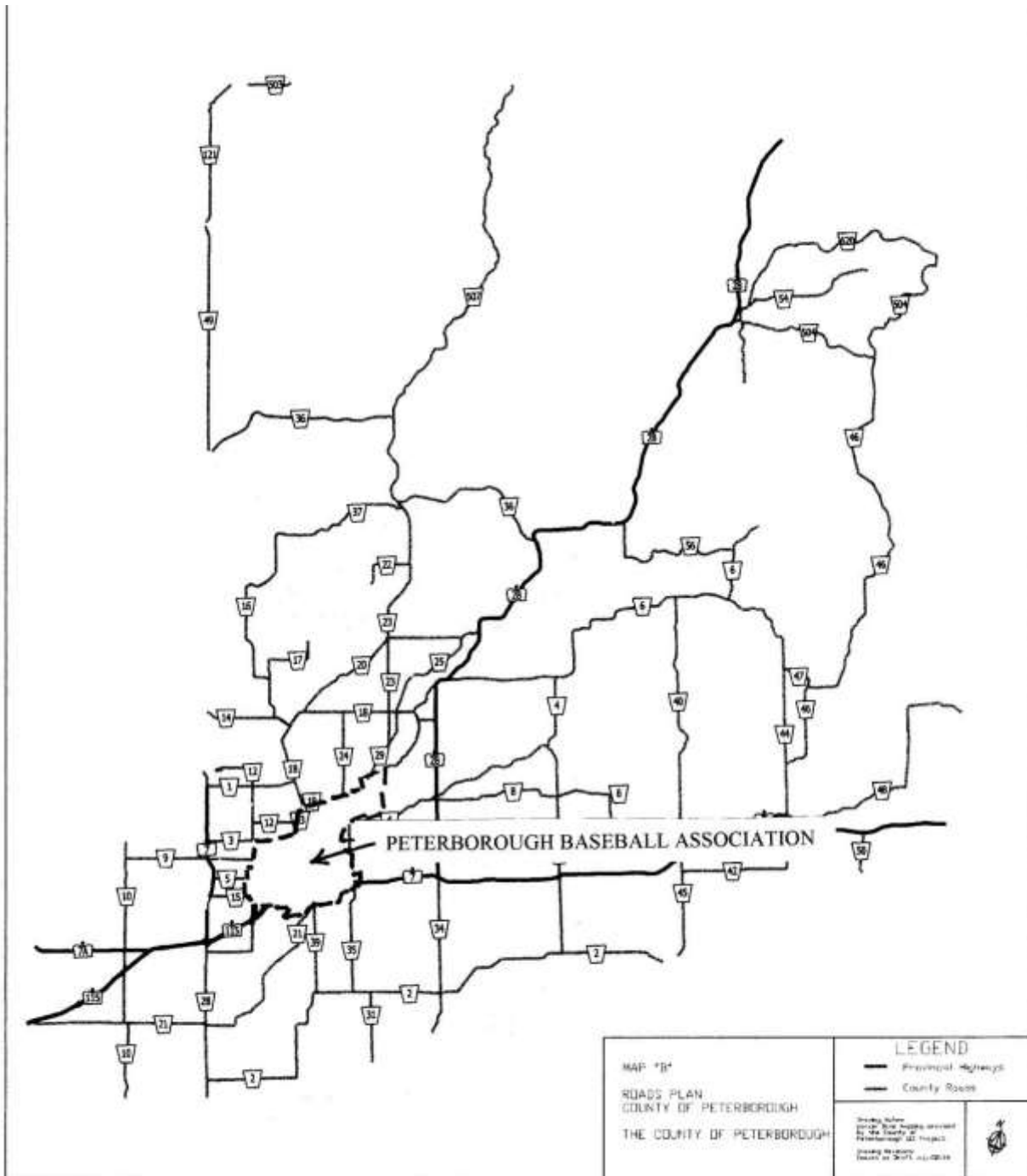
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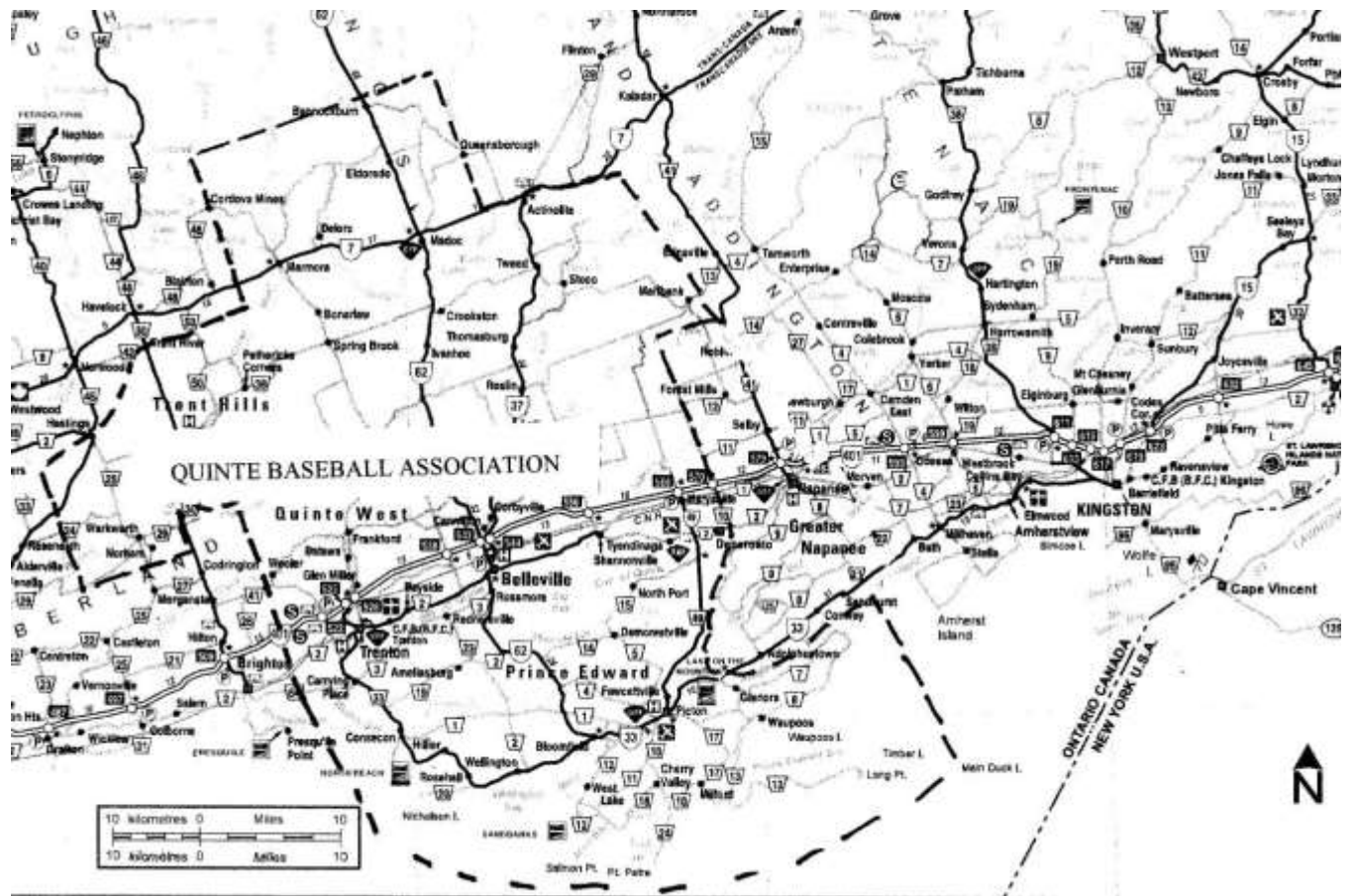
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- ⑤ MUNICIPALITY OF BRIGHTON - HIGHWAY 401
- ⑥ VILLAGE OF COLBORNE - CRAMAHE TOWNSHIP
- ⑦ CRAMAHE TOWNSHIP INDUSTRIAL PARK
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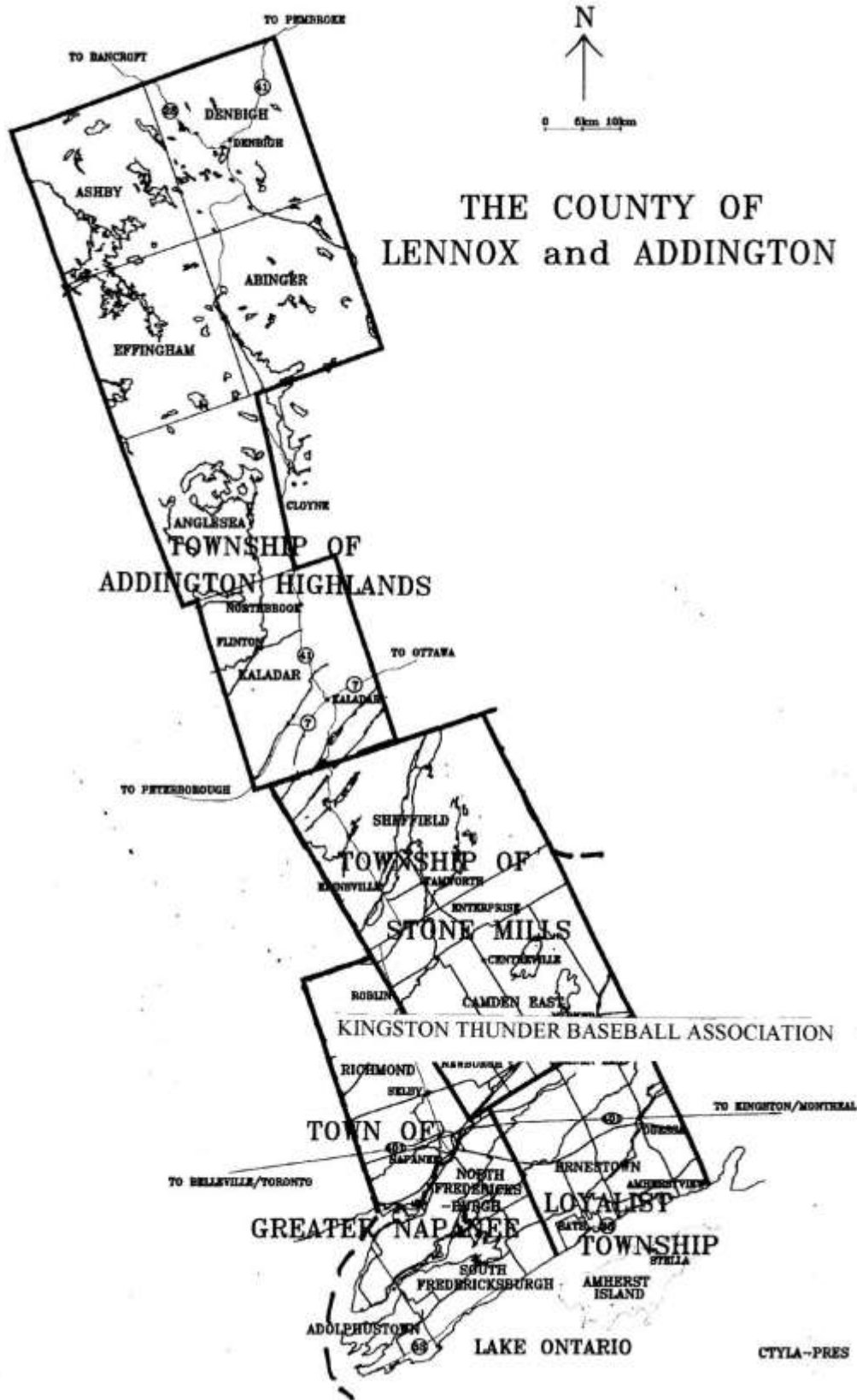
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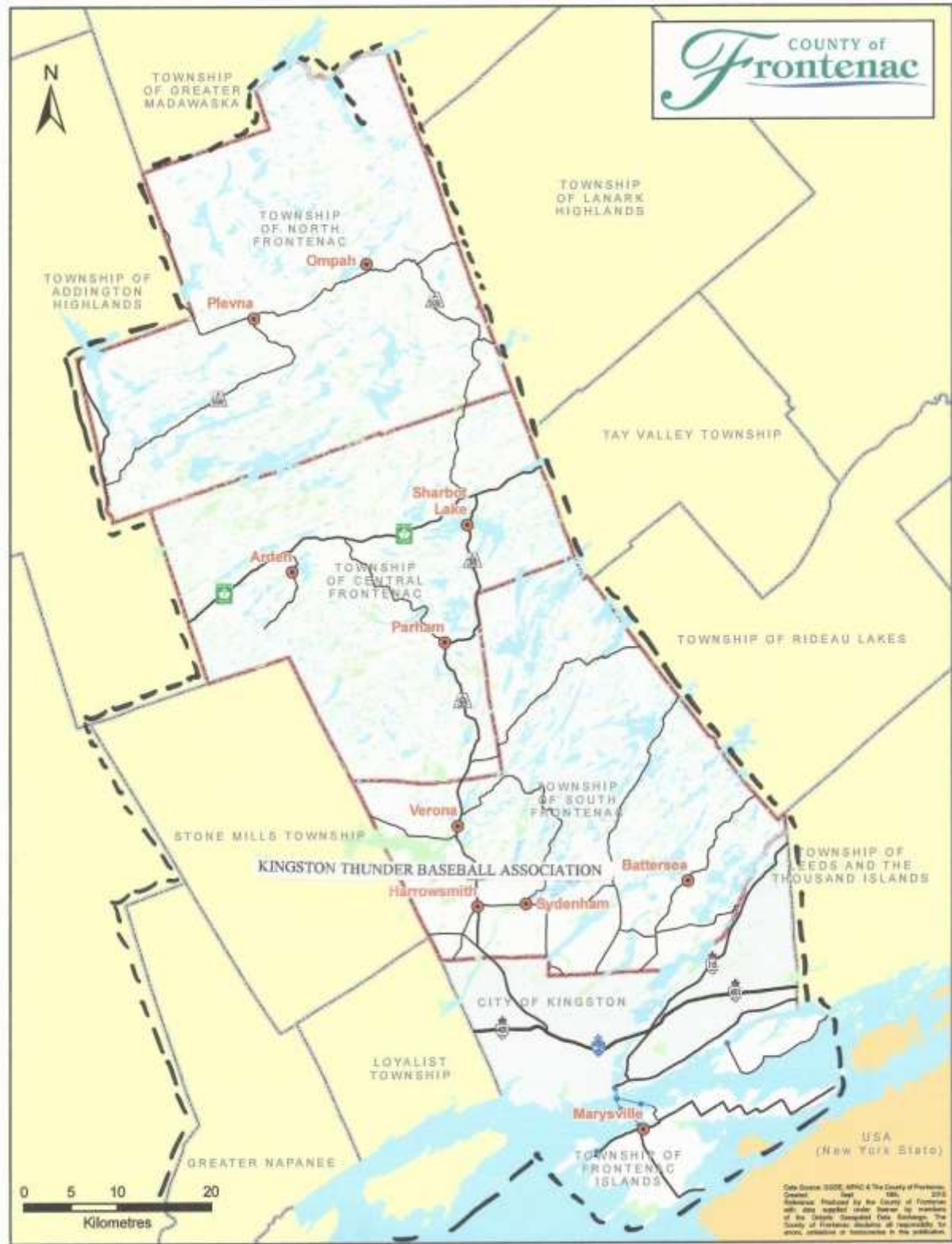












