

**REP DIVISION
APPROVED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS**

RC 1

In R1.03 b, and throughout the Rep Constitution and Playing Rules, change all references to Rep Vice-Commissioner to Rep Deputy Commissioner.

RC 2

Effective for the 2025 baseball season:

Create a New AAAA

R4.01 CLASSIFICATION

a. The OBA shall offer for annual competition the following Rep Play-Offs:

Category	30,001+ Households	30,000 and Fewer Households
8U	AAA, AA, A	B
9U	AAA, AA, A	B, C, D
10U	AAA, AA, A	B
11U	AAA, AA, A	B, C, D
12U	AAA, AA, A	B
13U	AAA, AA, A	B, C, D
14U	AAAA, AAA, AA, A	B
15U	AAAA, AAA, AA, A	B, C, D
16U Girls	AAA	
16U	AAAA, AAA, AA, A	
18U	AAAA, AAA, AA, A	B, C
Category	All Households	
22U	AAA, AA, A, B	
Women	AAA	
Senior	AAA, AA, A, B, C	

Add a new R4.01 w), relettering the remainder:

w. The AAAA Provincial Championship for all levels where it is offered shall be the Elimination Tournament. At 22U and Senior, the winner of the Elimination Tournament shall be declared AAA Provincial Champions.

ICBA 2

Make the following changes to R4.02 a.

- a. Each Affiliated Association in order to participate in the Rep Playoffs must be prepared to enter the Rep Play-offs on the dates as set by the Rep Council (for all series) but in no case shall that date be later than the fourth Saturday in August.

Note: Labour Day weekend (except in **Senior**, 22U, 18U, **9U**, **8U** and Girl's Baseball) is the recommended dates for Tournament style Rep Playoffs.

and add a new 4.02 g., relettering the remainder:

- g. All 8U and 9U Rep Play-offs will be scheduled on a weekend prior to the Labour Day weekend, as determined by Rep Council.

Note: 2024 Provincial tournaments already awarded will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

SCBA 1

Change R4.02 g. to read as follows:

- g. Except at Senior AAA which will be the Senior Elimination Tournament, all Senior Rep Play-offs will be scheduled **on a weekend other than Labour Day weekend, as determined by Rep Council.**

Note: 2024 Provincial tournaments already awarded will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

RC 3

Effective for the 2025 baseball season, create a new RP1.12 and RP1.13, renumbering the remainder as follows:

RP1.12 – HIGH-PERFORMANCE PROGRAMS

The OBA shall sanction High Performance (AAAA) programming at **14U** and 18U as follows:

- i. Type A: OBA Local High-Performance Programs
 - 1. Participate as part of a Local Association and has all the rights, privileges, and obligations of such.
 - 2. May run Rep programming at all levels.
 - 3. May run Select programming at all levels.
 - 4. May run House League programming at all levels.
 - 5. May run umpire and coach clinics.

6. **May** participate in the OBA Rep Elimination tournament for their age category.
7. May participate in Rep AAA or AAAA sanctioned tournaments.
8. May participate in any summer baseball league they so choose.
9. Players are eligible for the Ontario Youth Team and National teams.
- ii. Type B: OBA Affiliate High Performance Programs
 1. Participate as part of an Affiliated Association run program.
 2. May only run Rep programming at any level.
 3. May not run Select or House League programming.
 4. May run umpire and coaching clinics.
 5. **May** participate in the OBA Rep Elimination tournament for their age category.
 6. May participate in Rep AAA or AAAA sanctioned tournaments.
 7. May participate in any summer baseball league they so choose.
 8. Players are eligible for the Ontario Youth Team and National teams.
- iii. Type C: OBA High-Performance Partners
 1. Does not participate as a part of a Local Association or Affiliated Association.
 2. Operate at 14U and above only.
 3. Meets requirements for High-Performance Partnership (see RXXX).
 4. May participate in Eliminations so long as they adhere to the OBA Arm Care rules throughout the season and comply with the OBA Coach Certification.
 5. May participate in Rep AAA sanctioned tournaments but must adhere to OBA Arm Care rules for the duration of the tournament.
 6. May participate in any summer baseball league they so choose.
- b) The recruiting period for OBA High-Performance programs shall begin no earlier than June 30th and end no later than October 31st annually.
- c) OBA High-Performance programs may not begin try-outs prior to the Tuesday following Civic Holiday weekend.
- d) OBA High-Performance programs must declare their final cuts no later than October 31st annually so that players may have an opportunity to try out for their Local Association within which they reside.

