

BASEBALL PEI POLICY

Discipline Guidelines Policy

1.1 Introduction

- Please note these are discipline guidelines for all Baseball PEI exhibition, regular season, tournament, Eliminations and Provincial Championship games. Depending on the situation, the appropriate Director and/or the Board of Directors of Baseball PEI reserves the right to revise the amount of discipline levied for a certain situation.
 - A Director and/or the Board of Directors of Baseball PEI reserves the right to discipline or suspend a player/coach/team personnel even if the player/coach/team personnel are not ejected from a game.
- In any serious instances of umpire abuse by a coach and/or a player, the appropriate age category Director has the right to have a meeting – either electronically or in-person – with the suspended individual, the suspended individual’s minor baseball association president, a member of the Prince Edward Island Baseball Umpires Association, and any other individuals deemed beneficial to the meeting. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the incident surrounding the ejection and ways forward to ensure such actions do not happen again. Upon the completion of this meeting, the appropriate Director has the right to alter the number of games suspended.
- On top of the discipline below, if some coach/player/team personnel are ejected more than once in a season, a one (1) game suspension will be added onto any other discipline levied to the coach/player/team personnel each time the coach/player/team personnel is subsequently ejected.
- In all circumstances, if some player or coach/team personnel prolong argument after ejection, the following additional discipline will be levied (in addition to any other discipline that is levied due to an ejection):
 - First offence: an additional one (1) game suspension.
 - Second offence: an additional two (2) game suspension.
 - Third offence: suspended indefinitely with a hearing with Baseball PEI.
- When a player or coach is ejected from a game, the player or coach shall leave the dugout (under no circumstances can a player or coach return to the dugout after being ejected) and be outside of the vicinity of the dugouts and/or bullpen. The vicinity of dugouts includes the area behind the backstop between the two dugouts and any bleachers and/or area beside/close to the dugout (within approximately ninety feet of the dugout). As well, under no circumstances shall the ejected person make contact with either team and/or with umpires, or make comments towards or confront umpires after the completion of the game.
- After a player or coach is ejected from a game, that player or coach is suspended indefinitely until the Director of their age category confirms the appropriate discipline for their offence.
 - For example, if a player or coach is ejected in the first game of a doubleheader, unless the Director of their age category makes a ruling on discipline prior to the second game of the doubleheader, that player or coach is not eligible to play in the second game of the doubleheader.
- For any player or coach representing Baseball PEI at a Baseball Canada and/or Baseball Atlantic competition, a suspension earned in Baseball PEI play will carry over to Baseball Canada and/or Baseball Atlantic competition or any exhibition games with that Provincial team. Just because a player or coach is suspended in a Baseball PEI competition does not mean only Baseball PEI games are applicable for a suspension; all games are applicable.
 - For example, if a player playing 18U “AA” is suspended four (4) games and plays with the PEI Youth Selects and the next four (4) games that player is supposed to play in is two 18U “AA” games, one (1) exhibition game with the PEI Youth Selects, and the first game of the Baseball Canada Cup, Baseball PEI will not allow that player to play in any of those four (4) games.
- Any player or coach suspended in Baseball PEI play is not eligible to play/coach in a game being played outside of Baseball PEI jurisdiction.
 - For example, if a 13U “AA” player is suspended two (2) games and the next two (2) games that player is supposed to play in are to take place in a tournament Off-Island, that player is not permitted to play in those first two (2) games in that tournament. If that player plays in one (1) or both of those games, that player and the head coach of that team will be suspended indefinitely, pending a hearing with Baseball PEI.
- Any player registered with Baseball PEI suspended by Baseball Canada or another Provincial Baseball Organization – while playing in a competition in that jurisdiction – will see their suspension enforced by Baseball PEI.
- If any criminal offence takes place at a Baseball PEI game/practice/event, any witness to the criminal activity has a duty to report it to the local policing authorities and Baseball PEI.