APPENDIX vi

DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS

Association	Association shall mean the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association Incorporated, Eastern Ontario Baseball Association, Eastern Ontario Baseball, or EOBA.
Club	A Club is an individual team with its own management and/or executive.
Coach	An on-field individual assisting the Manager (Head Coach). The Coach must be signed to an OBA Manager/Coach Certificate. A player participating in the Senior Series may also be signed as a Coach with his respective Senior team.
Complaint	A complaint is a request by an individual or team for the EOBA Executive to investigate a problem (i.e. judgement, conditions, eligibility, etc.).
Complete Game	A complete game is a regulation game of seven innings for the 8U to 13U Series and nine innings for 14u to Senior Series except when shortened by a mercy rule or a game or park curfew. See Section 4.2.
Deciding Game	The deciding game of a playoff series shall be that game whereby if <u>either</u> team wins the game, that team wins the series.
Default	If either team does not have nine signed players to start a game, a default shall be declared.
Direct Entry	A Club or Team representing an area outside of the boundaries of the EOBA and properly released from its home OBA affiliated association, if such an association exists, desirous of participating in EOBA league play and playoffs.
Doubleheader	Two scheduled games to be played by the same two teams on one scheduled date in the same park. The time shown on the schedule is the scheduled time for the first game of the doubleheader. A maximum of thirty (30) minutes shall be allowed between the last out of the first game and the first pitch of the second game. The first game must be played and be a complete game before the second game may start. See Section 4.2.
EOBA Umpire-in-Chief	An individual(s) appointed by the EOBA President to act as the supervisor of umpires registered with the EOBA.
Exhibition Game	A game played between two teams, not scheduled by the responsible Series Commissioner, and not having any effect on league standings or playoffs, but may be considered for team classification.
Forfeit	If either team does not have nine signed players to complete a game, a forfeit shall be declared by the Umpire-in-Chief of the game. A forfeit may also be declared for failure to continue or violation of the Rules of Baseball.
Final Series	A playoff series between two teams to determine a league champion or playoff representative to OBA playdowns.
Full Executive	The Full Executive consists of the Officers of the EOBA, the Secretary-Treasurer-Registrar, approved active Past-President (s), Directors, and Association

	Appointees.
Guarantee Deposit	The amount of money set forth by the Constitution of the EOBA to be deposited by each team entered to guarantee fulfilment of that team's commitments to the EOBA. This amount of money may be considered as a performance bond. See also Performance Bond .
Head Coach	see Manager.
In Good Standing	A Club shall be considered in good standing for fulfilling their league, playoff, and financial commitments to the EOBA. An Executive Member, Local Association Appointee shall maintain good standing based on attendance at scheduled executive meetings, or acceptable reasoning for absence. A Club, Executive Member, or Local Association Appointee not in good standing shall lose their right to vote at any meeting of the EOBA. Any Individual, Association, or Team that is deemed to be Not in Good Standing shall be treated the same as if they were under EOBA Suspension.
Ineligible	An individual under suspension or whose certificate has been rejected based on the Constitution of the EOBA or OBA or playing in a Series younger than his age permits or a team under suspension.
Local Association	An affiliation of clubs representing all or part of a municipality within the boundaries of the EOBA.
Manager	The on-field individual most responsible for the actions and conduct of a team while on the ball field. The Manager may also be referred to as the Head Coach. The Manager must be signed to an OBA Manager/Coach Certificate. A player participating in the Senior Series may also be signed as a Manager (Head Coach) with his respective Senior team.
Minor Series	A minor series shall be any of the following: 8U, 9U, 10U, 11U, 12U, 13U, 14U, 15U, 16U, 18U, 22U.
Performance Bond	The amount of money set forth by the Constitution of the EOBA to be deposited by each team entered to guarantee fulfilment of that team's commitments to the EOBA. See also Guarantee Deposit .
Playdowns/Playoffs	Post-season play to determine league champion and/or EOBA representatives to the OBA playdowns. These playoffs may be tournament style, series style, round - robin style or a combination of styles.
Player	An individual (male or female) properly signed to an OBA Player's Certificate.
Protest	A protest is a formal appeal by an individual or team of an Umpire's ruling, based interpretation only, during a game (may not be based on Umpire's judgement). See Section 14.

