

Age Advancement Policy

West Winnipeg Minor Baseball Association

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A primary goal of West Winnipeg Minor Baseball (WWMBA) is to provide all of their young athletes with a safe, challenging and fun environment in which to play baseball. The current structure of the Baseball Manitoba age divisions and competitive leagues meets the needs of most players, but WWMBA also recognizes that some players are ready to, and will benefit from, age-advancing to the next-older age division.

How to Request Age Advancement

- Age-advancement requests from Rally Caps to Grand Slam do not require WWMBA approval. Parents can age advance their child during registration.
- All other age-advancement requests require approval from WWMBA, and must be submitted by email to the WWMBA Board to: registrar@westwinnipegbaseball.ca for consideration. Approved age-advancement requests apply only for that specific season. WWMBA decisions are final.
- Requests for permission to try out for an older age in AA/AAA must be submitted at least 1 week prior to tryout registration closing.

Age Advancement Eligibility Guidelines for Rally Caps, Grand Slam, A-Ball (11U-18U)

- To be eligible to age-advance, a player must have advanced baseball skills and advanced social maturity for their age.

Age-Advancement Eligibility Guidelines for AA/AAA (11U–18U)

- To be eligible to age-advance in AA/AAA, a player may request to be evaluated with the older age group.
- WWMBA will consider rostering an age-advanced player only if the player's evaluation score ranks them among the top five evaluated players for that team.
- Players requesting to age-advance must have advanced social maturity for their age.

Age-Advancement Requests Initiated by WWMBA

- Occasionally, WWMBA may invite players to age advance to meet roster needs. This may be to ensure a team has enough players or, although rarely, to address a shortage in an older age group for a specific position (e.g., catcher).
- Families always have the right to decline.