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2.1 Umpire Abuse/Harassment

Type of Offense	Offender	First Offense	Second Offense	Third Offense
Verbal Abuse, comments that are inappropriate, unsportsmanlike and/or bullying in nature, or inappropriate gestures at an umpire.	Player	Ejection from the current game.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Verbal Abuse, comments that are inappropriate, unsportsmanlike and/or bullying in nature, or inappropriate gestures at an umpire.	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Multiple players in the same game from one team ejected for verbal abuse, comments that are inappropriate, unsportsmanlike and/or bullying in nature, or inappropriate gestures at an umpire.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Making derogatory comments or actions towards an umpire based upon the umpire's gender, race, religion, orientation, and/or disability.	Player/Coach /Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
At least two instances (one after a warning) of a player/players on a team making derogatory comments towards an umpire based upon the umpire's gender, race, religion, orientation, and/or disability where the umpire cannot identify the offending person.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Repeated questioning of an umpire's call (after being warned to stop).	Player	Ejection from the current game.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Repeated questioning of an umpire's call (after being warned to stop).	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Threatening an umpire with physical harm (i.e. but not limited to "I will get you after the game," "See you in the parking lot," "You'll get yours" and et cetera).	Player/Coach /Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional four (4) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Multiple players from one team ejected in the same game for threatening an umpire with physical harm.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.

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Making inappropriate or derogatory comments towards and/or confronting umpires after the game.	Player	An additional one (1) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Making inappropriate or derogatory comments towards and/or confronting umpires after the game.	Coach/Team Personnel	A two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Contacting an umpire unintentionally.	Player	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Contacting an umpire unintentionally.	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Contacting an umpire intentionally.	Player/Coach /Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Throwing equipment/debris forcefully in frustration due to an umpire's call (equipment/debris is not directed towards the umpire).	Player	Ejection from the current game.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Throwing equipment/debris forcefully in frustration due to an umpire's call (equipment/debris is not directed towards the umpire).	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Throwing equipment/debris in the direction of an umpire (please note, if the equipment/debris thrown makes contact with an umpire, this situation would be considered "Contacting an umpire intentionally")	Player	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Throwing equipment/debris in the direction of an umpire (please note, if the equipment/debris thrown makes contact with an umpire, this situation would be considered "Contacting an umpire intentionally")	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.

3.1 Violent/Aggressive Play

Type of Offense	Offender	First Offense	Second Offense	Third Offense
Illegal contact (<u>without</u> intent to injure).	Player	Ejection from the current game.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game



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Illegal contact (<u>with</u> intent to injure).	Player	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Intentional throwing at batter's body.	Pitcher	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
A team's pitcher intentionally throwing at batter's body.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Intentional throwing at batter's head area.	Pitcher	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension, as well as a hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
A team's pitcher intentionally throwing at batter's head area.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension, as well as a hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Fighting (includes charging the mound, starting a physical fight/confrontation, et cetera).	Player	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension, as well as a hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Fighting (includes charging the mound, starting a physical fight/confrontation, et cetera).	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional four (4) game suspension, as well as a hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Being the first to leave the dugout to either participate in a physical altercation and/or threaten a member of the opposing team.	Player	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Being the first to leave the dugout to either participate in a physical altercation and/or threaten a member of the opposing team.	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.

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Restrained from confronting umpire/player aggressively.	Player	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Restrained from confronting umpire/player aggressively.	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Returning to playing field/dugout after an ejection to participate in a fight or bench-clearing.	Player	An additional three (3) game suspension to be added. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Returning to playing field/dugout after an ejection to participate in a fight or bench-clearing.	Coach/Team Personnel	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.

4.1 Verbal Abuse/Harassment/Bullying

Type of Offense	Offender	First Offense	Second Offense	Third Offense
Verbal abuse/bench jockeying - Actions or words directed towards an opponent or a fan for the purposes of but not limited to embarrassment, bullying, taunting and baiting.	Player	Ejection from the current game. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Verbal abuse/bench jockeying - Actions or words directed towards an opponent or a fan for the purposes of but not limited to embarrassment, bullying, taunting and baiting.	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Multiple players from one team ejected in the same game for comments that are bullying, embarrassing, taunting and baiting in nature, towards the opposing team.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Threatening an opponent and/or a spectator with physical harm (i.e. but not limited to "I will get you after the game," "See you in the parking lot," "You'll get yours" and et cetera).	Player/Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional four (4) game suspension, as well as a hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Multiple players from one team ejected in the same game for threatening an opponent and/or spectator with physical harm.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.

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Making derogatory comments or actions deemed to be objectionable based on race, religion, orientation and/or disability towards the opposing team.	Player/ Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension, as well as a hearing with Baseball PEI. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
At least two instances (one after a warning) in the same game of a player/players on a team acting in a manner deemed to be objectionable based on race, religion, orientation and/or disability where the umpire cannot identify the offending person.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.