Regulation Game	Sometimes referred to as an Official Game. A game that has progressed to the point that the Home Team is ahead at the half-way point of the game or any ½ inning thereafter or where the Visiting Team is ahead at the end of any inning after the half-way point in the game. Note the exception for 8u and 9u in that a mercy may occur before the ½ way point of the game. Rules covering Suspended Games, No Game, and mercy conditions are outlined in 4.2.
Regular Season	The EOBA shall determine annually the earliest opening date and the final date for regular season league play and all scheduled games must be completed and reported by the final date.
Schedule	The calendar date for a team's game(s) in accordance with the approved schedule or a date agreed upon by both teams and approved by the Commissioner for a rescheduled game.
Scheduled Date	The calendar date for a team's game(s) in accordance with the approved schedule or a date agreed upon by both teams and approved by the Commissioner for a rescheduled game.
Scheduled Time	The scheduled time of a game is the time as it appears on the approved schedule or as agreed upon for a rescheduled game.
Scheduled Game	A scheduled game is a game played on a scheduled date. A doubleheader is two scheduled games on a scheduled date.
Senior	A baseball player on an EOBA registered Senior team and older than age 22 during the current playing year.
Team	A team shall consist of a minimum of 11 players, to a maximum of 25, signed to Player's Certificates of that Club or Team. Each Club or Team must have at least one Manager and/or one or more Coach(s) who shall be responsible for that team. A Team shall be a member of, and under the auspices of the executive of a local association.
Umpire-in-Chief	For any game the Plate Umpire shall be the Umpire-in-Chief.
Vintage	A baseball player on a Vintage team and older than age 35 during the current playing year.
Women	A girl playing on an OBA registered Women's baseball team and not older than 25 in the current playing year.
8U	A baseball player on an EOBA registered 8U baseball team and not older than age 8 during the current playing year.
9U	A baseball player on an EOBA registered 9U baseball team and not older than age 9 during the current playing year.
10U	A baseball player on an EOBA registered 10U baseball team and not older than age 10 during the current playing year.
11U	A baseball player on an EOBA registered 11U and not older than age 11 during the current playing year.

- 12U** A baseball player on an EOBA registered 12U baseball team and not older than age 12 during the current playing year.
- 13U** A baseball player on an EOBA registered 13U and not older than age 13 during the current playing year.
- 14U** A baseball player on an EOBA registered 14U baseball team and not older than age 14 during the current playing year.
- 15U** A baseball player on an EOBA registered Bantam team and not older than age 15 during the current playing year.
- 15U Girl** A girl playing on an OBA registered Bantam Girls baseball team and age 12, 13 or 14 in the current playing year.
- 16U** A baseball player on an EOBA registered 16U baseball team and not older than age 16 during the current playing year.
- 18U** A baseball player on an EOBA registered 18u team and not older than age 18 during the current playing year.
- 22U** A baseball player on an EOBA registered 22U team and not older than age 22 during the current playing year.

Appendix vii - Approved Fees

2.2.3	Performance Bond – Single Entry teams	\$600
	Performance Bond – Direct Entry teams	\$600
	Performance Bond – Outside Affiliate teams playing in EOBA	\$600
2.2.4	Team Entry/Player Registration Fee (up to and including 22u for non-EBLO teams (\$150+OBA fee)	\$300
	Team Entry/Player Registration Fee for EBLO and Senior teams not playing in the EOBA (\$25+OBA fee)	\$175
	Failure to submit Team Entry fine	\$500
2.2.6.1	Bank Charges Administrative Fee	\$30
2.2.6.2	Special Handling Fee	\$10
2.2.6.3	Collection Fee minimum charge	\$10
2.3.6.1	Late submission of roster fine	\$25
2.3.16	Coach removed from roster (did not get courses completed) fine	\$50
3.2.3	22U and higher series, failure to meet commitments fine	\$25
4.1.7	Fine for refusing to play regular season game	Up to \$200
5.6	Fine for refusing to play OBA Playdown or EOBA Championship game	Up to \$200
5.5.1	Default mileage rate per kilometer	\$0.80
6.1	Fine for Failure to submit on-line game form within 24 hours	\$10
6.7	Fine for not reporting team tournament results	\$10
14.3.2	Suspension Appeal Fee	\$100
14.3.3	Non-refundable Fee for Classification Appeal per team	\$50
14.3.4	Non-refundable Fee for EOBA Classification meeting decision appeals	\$50
14.3.5	Non-refundable Appeal of Series Commissioner decision fee	\$50
14.4.1	Release appeal charge (if the appellant is a player and wins then 50% is returned; if the appellant is a team or association and wins then \$0 is returned)	\$100
15.14	Fine for tampering	\$250-\$1000
17.6.2	EOBA Fine for pulling out of OBA Championship	\$200
19.2	Awards fee (per team)	\$0

Appendix viii - EOBA Allowable Expense Policy

The EOBA elected and appointed members are entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred while participating in events on behalf of the EOBA. Those events shall include: attending OBA meetings and events, attending EOBA appeal, disciplinary and protest hearings, attending required functions (i.e. EOBA team tryouts) on behalf of the coaching and development committee, attending as series chair any EOBA playoffs and playdowns and other events as shall be determined with the prior approval of at least two officers of the EOBA. The officers shall be President, 1st V.P. 2nd V.P. Secretary, Registrar and Treasurer.

The allowable expense for mileage is at the OBA approved rate per kilometer round trip subject to revision with approval of the EOBA Board of Directors. Note that regular and special meetings of the EOBA including the annual general meeting do not qualify for mileage reimbursement.

The daily breakfast allowance shall be no greater than \$20.00 tax, and tip included.

The daily allowance for lunch shall be no greater than \$30.00 tax, and tip included.

The daily allowance for dinner shall be no greater than \$40.00 tax, and tip included.

The above meal allowances are for meals at or on route to the location of the recognized event. They do not apply to meals in the home location prior to or after attending a recognized event.

Hotels must be approved by the officers in advance with the exception of emergency lodging expenses. If road closures or weather conditions make travel unsafe then the required hotel fee can be presented to the officers afterwards for reimbursement with a \$150 per night limitation. Additional charges for meals, movies, room service, alcohol, bar fridge etc. will not be reimbursed unless they meet the requirements of the above food allowance.

Appendix ix - EOBA RELEASE INFORMATION

OBA Release Policy SECTION RP1.5 PLAYERS CHANGING TEAMS/RELEASE/TRANSFER POLICY

- a) Players are only allowed to be registered with one team at any time. Players registered with one team must be properly released before registering with a second team. This applies to all series.
- b) A player's playing rights are held by: (i) the Local Association(s) where he/she resides as set forth in P1.3 and P1.4; and (ii) the Local Association where he/she played the previous season if the player obtained all necessary releases under this section P1.5. At the Affiliated Association level, a player's playing rights are held by the Affiliated Association(s) where he/she resides as set forth P1.3 and P1.4.
- c) Before a player may participate in a practice, game, tryout, evaluation or other baseball activity with a team that does not currently hold the player's playing rights, the player must obtain the appropriate authorization as specified below.
- d) Where a player wishes to participate in another team's out-of-province game or tournament, and is registered with the Local Association that holds his/her playing rights, then permission from the Local Association and the Affiliated Association are required.
- e) Where a player desires to register with a Direct Entry or Local Association that does not hold his/her playing rights, the player must obtain:
- i. a release from each Local Association that hold his/her playing rights as set out in P1.5 b); and ii. a release from the Affiliated Association where the player resides, if the player desires to register with a Direct Entry or Local

Association outside of the Affiliated Association where the player resides. The request for a release must be in writing and the granting or refusal of a release shall be in writing authorized by the current management of the Direct Entry, Local Association or Affiliated Association involved. The foregoing does not apply at Junior or Senior where no release is required and a player may sign with a team that does not hold his/her playing rights without a release as long as there is no equipment, uniform or financial obligation owing to their previous team.

- f) Where a player desires to participate in a tryout, evaluation, practice or other baseball activity with a team that does not currently hold the player's playing rights, the player must obtain the releases required by P1.5e).
- g) Where a Local Association or Direct Entry grants a player a release, such release is valid and remains in full force and effect so long as the player continues to play for the Local Association or Direct Entry with which the player registered on the basis of having been granted such release.
- h) All releases must be in writing and cannot be conditional.
- i) Any player, for whom a Local Association is not prepared to offer a spot on one of the Local Association's OBA teams, is deemed to be released. The Local Association is required to provide a written release upon request by the player.
- j) Any player, who has not been played by his/her team in 3 or more consecutive games, has the right to appeal to the OBA Technical Committee should the player's team refuse to release the player. k) Releases shall not be valid until filed with the OBA Office.

Local Release Appeal - Procedure

Keep in mind going through this process takes **TIME!** Plan accordingly.

After you have been denied by your local association, you can appeal to the EOBA. As a rule we give ourselves a window of up to 30 days to hear the appeal and issue a written decision. The EOBA Appeal Chair will follow rules as worded in EOBA Constitution 14.4 -

Release Appeals

How the Appeal Process with EOBA works,

1. Notify the EOBA Appeal Chair via email. This email address can be found on the EOBA website.
2. The EOBA Appeal Chair will form a committee and find a location and date as to when all parties can meet.
3. Forward supporting materials to the EOBA Appeal Chair.
4. The EOBA Appeal Chair will forward these materials and all correspondence on the matter to the committee members.
5. The EOBA Appeal Chair will send out an agenda for the meeting to all who will be attending.
6. After the hearing is complete, the EOBA Appeal Chair will issue a written decision.
7. If the player is successful, the EOBA Appeal Chair will also issue the completed “Local Release Granted by the EOBA” form. **Note:** The Release is not considered valid unless you have a signed copy of a Local Release Granted by the EOBA form in your possession.