RP1.13 – HIGH-PERFORMANCE PARTNERS

The OBA Rep Council shall automatically approve annually the application for any High-Performance program which operates primarily in the Province of Ontario so long as that program is considered in good standing with the OBA.

- a) In order to be in good standing with the OBA, a High-Performance Partner must:
 - i. Operate independently of any youth baseball programming which is not recognized by the OBA.

- ii. Operate independently of any youth baseball program which offers summer programming for athletes 13U age and younger.
 - iii. Applies annually to be a High-Performance Partner.
 - iv. Purchases the OBA Insurance policy or provides evidence of satisfactory insurance to operate in Ontario.
 - v. Submits a roster of players to the OBA Office by the Rep Roster deadline.
 - vi. Annually, pays Rep Provincial Registration Fee per team as determined by the OBA Board of Management and Rep Council.
 - vii. At the start of their partnership, pays a one-time Partnership fee to the OBA as determined by the OBA Board of Directors.
- b) OBA High Performance Partners may participate in the OBA Elimination Tournament so long as they adhere to the OBA Arm Care rules throughout the season and comply with the OBA Coach Certification.
 - c) OBA High Performance Partners may participate in any OBA Rep AAA sanctioned tournament but must comply with Arm Care rules for the duration of the tournament.
 - d) Players registered with a High-Performance Partner may not participate on a OBA Rep or Select team at the age category that they currently participate in but may be called up to play on an older team from the Local Association in which they reside.
 - e) Players registered with a High-Performance Partner are eligible for the Ontario Youth Team and Team Canada should they be selected for one of these teams.

RC 4

Effective for the 2025 Season,

Delete Section R3.02 – PBLO Residency Franchise

Delete Section RP1.13 – PBLO

RC 5

Effective for the 2025 Season add to RP1.3 new (i) and (j)

- (i) Players may try out for any AAAA program operating within the Province of Ontario regardless of their residency without a release. Should the player be successful in making the team, no release is required.
- (j) Non-High-Performance (NHP) Playing rights for non-AAAA programs are retained by the Local Association within which the player resides or the OBA Rep team with which the player was last rostered. For greater clarity, if a player from Brampton tries out for the Markham AAAA program and does not successfully make the team, that player must play in Brampton or obtain a release.

RC 6

Add a new RP1.5 g, relettering the remainder:

- g. Release requests must be responded to and adjudicated by the Local Association or Affiliated Association, as the case may be, within 14 days of receipt. The Local Association or Affiliated Association may extend this due date by an additional 14 days should more information be required and must do so in writing to the person requesting the release. Should the request not be responded to within these parameters, the release will be automatically **denied**.

RC 7

Add a new RP1.8(c), re-letter the remainder

- c. For the 15U and 18U Eliminations only, OBA teams may call players across from other teams within their Local Association at the same age category, so long as that team is not also playing in the Elimination tournament (e.g., an 18U team may call a player to their Elimination team from their 17U team (i.e. an 18U team of all 17U aged players), or their 18U A team). For greater clarity, a player may only play for one team in any one Elimination tournament.

YSBA 1

Delete RP1.8 c. and replace with the following:

- c. Where a Local Association has more than one team at a series, players that are on the lower classified team may be “called up” to the higher classified team. Where a Local Association has both a Select Division team(s) and a Rep team(s) at a series, players from the Select Division team(s) may be called up to the Rep team(s), provided the players comply with the residency rules and are the proper age.

COBA 3

In P1.9 c. and d., make the following changes:

- c. For rep teams at 18U and below, rosters may be edited by Local Associations until **May 31st**.
- d. For rep teams at 18U and below, No changes to players on a roster may be made after **May 31st** without the consent of the OBA Rep Registrar.

Note: These clauses will be added, and the remainder re-lettered accordingly.

YSBA 2

Add the following to RP1.9 h.,

- h. No player may participate in a Rep tournament or Rep Play-off without their name on a team roster. If a player, who is not officially on the team roster or on the roster of a team from which the team may call up players, participates in a game, once it is discovered the Field Manager/Head Coach will receive a 10 game suspension. The suspension is not appealable.

RC 8

COBA 4

YSBA 3

Delete RP1.12 b – Eligibility