



# Volunteer Requirements and Program Information

## Rep Program

The SPMBA rep program not only requires increased time commitment from players but also parents. Every rep family from Mosquito Community to Midget AAA is expected to contribute to the off field support.

Team Manager: An integral position to the success of the season. Works closely with the coach for scheduling, planning, delegating duties & communicating to parents. Requires good organizational skills and comfort communicating with families.

Team Treasurer: Collecting, tracking, reporting and documenting all financial transactions for the team.

*Manager & treasurer training sessions are offered in April. These two positions must be filled prior to season start due to roster submissions, team uniform orders and bank account assignment.*

Volunteer Coordinator: Ensures volunteers are in place for all required time slots. The coordinator IS NOT expected to fill empty volunteer times.

Travel Coordinator: Assist team with details for out of town games/tournaments such as planning accommodations, team transportation at older levels, and communicating details to parents.

Fundraising/Event Coordinator: Planning events such as bottle drives, raffles and other fundraising items.

Field Maintenance Lead: One parent to oversee the diamond maintenance that is required before and after the home games. Training is available if needed. Ask your player how important the field condition is to them and you'll know how valuable your role is.

Scorekeeping/Pitch Count: Generally all home games including host weekends require an official scorekeeper and pitch counter, with away games tracked for stats. Coaches depend on the game sheets and pitch count for planning line ups and practices. Other shifts may be required for tournaments.

Host Weekend/Tournament Volunteers: This is when your team needs "all hands on deck". Host weekends are assigned by Baseball Alberta so plan for 2 or more weekends. When providing field maintenance, set up/take down, concession sales, scorekeeping & pitch count for as much as 8-10 games it totals nearly 100 hours of work over the weekend by the parent team.

Doc Plotsky Tournament Rep: Every rep team is required to send representation to the organizational meetings. They will then be responsible for providing information and shift coordination to the team. They will not be expected to fill all the tournament shifts.

- ✓ The rep season begins with evaluations in early March and can end in late August dependant on provincial performance.
- ✓ Time commitment varies by coach and age group but players should plan to have 2-3 games & 2-3 practices each week.
- ✓ Rep play requires both hosting division weekends as well as travelling throughout Alberta. Coaches & players count on each other to be present and committed through the whole season!
- ✓ Players are provided with the use of an association jersey (deposit required) to be returned at the end of season. The cost of all other items are the player's responsibility.

*New to the rep program? Attending the rep parent meeting held in early April will provide you with more information!*

### **Fundraising Requirement**

At registration a \$100 fundraising fee is paid. SPMBA offers three options for cost recovery. Though rep teams may choose to do additional fundraising due to the additional expenses, this is the only requirement by SPMBA.

1. Raffle tickets-You can be issued a book of raffle tickets that are sold to recover the \$100.
2. Christmas Tree Program-Choose a 3-4 hour shift setting up, calling tree buyers, cashiers, deliveries or clean up. Our program of high quality live tree & wreath sales is in early December. You will be reimbursed your \$100 when shift is complete.
3. Opt out fee-You can choose to opt out and your \$100 fee is non-refundable.

### **Did you know? .....**

SPMBA had 568 players in 2015

- ✓ 108 House League Coaches-with 50+ hours of time each. That is 5400 hours of coaching!
- ✓ 15 Rep Parent Coaches with over 200 hours of time each. That is 3000 hours of volunteer coaching!
- ✓ 2000+ hours of Rep Game scorekeeping/pitch count
- ✓ 5000+ hours volunteered by the Board of Directors
- ✓ 200 hours of concession sales during house league games
- ✓ 9 Association Managed Diamonds

Committed Coaching +  
Parent Volunteer Support=  
A Successful Season