At this point, the EOBA Local Release Appeal process will be complete.

Affiliate Release - Procedure

Keep in mind going through this process takes **TIME!** Plan accordingly.

After you have been granted a Release by your local association, you can request an Affiliate Release from the EOBA.

How the **Affiliate Release** Process with EOBA works,

1. Notify the EOBA Secretary via email. This email address can be found on the EOBA website.
2. Forward a copy of your Local Association Release to the EOBA Secretary.
3. The EOBA Secretary will add to the agenda of the next EOBA meeting for discussion with the Executive.
4. The executive will vote to allow or deny the release.
5. After the meeting is complete, the EOBA Secretary will issue a written notice of the decision.
6. If the player is successful, the EOBA Secretary will also issue the completed “Affiliate Release Granted by the EOBA” form. **Note:** The Release is not considered valid unless you have a signed copy of an Affiliate Release Granted by the EOBA form in your possession.

At this point, the EOBA Affiliate Release process will be complete.

Appendix x

PROCEDURE FOR EOBA APPROVAL TO HOST: TOURNAMENTS, UMPIRE CLINICS, COACHING CLINICS OR TO ATTEND ELIMINATIONS

All requests by Local Associations to host Tournaments, umpire clinics, or coaching clinics must be done through the OBA's online site for submitting such requests. The same is true for teams wishing to attend the Provincial Elimination tournaments. Once submitted they are automatically sent by the OBA to the EOBA Secretary for approval at which time they will be handled as follows.

Note that applications to host umpire and coaching clinics or to attend the Eliminations do not require the approval of the EOBA Board of Directors.

Approval to Host a Tournament applications

1. The Secretary will review the application and determine if the Local Association or team is in good standing. If the applicant is not in good standing then they will be contacted and told to take the steps necessary to return to good standing prior to any further action on the application taking place.
2. Once it has been determined that the Local or team is in good standing then the Secretary will determine whether the tournament is a tournament that has been approved the previous year for the same age group and weekend (e.g. Minor Bantam AA for the 3rd weekend in June). If so, then the secretary will take the next step in the approval process. If not, then the event will be placed on the agenda for the next EOBA Executive meeting for discussion and possible approval. Prior to that if the Secretary notices that the application has a possible conflict with another application or tournament then contact will be made with the local(s) to see if they wish to amend their date.
3. Once the tournament has received approval from the Secretary or the EOBA Executive in step 2, the Secretary will do the online approval of the application and notice will be sent back automatically to the OBA.
4. OBA fees are to be paid by the Local Association or team directly to the OBA. Failure to pay the fee will result in the EOBA not being in good standing and that will be rectified by the EOBA paying any outstanding amount from the Local Association or team's performance bond. The EOBA tournament hosting fee (section 17.5) will be invoiced to the Local Association by the EOBA Secretary.

Approval to Host an Umpire Clinic

1. The Secretary will review the application and determine if the Local Association or team is in good standing. If the applicant is not in good standing then they will be contacted and told to take the steps necessary to return to good standing prior to any further action on the application taking place.
2. Once it has been determined that the Local or team is in good standing then the Secretary will do the online approval of the application and notice will be sent back automatically to the OBA. Prior to that if the Secretary notices that the application has a possible conflict with another application or EOBA clinic then contact will be made with the local(s) to see if they wish to amend their date.
3. All fees are to be paid by the Local Association or team directly to the OBA. Failure to pay the fee will result in the EOBA not being in good standing and that will be rectified by the EOBA paying any outstanding amount from the Local Association or team's performance bond.

Approval to Host a Coaching Clinic

1. The Secretary will review the application and determine if the Local Association or team is in good standing. If the applicant is not in good standing then they will be contacted and told to take the steps necessary to return to good standing prior to any further action on the application taking place.
2. Once it has been determined that the Local or team is in good standing then the Secretary will do the online approval of the application and notice will be sent back automatically to the OBA. Prior to that if the Secretary notices that the application has a possible conflict with another application or EOBA clinic then contact will be made with the local(s) to see if they wish to amend their date.
3. All fees are to be paid by the Local Association or team directly to the OBA. Failure to pay the fee will result in the EOBA not being in good standing and that will be rectified by the EOBA paying any outstanding amount from the Local Association or team's performance bond.

Approval of Team Elimination applications

1. The Secretary will receive the application to attend the Eliminations tournament from the OBA and confirm that the team is properly registered with the EOBA.
2. Once it is determined that the team is properly registered with the EOBA then the Secretary will approve the application.

Appendix xi - PROCESS FOR DETERMINING IF TEAMS ARE PERMITTED TO PLAY IN THE TBA/YSBA

Any EOBA team wishing to play in the TBA/YSBA AAA loop from 8u to 14u is allowed to join the loop as long as they play a modified EOBA schedule as well. The teams will play a maximum of 30 games between both loops and will also be eligible for the EOBA Championships. The games they play in the TBA/YSBA league versus other EOBA teams will follow EOBA rules, will count for their EOBA games and standings and will also determine the EOBA representative(s). Teams wishing to enter the TBA/YSBA loop must:

1. Classify their team AAA
2. Play only AAA tournaments within Ontario
3. Must play in the modified EOBA loop.
4. Must declare by December 31st.

Appendix xii - EOBA CODE OF CONDUCT

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIRMATION

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receiving the attached Eastern Ontario Baseball Association policy statement regarding Code of Conduct as it pertains to the Officers, Directors and Board Observers of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association and understand that the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association will expect the undersigned to conduct themselves in accordance with the policy.

Dated the _____ day of _____, _____

Print Name:

Sign Name:

Eastern Ontario Baseball Association
POLICY STATEMENT
RE: BOARD OF DIRECTORS and BOARD OBSERVERS CONDUCT

Board of Directors Duties

The duty of a member of the Board of Directors is to the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association, and its members. As such, these individuals must act honestly and in good faith with the best interests of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association in mind when exercising powers and discharging duties. They must avoid conflicts of interest and must comply with the *Not for Profit Corporations Act*, the letters patent and the By-law of the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association.

Members of the Board of Directors owe The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association a duty of diligence. They need to attend and be prepared for meetings. Materials circulated in advance of a meeting need to be read. The duty of diligence involves participating in decision making. They should not merely rely on the opinions of others, but should ask their own questions and be certain in their own minds and on reasonable grounds that a proper decision is being made in the circumstances. They should ask for clarification where they find a matter confusing or unclear.

The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association's By-Law spells out that management of The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association shall be handled by The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association's Board of Directors and that operations of The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association shall be handled by The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association's Operational Committee.

There is no clear legal articulation of what is meant by the *Not for Profit Corporations Act's* statement that directors are "to manage the affairs of the corporation." What is required will differ depending upon the issue and the circumstances. There are certain decisions which are so fundamental to the affairs of The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association that only the Board should make the decision. In other situations, only oversight is required and day-to-day decisions can be made by an individual.

Standard of Care

"Standard of care" refers to what level of prudence a member of the Board of Directors will be held to with respect to decisions made or actions taken as a board member. Members of the Board of Directors are expected to exercise a standard of care that "may reasonably be expected from a person of his/her knowledge and experience." As such, someone with a background in a particular area may be held to a higher standard regarding decisions relating to that area than others. Nevertheless, each member of the Board of Directors is supposed to exercise diligence and prudence in accordance with their own expertise and experience.

Conflicts of Interest

Where a member of the Board of Directors is an employee or owner of a business with which The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association is doing or is contemplating doing business, the individual should declare a conflict of interest and abstain from all discussions and decisions relating to such matters. When there is discussion on particular teams where a member of the Board of Directors has a direct connection (coaching or family member involvement) the individual should recognize the potential for a conflict of interest and excuse himself from those discussions and any related votes.

Legal Liabilities of Directors

Members of the Board of Directors of The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association are jointly and severally liable for debts (i.e., amounts not paid). As such, they should ensure that The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association remains current in its payment of invoices and expenses.

Confidentiality

The members of the Board of Directors and Board Observers owe The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association a duty of confidentiality. Sensitive and confidential information should not be discussed outside of meetings unless specifically authorized by the Association.

Respect

It goes without saying that all Board Members and Observers should treat each other with courtesy and respect. Meetings should be occasions for individuals to speak their minds and ask their questions without fear of reprisal. While meetings are frequently conducted in an informal manner to facilitate discussion and achieve consensus, members should maintain an appropriate decorum. Only one person should speak at a time. Others should listen to what is being said. Members should avoid undue repetition of the same arguments. Ideally, a person should only speak once on a matter, although at the discretion of the chair a person may answer questions or speak a second time in rebuttal to arguments raised. Out of consideration to others, members should not speak longer than is necessary to make their point, although they should feel free to make a complete statement. Where informal discussion is being abused, any member has the right at any time to require the Chair to enforce the rules of order. Except where the Board has adopted specific provisions to the contrary, Robert's Rules of Order shall apply.

Conflict

From time to time, discussion may get heated as members disagree passionately about a subject. All members have a responsibility for ensuring that proceedings do not get out of hand. In particular, the Chair needs to maintain decorum, but all members can assist. Where two members have a strong disagreement on a matter and tempers flare, the two should not meet alone with each other in an attempt to resolve the matter. A minimum of three other, neutral persons must be in the room at all times with them, should a meeting be desired to resolve the issue. One member must never point a finger, get in the face of, or touch another member in any manner (without the express prior consent of the other member) at any time.

