

LMBA Umpire Protocol

Umpires are vital to the success of all LMBA programs. The following protocol outlines the training, remuneration and expectations of umpires that are involved in the LMBA. All LMBA umpires will be eligible to play at a Pee Wee level in either sport.

Training

LMBA will provide an annual umpire clinic in April. Potential umpires will be contacted to take the course. Umpires residing in centres outside of Lloydminster will also be eligible to take the course room permitting. All LMBA members will have course fees covered by LMBA. All other umpires will cover their own costs. LMBA will not cover costs of clinics taken outside of Lloydminster if an identical course is offered in Lloydminster. Umpires wishing to take advanced levels will not be reimbursed by LMBA, unless having the level of umpire is required by the association.

Remuneration

LMBA will set umpire rates annually by April 15th. These rates will outline the payment of all umpires for all divisions, and should be based on current SBA and ASA rates. Any umpire association fees will not be covered by LMBA. Umpires will be scheduled and tracked by a designate of the vice-president for baseball and softball. Current trained (carded) umpires must be used, unless they are not available. Payment for all LMBA house league games for non-carded umpires will be one-half of the fee set by LMBA.

Expectations

- LMBA will not reimburse nor purchase umpire uniforms/clothing. It is the responsibility of the umpire to have appropriate attire (as prescribed by the governing body).
- Umpires must have counter and brush. These are to be supplied by the umpire.
- Umpire protective equipment can be borrowed by umpires from LMBA. This can be provided by an equipment manager and will

consist of current LMBA catcher equipment. Equipment bags will be placed in diamond equipment sheds when available.

- Umpires must be at all games 15 minutes prior to the game start.
- The umpire scheduler will be responsible for contacting the umpires to assign game times. This should be completed at least on a weekly basis.
- LMBA demands a zero tolerance of abuse towards umpires. All reported incidents will be investigated and sanctions may be given to offending person(s).