



DKMB REP/SELECT TRYOUT POLICY

In an effort to maintain and strengthen the competitiveness of the Rep/Select program and teams, the following policies and processes will be in effect for tryouts.

Tryout Process

1. Each division wishing to run tryouts for a Rep/Select team will have head coaches selected prior to the Tryout Process. Any deviation from this must be approved by the Board.
2. All tryouts will be coordinated and scheduled by the Board Convenors. Tryout dates and times for each level will be posted on the DKMB website.
3. At the first tryout, all Head Coaches must provide the parents/players a letter that outlines the tryout and evaluation process.
4. All Coaches will have completed the required training or be registered to have completed the required minimums prior to the commencement of the season.
5. Coaching staff will consist of a Head Coach and up to 3 Assistant Coaches. Assistant Coaches selected by the Head Coach must be approved by the Board. The team Trainer and Manager can be selected once the team has been selected.
6. A Parent Rep from each team will be required and this is a position that will be agreed upon by the parents and staff.
7. Girls Rep/Select teams must have a minimum of one female coach.
8. Once all the requests have been submitted to the Board and approval for a Rep/Select Team in the respective division is established, then each team will be given their own tryout time/day slots.
9. Tryouts will run a minimum of 2-3 sessions for each team at 1.5 hours each. It is strongly suggested 2 of the 3 sessions be attended to achieve a full evaluation of the player. 1 session is mandatory for team consideration. In the event 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. A future date will be accommodated on a case-by-case basis due to medical reasons.
10. All Rep/Select tryouts must be completed by at least 2 weeks prior to the league declaration date and preferably by year end of the previous season.
11. Players wishing to tryout for a Rep/Select team must be registered and pay their respective tryout fees prior to the attending the team tryouts. Registration fees will need to be paid by the standard due dates. Only players who have paid a tryout fee will be eligible for a position on the team and only players who have paid their registration by the due date will be eligible to remain on the team.
12. Each Coach must include at least 2 evaluators who are not part of the team for which tryouts are being conducted and the evaluators must be independent with no invested interest on the team. At least one member of the DKMB board will visit tryouts to ensure compliance. Evaluators will



complete standard evaluation forms for the players which will be submitted to the board. The Head Coach will collect the evaluations and submit them along with their selection recommendation to the Board Convenor.

13. Tryouts will consist of a warm up and general baseball drills. Tryouts should consist of throwing, batting, catching, recovery and positional drills. Players will be chosen based on player attitude, behaviour, playing ability and potential for improvement.
14. Coach selections for their teams will be submitted to the Board at which point they will be reviewed along with the independent evaluator sheets. Teams are made up of a wide range of individuals with differing capabilities and talents. Each player is selected because of a particular contribution which they can make to the team. Once the selections have been approved by the Board a final roster will be posted on the DKMB website, and players will also be notified through email. No Coach will alter or make exception to these policies without prior policy amendment approval from the Board. 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 prior approval has been provided by the Board.
15. Coaches are not limited to the number of Affiliated Players (AP's), but must be respectful if there are multiple teams requiring AP's. All AP players must be registered with DKMB for the season to which they will be affiliated and have their registration paid in full by the required time and be actively rostered to an existing DKMB team other than the Rep/Select team to which they are being AP'd.
16. The first obligation of an affiliated player's is to their carded (assigned) team. An affiliated player shall not be permitted to miss a regular season, playoff or tournament game with their carded team in order to practice with the team to which they are affiliated. Prior approval from the AP player's Coach is required to miss a regular season game.
17. AP players are encouraged to practise with their affiliated Rep/Select team. Each Rep/Select team must keep a minimum of 12 players up to a max of 14 players. Any deviation from this must be presented and approved by the Board.
18. Preference will be given to players who meet the Coach's skill/ability requirements for that level that are from the DKMB jurisdiction. However, if there are not sufficient numbers, and players from an outside jurisdiction tryout, they may be considered. All outside jurisdiction players attending DKMB tryouts must have their tryout fees paid in full prior to trying out.
19. A Rep/Select team must be made up initially of players aged for that division. Major or minor. In the event that the numbers are too low to compile a team at both minor and major levels then both age groups can try out for the same team but that team will be competing as a mixed team at the major level.