Removal of Officers/Directors/~~Executive~~ Members

The Eastern Ontario By-law deals with the removal of any Officer, Director or Member (whether the member is an individual or a Local Association or Direct Entry).

Appendix xiii - EOBA VOLUNTEER SCREENING POLICY

Participation Levels for Screening

The Eastern Ontario Baseball Association (EOBA) recognizes three levels into which the various elected Board members, coaching staff and volunteers fit.

Level 1 (Low Risk) is that of individuals over 18 who have little or no direct contact with players, funds, or the affairs of the association. Into this category are those that: volunteer at events such as banquets, large public gatherings of players, tournament volunteers and umpires who are doing games.

Level 2 (Medium Risk) is that of individuals over 18 who have Supervisory roles or roles within the organization itself including finances, or who have direct contact with players but who are not in a situation where they are alone or travelling with players to out-of-town games. Into this category are those that: are members of the Board of Directors of the EOBA who are not associated with EOBA travel teams.

Level 3 (High Risk) is that of individuals over 18 who have direct contact with players and are in a position that they may be travelling to out-of-town games with those players and could be alone with those players. Into this category are those that: are coaches, assistant coaches, business managers or trainers with any EOBA formed team such as EOBA Fall travel teams, CNE teams, Canon Cup teams, Summer Games teams or EOBA All Star teams. Also, in this category are UICs or Umpire supervisors who could be alone with younger umpires away from the baseball diamond.

Screening Requirement and Renewal

EOBA members and volunteers who have submitted these documents to their local associations or Baseball Ontario only need to show proof of such to the EOBA Secretary or identify who is the record holder so the documents can be verified. The EOBA will keep a list of individuals and if they are currently vetted with their local VSC screening policy then no other actions are required.

For those who have not submitted documents to other local associations or Baseball Ontario the following is to be followed.

Level 1(Low Risk), the EOBA will not require a Police Check. Their role within the organization is limited and often of a one-time only nature for many of the volunteers. i.e., helping with tournaments

Individuals in Level 1 will be required to complete a Screening Disclosure Form (attached) when they first start with the EOBA.

Once recognized by the EOBA and having filed a Screening Disclosure Form, no further renewal process is required.

Level 2 (Medium Risk), the EOBA will require a police check (Criminal Records and Judicial Matters Check) when the individual first starts their role(s) with the association. Following that the individual will be required to provide an affidavit annually indicating that no change has occurred in their status regarding convictions and charges since the last police check was provided.

Individuals in Level 2 will be required to complete a Screening Disclosure Form (attached), obtain, and deliver a police check (Criminal Records and Judicial Matters Check) and complete the online Safe Sport Module when they first start with the EOBA.

Once recognized by the EOBA as having completed the initial screening requirements, the individual will file a Screening Renewal Form with the EOBA Secretary for each of the two subsequent seasons after which they will obtain a deliver a new police check (Criminal Records and Judicial Matters Check).

Level 3 (High Risk), the EOBA will require a Vulnerable Sector Check when the individual first starts their role(s) with the association. Following that the individual will be required to provide an affidavit in each of the next two years indicating that no change has occurred in their status regarding convictions and charges since the last police check was provided. For the third year following their last police check they will be required to provide a new Criminal Record and Judicial Matters Check (CRJMC).

Individuals in Level 3 will be required to complete a Screening Disclosure Form (attached), obtain, and deliver a police check (Vulnerable Sector Check) and complete the online Safe Sport Module when they first start with the EOBA.

Once recognized by the EOBA as having completed the initial screening requirements, the individual will file a Screening Renewal Form with the EOBA Secretary for each of the two subsequent seasons after which they will obtain a deliver a new police check (Criminal Records and Judicial Matters Check). Having previously obtained a Vulnerable Sector Check this is no longer required.

Document dates

The 'as of' date of any Police Check must be between the current date and September 1st, three years prior to the season. The Secretary will provide a signed letter on EOBA letterhead to all those who are proceeding to request a Police Check indicating the individual is a volunteer. The letter from the Secretary will speed up the process and allow the applicant to pay the lower 'volunteer' fee.

Document Retention

All Police Checks (VSC's, CRJMC's) and Renewal Forms are to be deposited with the Secretary of the EOBA who will maintain a database of which individuals have valid documents. The members of the Board of Directors of the EOBA will deliver their documents directly to the Secretary. Local Reps, Coaches and Business Managers of EOBA formed teams will submit their documents when they apply for the positions or have current documents filed with their local associations.

In all cases, if the individual wishes to do so, the documents can be submitted in a sealed envelope that is only to be opened by the EOBA Secretary. The Secretary will then record the documents in the database and review the contents of the documents for any charges or vulnerable sector issues. Police Checks will be logged and verified by two members of the Risk management Office. Once verified the Police Checks will be returned to the applicant or shredded. Renewal Forms will not be returned to the applicant. The EOBA will maintain a record for a period of at least two years beyond when the individual left their role with the Association. The original documents will then be shredded.

After having filed a document with the EOBA, should charges be laid against the individual, they are required to bring this to the attention of the Secretary of the EOBA immediately. Submitting a document that the individual knows to be incorrect, or incomplete is grounds for suspension.

The following information appearing on a VSC or CRJMC will result in the individual not being eligible for a volunteer position with the EOBA and the Secretary will notify the Risk Management Office (consisting of the Officers of the EOBA) of that fact.

1. Any indication that the Vulnerable Sector Pardon File Search has produced a result other than negative.

2. If imposed any time for an individual's conviction of:
 - Physical or psychological violence
 - Any sexual offense
 - Child abuse, voyeurism, making or distribution of child pornography

3. If Imposed in the last 10 years:
 - Any crime of violence involving all forms of assault

4. If imposed in the last 3 years:
 - Any criminal offense involving the use of a motor vehicle, including impaired driving
 - Trafficking of illegal drugs

Excluding the incidents above any other charges or incidents revealed on a Police Check will cause the Secretary to pass on the information to the EOBA Risk Management Office (consisting of the Officers of the EOBA) for review and a decision made as to whether the individual should continue in the role to which they have been appointed. If the decision is that the individual cannot continue, the individual will be notified directly. There is no appeal of this decision.



EOBA SCREENING DISCLOSURE FORM AND PRIVACY STATEMENT

NAME: _____
 First Middle Last

OTHER NAMES YOU HAVE USED: _____

CURRENT PERMANENT ADDRESS:

Street	City	Province	Postal
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DATE OF BIRTH: _____ GENDER _____
 Month/Day/Year

EMAIL: _____

Note: Failure to disclose a conviction/sanction for which a pardon has not been granted may be considered an intentional omission and subject to failure of screening requirements as required by the EOBA's Screening Policy.

1. Have you ever been convicted of a crime for which a pardon has not been granted?

Yes ____ No ____ If yes, please describe below for each conviction:

Name or Type of Offense: _____

Name and Jurisdiction of Court/Tribunal: _____

Year Convicted: _____

Penalty or Punishment Imposed: _____

Further Explanation: _____

2. Are criminal charges or any other sanctions, including those from a sport body, private tribunal, or government agency, currently pending or threatened against you?

Yes ____ No ____

If yes, please explain for each pending charge:

Name or Type of Offense: _____

Name and Jurisdiction of Court/Tribunal: _____

Further Explanation: _____

3. Has any civil court made a finding, judgment or ruling against you, or have you entered an out of court settlement relevant to the profession of coaching, the sport of baseball or any other sport?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please describe each finding, judgment or ruling below:

Civil Court Finding: _____

Out of Court Settlement: _____

Type Finding: _____

Year of Offense or Settlement: _____

Penalty or Punishment Imposed: _____

Further Explanation: _____

4. Have you ever been the subject of a decision of a court or tribunal that might reflect adversely on the profession of coaching, the sport of baseball, or any other sport?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please describe below:

Type of Offense: _____

Year of Decision: _____

Penalty or Punishment Imposed: _____

Further Explanation: _____

5. Have you ever been dismissed from a position due to allegations of ethical or moral misconduct?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please describe below:

Name of applicable Organization: _____

Date of Dismissal: _____

Reason for Dismissal: _____

6. Have you ever been disciplined or sanctioned by an international sport tribunal, by a National Sport governing body outside Canada, by a National Sport Organization within Canada, or by any other any other sport organization/Organization/Organization?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please describe below:

Name of applicable Organization: _____

Date of Discipline or Sanction: _____

Reason for Discipline or Sanction: _____

For more than one conviction please attach additional page(s) as necessary.

Certification

I hereby certify that the information contained in this application is accurate, correct, truthful and complete. I further certify that I will immediately inform the Organization of any changes in circumstances that would alter my original responses to this Screening Disclosure Form. Failure to do so may result in termination of membership and/or further discipline.

Signature:

Date:

PRIVACY STATEMENT

By completing and submitting this Screening Disclosure Form, you consent and authorize the Organization to collect, use and disclose your personal information, including all information provided on the Screening Disclosure Form, Police Record Check and/or Vulnerable Sector Check for the purposes of screening, implementation of the Organization's Screening Policy, administering membership services and communicating with other National Sport Organizations, Provincial Sport Organizations, Sport Organizations, and other organizations involved in the governance of the sport of baseball. The Organization does not distribute personal information for commercial purposes.



SCREENING RENEWAL FORM

Print Name:

Date of Birth

Current
Address

Position:

Team:

I, _____, hereby declare that:

(Print)

I have no new convictions or outstanding charges for offences under the Criminal Code of Canada since the date of my last Police Check or Disclosure Form on file with the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association.

OR

I have the following new convictions or outstanding charges for offences under the Criminal Code of Canada since the date of my last Police Check or Disclosure Form on file with the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association.

