



# 2024 DKMB MINOR BASEBALL REGISTRATION

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ

### Registration Policies

#### Please note the following policies regarding registration with DKMB Baseball:

- In order to keep teams manageable and provide adequate playing time for each participant, the DKMB Association has defined a maximum number of players for each team. After this, new registrants will be placed on a waiting list in anticipation of enough players to form an additional team. If an additional team is not possible, the association will assist the registrant in finding another team to join within DKMB or another association.
- Registrants from within the DKMB Association boundary will be given priority for placement on teams. Registrants from outside of the boundary are welcome and will be placed on teams provided that they have not hit their maximum numbers.
- Persons registering with the DKMB Association (players, parents and guardians) will adhere to defined expectations on respect and fair play.

### Payment Information

- **REGISTRATION FOR DELAWARE/KOMOKA/KILWORTH/MT. BRYDGES MINOR BASEBALL IS 100% ONLINE** - All Registrations are handled online and via PayPal or e-transfer. In the event that you cannot pay electronically, please contact us at [registrations@dkmb.ca](mailto:registrations@dkmb.ca) for other payment options
- Registrations are not considered final until payment is complete, however arrangements can be made in order to get your player on the field. Please contact us at [registrations@dkmb.ca](mailto:registrations@dkmb.ca) if you would like to discuss alternate arrangements for payment.
- A Township Park Use Fee is included in registration total costs.
- Registration fees include pants that players will keep for all divisions except U25 Boys and Intermediate Ladies.
- A "Family Discount" of \$10.00 per player is in place for 3 or more
- **There will be a late fee of \$25 for those registering after February 29, 2024 at all levels except U9 Girls Fastball and Blastball.**
- Refunds for those wishing to withdraw from the DKMB program will be provided on a pro-rated basis with the return of a player's uniform if previously supplied. **Note that this policy applies to personal cancellation reasons by a player, and not cancellations made by the association.**
  - 100% refund prior to April 15
  - 75% refund prior to May 15
  - 50% refund prior to June 15
  - 25% refund prior to June 30

### Deadlines

- **Registration will close April 15, 2024.** Late registrants may be considered after this date depending on team numbers and declarations.

### Uniform Deposits

- **A UNIFORM DEPOSIT CHEQUE OF \$75.00 WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ALL DIVISIONS EXCEPT BLASTBALL.**
- **THIS UNIFORM DEPOSIT WILL COVER JERSEY COSTS. PLAYERS WILL KEEP PANTS, BELT AND HATS.**
- **UNIFORM DEPOSIT CHEQUES MAY BE POST-DATED FOR SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.**
- **YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE A UNIFORM WITHOUT A UNIFORM DEPOSIT CHEQUE.**

### Volunteers Needed

The DKMB Association relies heavily on the involvement of volunteers to ensure that all events are sufficiently staffed in order to run with ease and efficiency. We cannot do it without the contribution of the membership's valuable time and effort.

- Volunteer activities will include:
  - Rostered coaching staff
  - Mid-summer tournaments and late summer playoff tournaments.
  - Spring diamond/park clean-up
  - Fall diamond/park clean-up
  - Picture Day
  - Spring uniform/equipment distribution and Fall return
  - Wrap-up Day activities

- More information will be posted on [www.dkmb.ca](http://www.dkmb.ca).

## Equipment

- Baseball gloves are required at every level.
- Baseball cleats are not required at all levels, but highly recommended except for possibly Blastball. Cleats may be mandatory at some levels (e.g. Competitive).
- Bats are not required at any level, although players may wish to use their own. Please note that coaches will ensure that personal bats are appropriate for the player and meet the regulations of the league/division.
- Jocks and jills are not mandatory but are highly recommended.
- Helmets are required and each player must provide their own. Note that this is not the case for Blastball.
- Players will be provided with a game jersey, pants, a belt and a hat. Hats, pants and belt are to be kept by the player.

## Division/League Information

### **Blastball**

Blastball is a fun introduction to baseball for younger players new to the sport. Typically run on one night a week, players will participate in an hour of fun games or practices. Each player will be provided with a hat and Blastball shirt. They will need bring a baseball glove. Baseball cleats may be worn, but are not required.

*Note: Blastball has traditionally been run on Thursday nights, however this will depend on those involved coaching/running the division.*

### **Hardball**

The DKMB Association participates in the London District Baseball Association (LDBA) League for its hardball programs. Participating centres in this league are typically within an hour's drive from the London area, with many closer than this. There are usually 1 to 2 games (a home and an away), and 1 practice per week.

Rookie is the youngest level containing a large number of first time male and female players. A pitching machine is used at this level in order to encourage hitting. Players will require a baseball glove. Baseball cleats are recommended but not required at this level.

Immediate levels above Rookie are coed as well, however the female players usually gravitate toward the Girls Fastball program after the Rookie age.

### **Select/Competitive Hardball**

DKMB participates in the LDBA Select and Competitive leagues which are leagues for hardball players looking to play at a higher level than local league. Many of the Select/Competitive teams are within the London area although some may be up to a 60+ minute drive from London. Schedules often involve 2 games and 1-2 practices per week. Most Select/Competitive teams participate in tournaments during the season and these are at an additional cost to the families.

### **Girls Fastball**

The DKMB Association has traditionally participated in the Community Softball League (CSL) for its local league teams, although a couple of teams at older levels have opted for other local leagues in the area in past years. The CSL operates in the London area and all participating centres are generally within a half hour of London. There are generally 1 to 2 games per week (more often 1) and 1 practice per week.

**New this season** – We are introducing a U9 level for Girls Fastball. This new division will involve a combination of coach and player pitching and will take place on Saturdays. The season for this division may be slightly shorter than the other Fastball divisions.

Many players at the U11, and now U9, levels are new to the sport. Players learn to perform pitching duties at these levels and games are controlled in order to help younger and more inexperienced players.

## Fees

Divison	Gender	Min. Year of Birth	Max. Year of Birth	Cost	Notes
Blastball	Co-ed	2018	2020	\$90.00	Shirt and hat provided to players
<b>Hardball Local League Divisions</b>					
7U Local League	Co-ed	2017	2018	\$275.00	
9U Local League	Co-ed	2015	2016	\$275.00	
11U Local League	Co-ed	2013	2014	\$335.00	
13U Local League	Co-ed	2011	2012	\$350.00	
15U Local League	Co-ed	2009	2010	\$350.00	
18U Local League	Co-ed	2006	2008	\$350.00	
25U Local League	Male	1999	2005	\$275.00	
<b>Girls Fastball Local League Divisions</b>					
U9 Local League	Female	2015	2017	\$250.00	
U11 Local League	Female	2013	2015	\$350.00	Includes mid-season tournament fee
U13 Local League	Female	2011	2012	\$350.00	Includes mid-season tournament fee
U15 Local League	Female	2009	2010	\$350.00	Includes mid-season tournament fee
U17 Local League	Female	2007	2008	\$350.00	Includes mid-season tournament fee
U19 Local League	Female	2005	2006	\$350.00	Includes mid-season tournament fee
U21 Local League	Female	2003	2004	\$350.00	Includes mid-season tournament fee
<b>Hardball Select/Rep Divisions</b>					
All Select and Rep Divisions	Co-ed			\$520.00	
<b>Girls Fastball Competitive Divisions</b>					
Ladies Intermediate Competitive	Female	n/a	n/a	\$325.00	Open age bracket

**Thank you for your interest in the DKMB Minor Baseball Association!**