5.1 Unsportsmanlike Conduct

Type of Offense	Offender	First Offense	Second Offense	Third Offense
Throwing equipment/debris in opponents' direction.	Player	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional four (4) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Throwing equipment/debris in opponents' direction.	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional three (3) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional five (5) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Continue to make movements, sounds or gestures in an attempt to illegally distract an opposing player/pitcher after being warned to stop.	Player	Ejection from the current game.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Continue to make movements, sounds or gestures in an attempt to illegally distract an opposing player/pitcher after being warned to stop.	Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Deliberately refusing to leave the dugout after an ejection.	Player	An additional one (1) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	An additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Deliberately refusing to leave the dugout after an ejection.	Coach/Team Personnel	An additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	An additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.

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Not leaving the vicinity of the dugout after ejection.	Player/Coach/Team Personnel	An additional one (1) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	An additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Making contact with either team and/or making comments towards the umpires after an ejection.	Player	An additional one (1) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	An additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Making contact with either team and/or making comments towards the umpires after an ejection.	Coach/Team Personnel	An additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Returning to playing field/dugout after an ejection.	Player	An additional one (1) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	An additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Returning to playing field/dugout after an ejection.	Coach/Team Personnel	An additional two (2) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	An additional three (3) game suspension. Additional penalties may apply.	Suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Ejection for tobacco use (includes smokeless and e-cigarettes).	Player/Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Ejection for alcohol during a game.	Player/Coach/Team Personnel	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Use of altered bat.	Player	Ejection from the current game.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Foreign substance/doctored baseball.	Player	Ejection from the current game.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
Team playing an ineligible and/or suspended player, or a player not on the official roster.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game (if noticed during the game) plus an additional two (2) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game (if noticed during the game) and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.	Ejection from the current game (if noticed during the game) and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.
A player violating the Baseball PEI Arm Smart (Pitch Count) Rules.	Head Coach	Ejection from the current game plus an additional one (1) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game plus an additional two (2) game suspension.	Ejection from the current game and suspended indefinitely; hearing with Baseball PEI.



6.1 Yellow Card Sanction

- Baseball PEI is introducing the “Yellow Card Sanction” in all Baseball PEI competition at the 18U levels and younger – exhibition, league, tournament and Provincial tournament games – in 2021 and beyond.
- A yellow card can be given to any player or coach when a minor misconduct occurs in a game.
 - A minor misconduct is an action contrary to good manners, moral principles, or expressing contempt.
- A yellow card will replace what was deemed “a warning” before 2021.
 - Every yellow card handed out shall be reported to Baseball PEI upon the completion of the game (in the same way an ejection is immediately reported to Baseball PEI upon the competition of the game). Before 2021, a warning was not reported to Baseball PEI.
- If a yellow card is handed out in a game, the player or coach will be allowed to remain in the game.
 - If a second yellow card is handed out to the same player or coach in the same game, the player or coach will be immediately ejected from the game.
- A yellow card need not precede an ejection. If the offending player or coach’s actions are egregious and constitute a major misconduct, the official will immediately eject the player or coach
 - A major misconduct includes defaming or insulting words or gestures, actual physical contact or aggressive or threatening behaviour along with any other behaviour that would have resulted in an ejection under previous game management structures.
- If a player or coach accumulates a number of yellow cards over a season, they will be subject to supplemental discipline. Over the course of one season, if a player or coach accumulates:
 - Three (3) yellow cards, they will be suspended one (1) game upon the acquisition of the third (3rd) yellow card.
 - Another two (2) yellow cards after their third (3rd) yellow card, to raise their total to five (5) yellow cards earned over a season, they will be suspended two (2) games.
 - Another two (2) yellow cards after their fifth (5th) yellow card, to raise their total to seven (7) yellow cards earned over a season, they will be suspended three (3) games.
 - Another yellow card after their seventh (7th) yellow card, they will be suspended indefinitely, pending a hearing with the Board of Directors of Baseball PEI.
- Depending on circumstances around the receiving of yellow cards, the respective Baseball PEI Division Directors retain the right to alter the discipline assessed to a player or coach upon receiving a yellow card.