Signature: _____

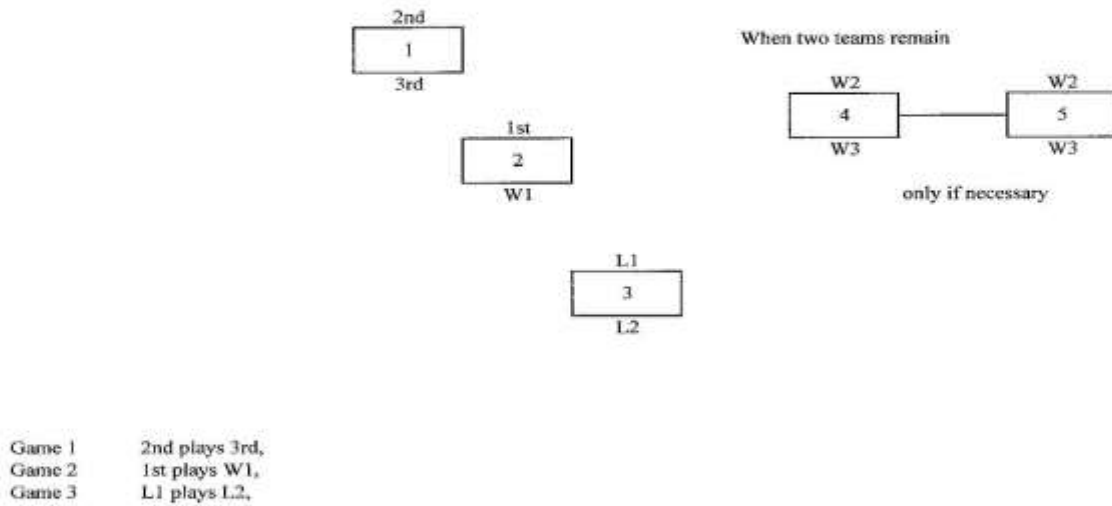
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Appendix xiv - EOBA PLAYOFF FORMATS

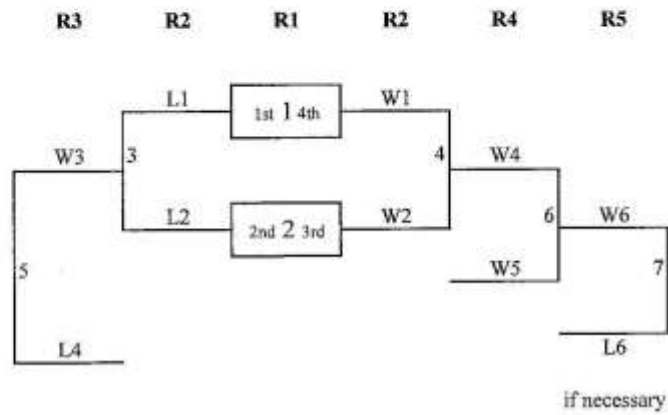
The following pages show the playoff formats to be used in the EOBA.

SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR A 3 TEAM TOURNAMENT



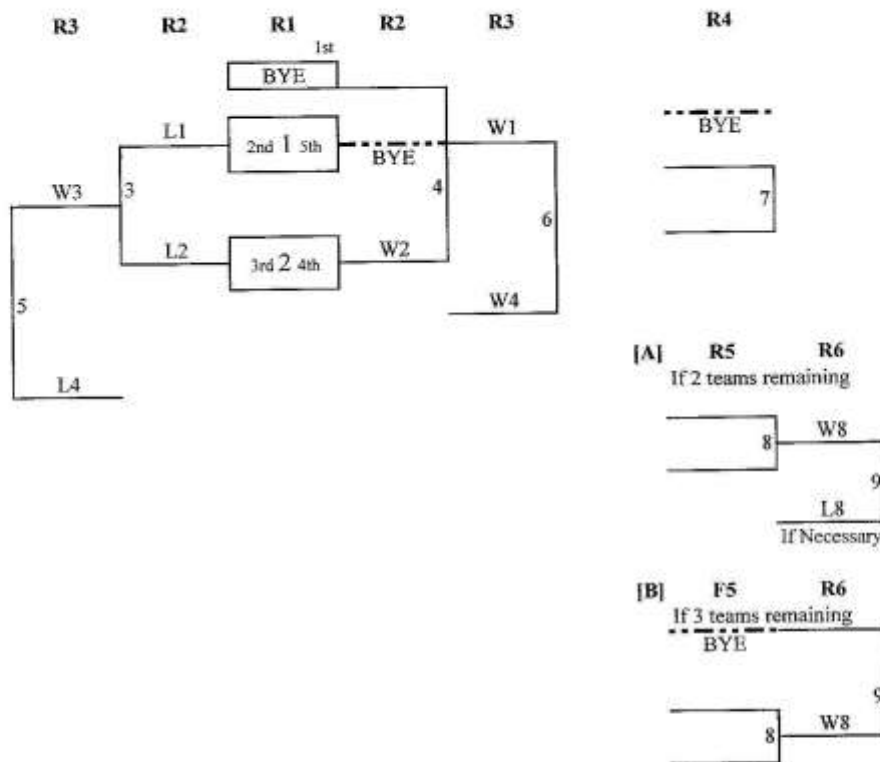
Note: OBA bye rules do not apply to this 3 team format.

SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR A 4 TEAM TOURNAMENT



- Round 1: Based on standings
- Round 2: L1 plays L2. W1 plays W2.
- Round 3: W3 plays L4. W4 has a bye.

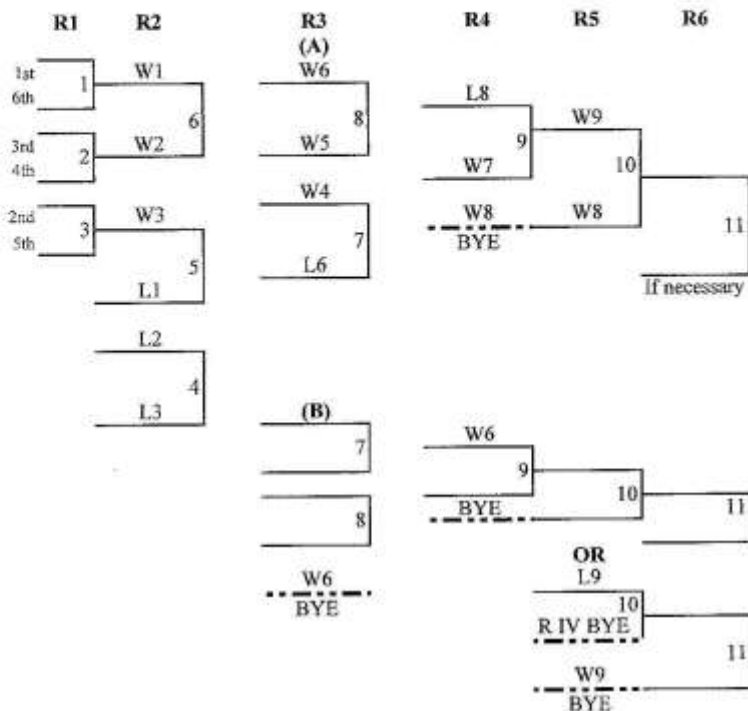
SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR A 5 TEAM TOURNAMENT



- Round 1: Based on standings
- Round 2: L1 plays L2. Bye team plays W2. W1 receives a bye.
- Round 3: W3 plays L4. W1 plays W4.
- Round 4: At this point, L3 and L5 have been eliminated. Only 3 teams remain, 1 is undefeated. If the undefeated team is (3-0), it automatically receives the bye. If the undefeated team is (2-0), the bye goes to the team that has not yet had a bye. If more than 1 team is eligible for the bye, then draw for the bye.
- Round 5: If the undefeated team won or received the bye in Round 4, only 2 teams remain (1 undefeated). Use Bracket A. However, if the undefeated team loses in Round 4, 3 teams remain, all with 1 loss. Draw for the bye. Use Bracket B.
- Round 6: If necessary, there will be a sudden death championship game.

****Note: Please refer to Section P5 of the Baseball Ontario Constitution regarding rules for Byes.**

SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR A 6 TEAM TOURNAMENT



Round 1: Based on standings
 Round 2: L2 plays L3. W3 plays L1. W1 plays W2.
 Round 3: After Round 2, if W5 is undefeated, only 4 teams will remain. Use Bracket A. However, if W3 loses G5, there will be 5 teams remaining. Use Bracket B.

