

Local Responsibilities

To support the Level 1 and 2 registration process, locals will:

- Submit a hosting application beginning in mid-February
- Plan for one or more combined Level 1 and 2 events with a minimum of 15 and maximum of 40 participants
- Book an <u>indoor field training facility</u> or <u>large, high school sized gymnasium</u>. A classroom or meeting room is not required and will not be used if booked. Booking an outdoor field only is not sufficient.
- Notify and encourage your new and existing umpires to register via the Baseball Ontario online system
- Accept umpires into the Camp (up to the 40-person maximum) via the Baseball Ontario online system
- Submit a second hosting application if participant numbers exceed 40 (combined Level 1 and 2)
- Combine with a nearby local if participant numbers are less than 15 (combined Level 1 and 2)

Implementation Possibilities

As local associations plan to host Developing Umpire Camps, consideration can be given to the following possibilities that the previous clinic system did not allow:

- Two separate Camps can be offered on the same day by booking a facility for 9 hours
- Camps can potentially be offered on weekday evenings
- Where less than the minimum 15 participants are available, two nearby locals can make a joint hosting application
- Umpires can be given flexibility to attend a Camp on their preferred date, regardless of their level

Equipment Required by Umpires

Hosts should communicate with participants in advance of the Umpire Camp, ensuring they bring:

- Non-marking indoor shoes and clothing suitable for gym use
- Optional: Umpire equipment including hat, mask, indicator, and brush. Other protective equipment is not required.

Registration and Payment Process

Clinicians will not accept payment directly from individual umpires. The host is responsible for submitting payment directly to Baseball Ontario based on the number of participants according to the following formula, which is unchanged from past years:

- \$25.00/Level 1 Participant
- \$45.00/Level 2 Participant

Other General Information for Hosts

The host should advise the OBA office of any changes in the number of attendees from the original estimate to ensure that the Camp meets the minimum/maximum number of participants. In cases where the minimum number of participants (15) are not registered by one week prior, the Camp will be rescheduled and participants will be contacted by Baseball Ontario and supported in selecting an alternate location. One of the assigned Baseball Ontario Clinicians will contact the host approximately a week prior to the camp to confirm the final numbers and location details.

Baseball Ontario will enroll all Camp participants in our Insurance Program as part of the annual registration fee.