

MBT TEAM ELIGIBILITY REGULATIONS (2018)

Any association that does not participate in the Metro Baseball League or the Gopher State Baseball League during the 2018 season must have a team play at the AAA level. All teams must follow the MBT Rules when placing their teams in MBT Qualifiers.

Exception: Only teams that participate in the Metro Baseball League or the Gopher State League do not need a Team Eligibility Waiver (except for Gopher State 9 year old teams). If your Association does not play in either of the two mentioned leagues, then they must have an MBT Team Eligibility Waiver signed and approved by MBT to play in any MBT Tournaments. **(Please read statement below for more information).**

All Gopher State League 9 Open teams must have a MBT Team Eligibility Waiver to place them at the correct level (AAA or AA).

All Little League Teams will need to get approval from the Traveling Associations which community/communities that they reside in to play in any MBT Qualifiers before they contact MBT for an MBT Team Eligibility Waiver.

All teams must be from a recognized bona fide baseball association or accepted school program to participate. The MBL Baseball Board of Advisors reserves the right to review and rule on the eligibility of any team.

Players must try out and compete with the travel association within the community where they reside or for the school they attend.

In order to encourage the development and expansion of baseball within the state and to provide for uniformity of competition for the purpose of obtaining these goals, MBT shall be divided into three competitive levels as herein provided. The policy of MBT is that all Associations must have an "AAA" team to have an "AA" team and "AA" team to have an "A" team unless they petition MBT for an exception, but they must do so prior to participating in a MBT qualifying event. It is the responsibility of the team and/or the Association to ensure all teams have been accepted in the classification they are participating. If this is your team's first year participating in traveling level baseball, you must contact us to see where your team should be placed. However, as in past years, all teams will be subject to review by MBT prior to final acceptance in the tournament.

If your "A" or "AA" team placed in the Top Four in the MBT State Championship or the Gopher State Championship and there is not a team from your association at that age and at a higher level, your team must move up to the next level the following year.

These policies are in effect for all levels of play (AAA, AA, A) in MBT.

Interlevel Play - There shall be no interlevel play between "AAA", "AA", and "A" levels.

No Renegade Teams or All-Star Teams. Definition: A renegade/All-Star team is defined as any team that is comprised of players who all reside in the same community or attend the same school, but who have chosen to bypass the local traveling association to form a team. It is also defined as any team that is comprised of players from multiple communities where recognized youth associations exist.

Intact teams only. No ALL-STAR Teams allowed. In order to participate in a MBT championship event, you must compete with the roster submitted for league play and competed as a team for a minimum of four league games or tournament games with the team they are going to participate with in the MBT Championship. Teams are allowed to pick up three players from their local association as long as they are of the same age or younger and play at the same or lesser level. Example: Class AA teams may not pick up players from Class AAA of any age.

No Club teams are allowed to play in MBT Qualifiers.