Bracket A Schedule:

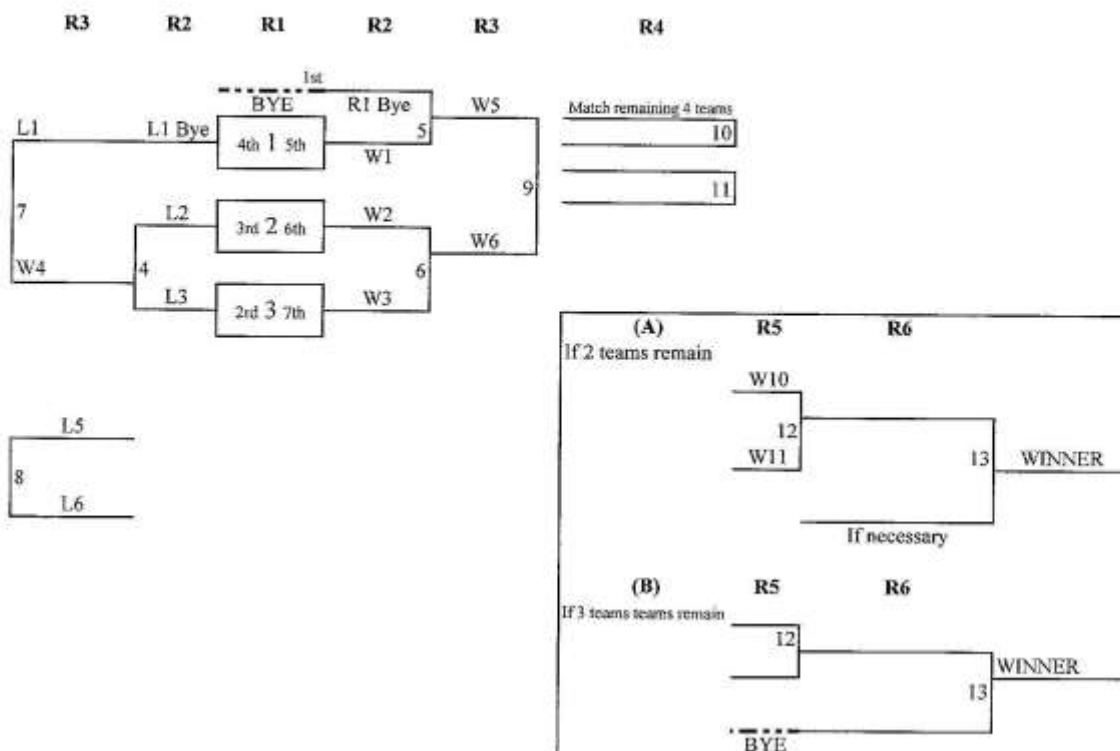
Round 3: L4 and L5 have been eliminated. W4 plays L6. W5 plays W6. L7 has been eliminated. Only 3 teams remain, 1 is undefeated with a (3-0) record. The undefeated team automatically receives the bye. L8 plays W7.
 Round 4: W9 plays W8.
 Round 5: If necessary, there will be a sudden death championship game.

Bracket B Schedule:

Round 3: L4 has been eliminated. 5 teams remain, 1 is undefeated. The undefeated team (W6) receives the bye. Match the 4 remaining teams, avoiding previous match-ups if possible. Where avoiding previous match-ups is not possible, a draw shall be held to determine pairings.
 Round 4: L7 and L8 have been eliminated. 3 teams remain, 1 is undefeated. W7 and W8 draw for the bye. The draw loser plays W6.
 Round 5: 2 or 3 teams remain. If 2 teams remain, W9 plays the bye team. If 3 teams remain, W9 receives the bye and L9 plays the Round 4 bye team.
 Round 6: If necessary, there will be a sudden death championship game.

****Note: Please refer to Section P5 of the Baseball Ontario Constitution regarding rules for Byes.**

SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR A 7 TEAM TOURNAMENT



- Round 1: Based on standings
- Round 2: L1 receives Round 2 Bye. L2 plays L3. R1 Bye plays W1, W2 plays W3.
- Round 3: L4 has been eliminated. W4 plays L1, L5 plays L6, W5 plays W6.
- Round 4: L7 and L8 have been eliminated. 4 teams remain. 1 is undefeated. Match the 4 remaining teams avoiding previous matchups if possible. Where avoiding previous matchups is not possible, draw for pairings. After Round 4, 2 or 3 teams remain. If 2 teams remain use Bracket A. If 3 teams remain use Bracket B. 2 or 3 teams remain. If 2 teams remain, use Bracket A. If 3 teams remain, use Bracket B.

Bracket A Schedule:

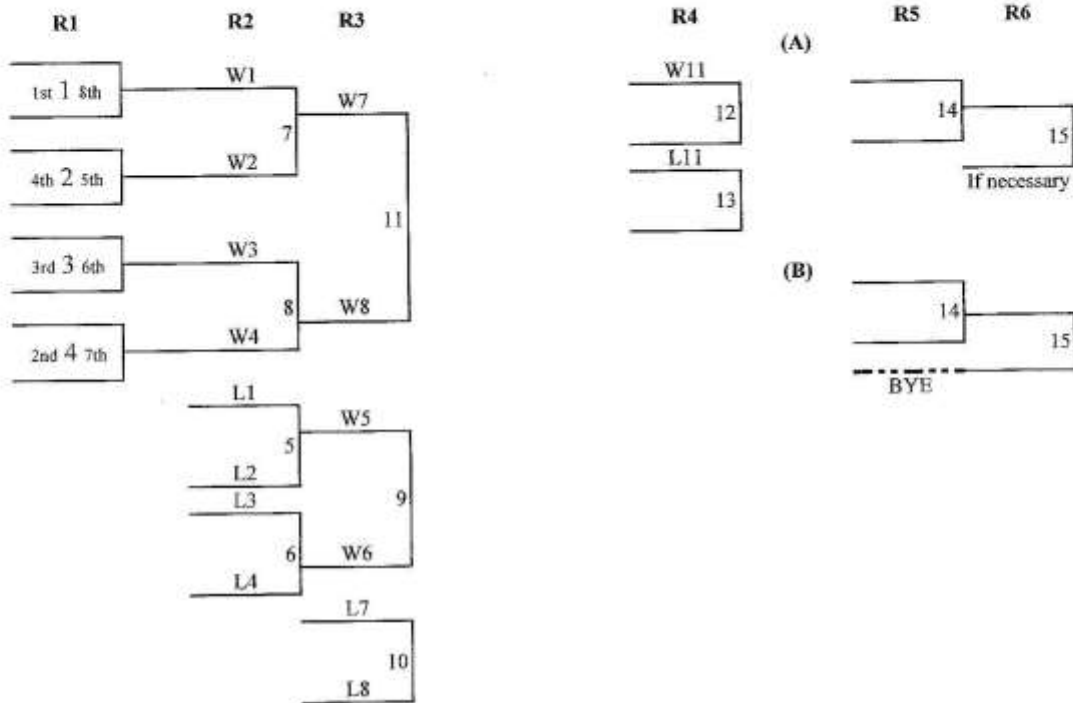
- Round 5: W10 plays W11.
- Round 6: If necessary, there will be a sudden death championship game.

Bracket B Schedule:

- Round 5: Draw for the bye of more than one team is eligible. The 2 remaining teams play each other.
- Round 6: This will be a sudden death championship game.

****Note:** Please refer to Section P5 of the Baseball Ontario Constitution regarding rules for Byes.

SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR AN 8 TEAM TOURNAMENT



- Round 1: Based on standings
- Round 2: L1 plays L2. L3 plays L4. W1 plays W2. W3 plays W4.
- Round 3: L5 and L6 have been eliminated. W5 plays W6. L7 plays L8. W7 plays W8.
- Round 4: L9 and L10 have been eliminated. At this point, 4 teams remain, 1 is undefeated. Match the 4 remaining teams, avoiding previous match-ups if possible. Where avoiding previous match-ups is not possible, a draw shall be held to determine pairings.

After Round 4, 2 or 3 teams remain. If 2 teams remain, use Bracket A. If 3 teams remain, use

Note: Bracket B

Bracket A Schedule:

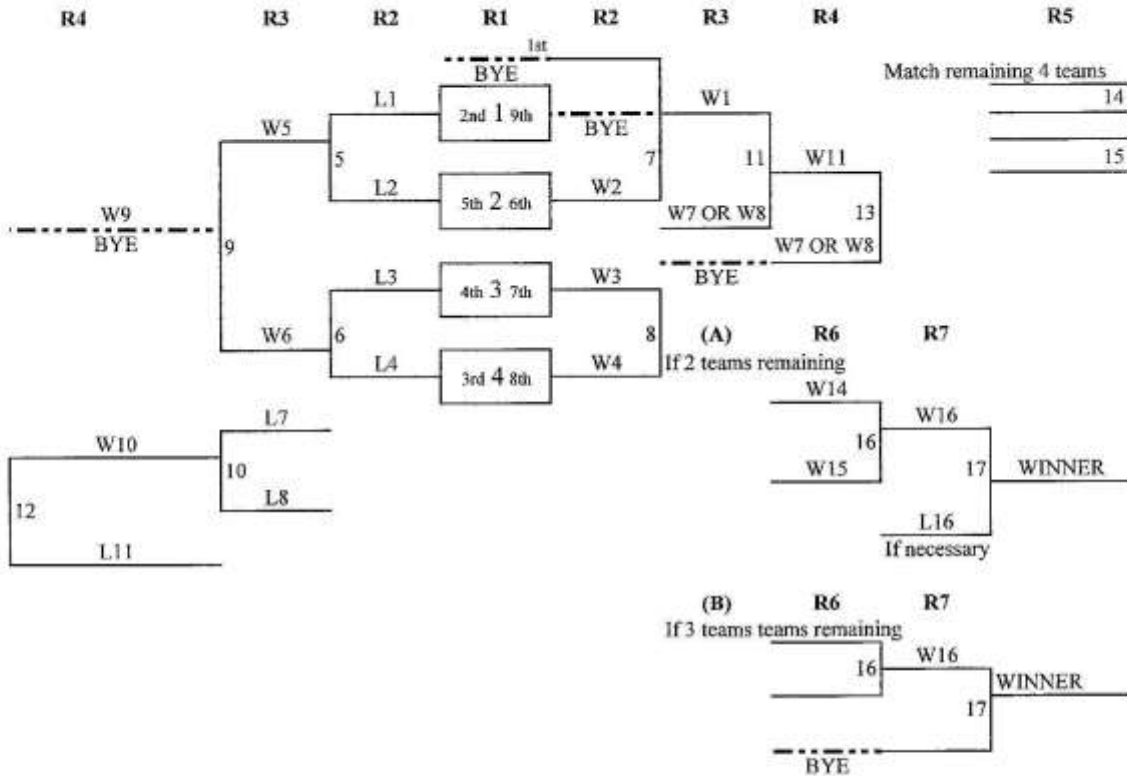
- Round 5: W12 plays W13.
- Round 6: If necessary, there will be a sudden death championship game.

