



WHITBY REP PROGRAM

Tryout Policy

As amended at the August 3, 2022 WMBA Board Meeting

It is the position of the WMBA Rep Program that all rep teams have the opportunity to roster the best players for all teams. To that end, and in an effort to maintain and strengthen the competitiveness of the rep program and teams, the following policies and procedures are in effect.

Tryout Policy Process and Notes

1. In order to be eligible for a T2 team, a player must try out for the T1 team and be in adherence to the policies and procedures outlined.
2. In order to be eligible for a T3 team, a player must try out for the T2 team and be in adherence to the policies and procedures outlined.
3. Prior to tryouts for any non-EBLO team, non-resident players must provide a current release from the baseball association where they reside, or they will be excluded from WMBA tryouts until a valid release is presented. Any exceptions must be reviewed and approved by the Rep committee.
4. Any player who is a resident of Whitby at the time tryouts are held but does not attend tryouts, is not eligible for a WMBA team. Release requests in these cases will not be considered. This would not apply to new Whitby residents who move into Whitby after tryouts have been completed.
5. Prior to tryouts for any non-EBLO team, players must be registered and payment made through the WMBA website's online registration system (www.whitbyminorbaseball.ca). Non-Whitby residents trying out for an EBLO team must pay a \$20 tryout fee, payable at their first tryout.
6. All participants attending tryouts must be able to provide proof of registration upon request.
7. Players must attend all tryouts for their age division until they are either notified of their selection to a team, or, told that they will not be selected for any of the available teams at the age group. Exceptions may be granted if medical or other issues prevent a player from attending. The head coach may notify players selected either in person, by letter, or through e-mail notification. Players not selected for any team should be notified by the lowest tier coach either in person by letter or through e-mail notification.
8. In cases where a player is injured and unable to participate in the tryouts, every effort should be made to attend the tryouts and assist in any way possible.
9. A player not meeting the above criteria and found to be included on a WMBA Rep team's roster without the consent of the rep committee will be immediately removed from that roster. Release requests in these cases will not be considered.
10. No coach will alter or make exception to these policies. Any coach doing so will be immediately suspended from coaching duties.

11. T1 teams at ages that enter the EBLO will have tryouts starting in August of each year, and all other teams will have tryouts starting in September of each year. All tryouts will be coordinated and scheduled by the Rep Committee.

12. At the first tryout, all head coaches must provide the parent/players a letter that outlines the tryout and evaluation process and the anticipated costs for the season.

13. All coaches must select their team in its entirety at the conclusion of the tryouts. Extending tryouts or carrying extra players for the purposes of selecting the team at a later date is not permitted unless approved by the Rep Committee.

14. Rep Committee and Board members will visit tryouts to ensure compliance.

15. All coaches must arrange for independent personnel to assist in their tryouts. Parents of players are not permitted on the diamonds during tryouts.

16. No Whitby Minor Baseball jerseys or T-shirts may be worn at tryouts.