Bracket B Schedule:

- Round 5: Draw for the bye among all teams. The 2 remaining teams will play each other.
- Round 6: This will be a sudden death championship game.

****Note: Please refer to Section P5 of the Baseball Ontario Constitution regarding rules for Byes.**

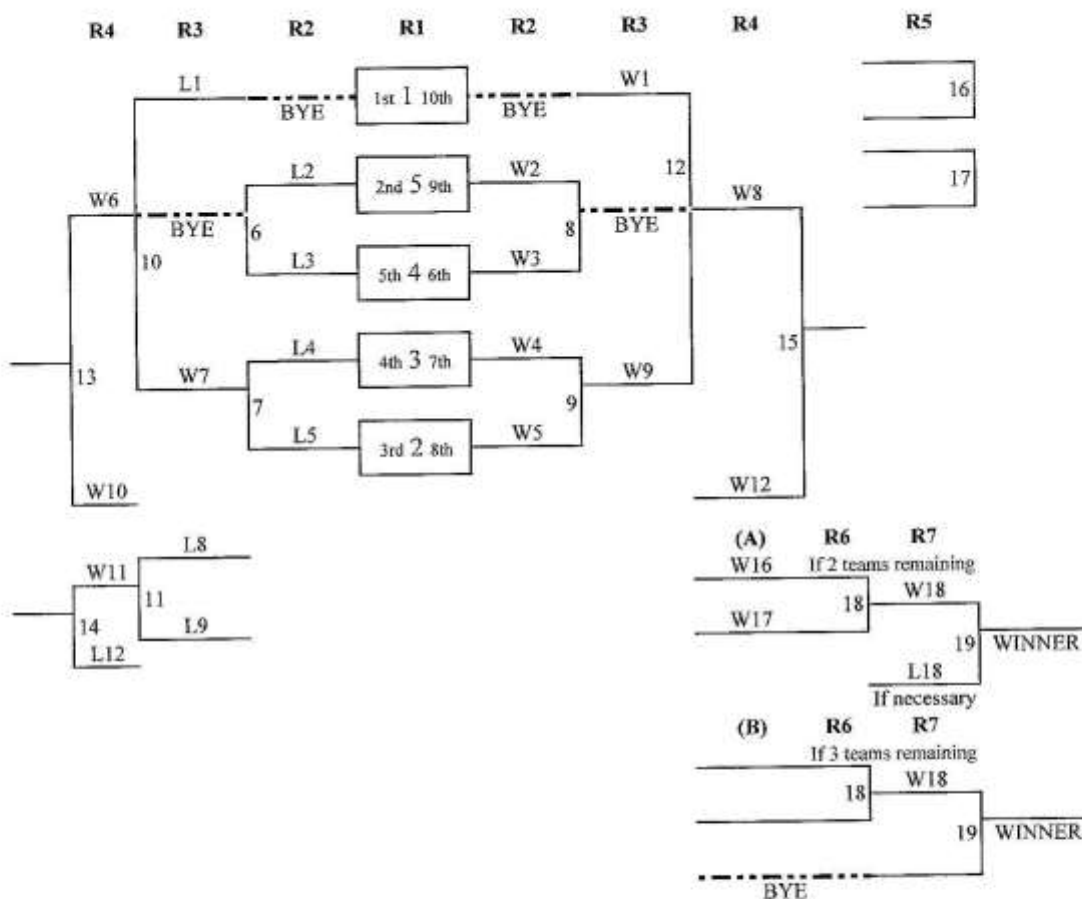
SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR A 9 TEAM TOURNAMENT



- Round 1: Based on standings
- Round 2: L1 plays L2. L3 plays L4. W1 receives Round 2 bye. Round 1 bye team plays W2. W3 plays W4.
- Round 3: L5 and L6 have been eliminated. W5 plays W6. L7 plays L8.
- Note: If W2 is W7, they receive the bye in Round 3 and W1 plays W8. However, if W2 loses G7, W8
- Round 4: L9 and L10 have been eliminated. W9 receives the bye. W10 plays L11. W11 plays the Round 3 bye team.
- Round 5: L12 has been eliminated. At this point, 4 teams remain, 1 is undefeated. Match the 4 remaining teams, avoiding previous match-ups if possible. Where avoiding previous match-ups is not possible, a draw shall be held to determine pairings.
- Round 6: 2 or 3 teams remain. If 2 teams remain, use Bracket A. If 3 teams remain, use Bracket B.
- Bracket A Schedule:**
- Round 6: W14 plays W15.
- Round 7: If necessary. W16 plays L16.
- Bracket B Schedule:**
- Round 6: Draw for the bye if necessary.
- Round 7: L16 has been eliminated. W16 plays bye team. Sudden death game.

****Note: Please refer to Section P5 of the Baseball Ontario Constitution regarding rules for Byes.**

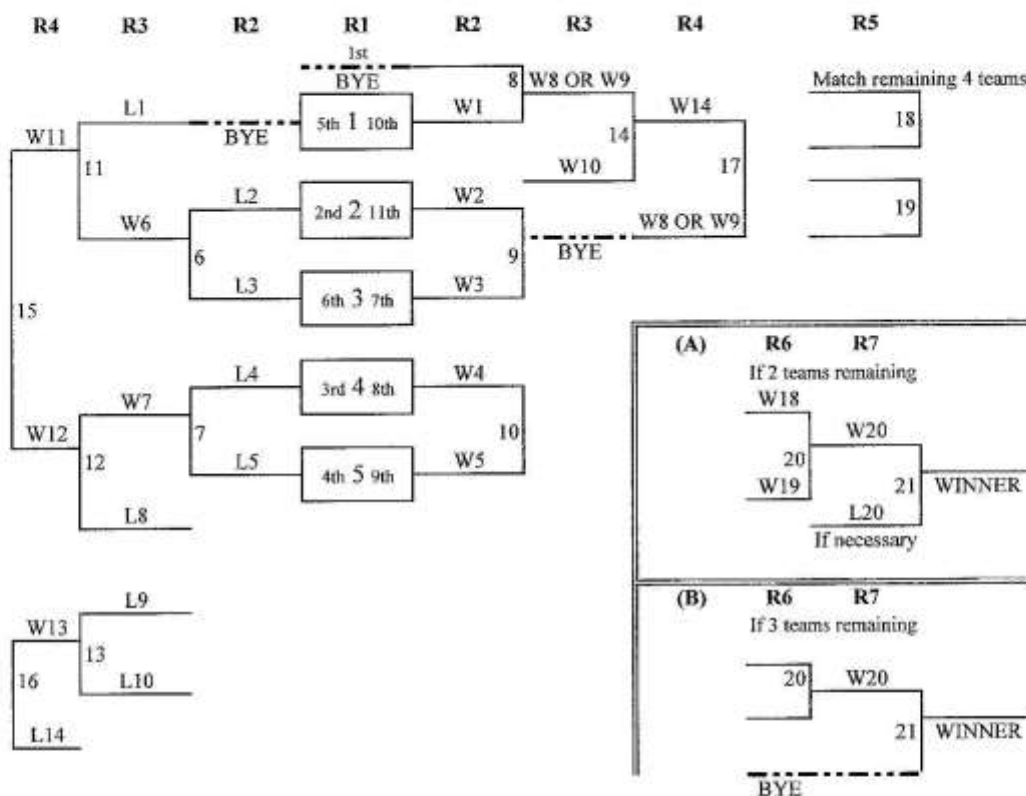
SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR A 10 TEAM TOURNAMENT



- Round 1: Based on standings
- Round 2: W1 receives the bye. W2 plays W3. W4 plays W5. L1 receives the bye. L2 plays L3. L4 plays L5.
- Round 3: L6 and L7 have been eliminated. W6 receives the bye. L1 plays W7. L8 plays L9. W8 receives the bye. W1 plays W9.
- Round 4: L10 and L11 have been eliminated. W6 plays W10. W11 plays L12. W8 plays W12.
- Round 5: L13 and L14 have been eliminated. 4 teams remain, 1 undefeated. Match teams, avoiding previous match-ups where possible. Where avoiding previous match-ups is not possible, a draw shall be held to determine pairings.
- Round 6: 2 or 3 teams remain. If 2 teams remain, 1 will be undefeated. Use Bracket A. If 3 teams remain, draw for the bye if necessary. Use Bracket B.
- Round 7: If necessary, there will be a sudden death championship game.

****Note: Please refer to Section P5 of the Baseball Ontario Constitution regarding rules for Byes.**

SCHEDULE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR AN 11 TEAM TOURNAMENT



- Round 1: Based on standings
- Round 2: L1 receives the bye. L2 plays L3. L4 plays L5. Round 1 bye team plays W1. W2 plays W3. W4 plays W5.
- Round 3: L6 and L7 have been eliminated. L1 plays W6. W7 plays L8. L9 plays L10.
Note: If W8 is (2-0), they receive the bye. W9 plays the winner of G10. If W8 has had a bye, W8 plays W10 and L11, L12 and L13 have been eliminated. W11 plays W12. W13 plays L14. W14 plays the Round 3 bye team.
- Round 4: L11, L12 and L13 have been eliminated. W11 plays W12. W13 plays L14. W14 plays the Round 3 bye team.
- Round 5: L15 and L16 have been eliminated. Only 4 teams remain, 1 undefeated. Match teams, avoiding previous match-ups where possible. Where avoiding previous match-ups is not possible, a draw shall be held to determine pairings.
- Round 6: 2 or 3 teams remain. If 2 teams remain, use Bracket A. If 3 teams remain, draw for the bye if necessary. Use Bracket B.
- Round 7: If necessary, there will be a sudden death championship game.

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