

WPBR COBRA Policies

COBRA

COBRA – the Coalition of Babe Ruth Athletes – is a Central Florida organization of local Babe Ruth Leagues. The stated goal of the organization is to provide additional competitive game opportunities to interested players.

As such, **all players** registered during the Spring season at WPBR are *eligible* to play on a WPBR COBRA team. The number of COBRA teams that the league will support is only limited by the number of volunteers that step forward, and the number of interested players.

WPBR COBRA teams play against other leagues in a double header on Sundays during the season. Each league is permitted to form teams as they see fit. WPBR has chosen to leave rostering up to the discretion of approved managers.

COBRA and All-Stars are unrelated. A COBRA team is formed by a volunteer manager with minimal league involvement. The manager may add players to the roster at his discretion. The All-Star team on the other hand is voted on by managers and coaches in the division at the end of the season, and the bulk of the roster is formed based on the outcome of the voting.

COBRA is generally a more competitive, results oriented brand of baseball than league ball. There are no minimum play rules. Playing time and rostering are done completely at the coach's discretion.

Manager Approval

COBRA Managers are approved by the WPBR Board of Directors following a similar process to league manager approval.

1. Interested managers should contact the division commissioner to request a COBRA team.
2. The division commissioner will confer with the League President and VP of Baseball and will submit the list of volunteer managers to the WPBR Board of Directors for approval.
3. The division commissioner will notify each volunteer regarding the outcome of the vote.

Rostering

1. Players/parents interested in playing on a COBRA team should contact COBRA managers, or the division commissioner to inquire about open COBRA roster spots.
2. COBRA managers generally seek out the players they are interested in carrying on their roster, but many are interested in carrying additional players to avoid major scheduling conflicts on game days. This is done solely at the coach's discretion.
3. If multiple COBRA teams are formed in a division, a player is permitted to play with the COBRA team of his choosing.
4. Player contact will not be managed by the league. However, instances of managers recruiting players from other teams by speaking negatively of the other team/coach will be dealt with swiftly, and harshly. Confirmed misconduct of this nature will result in the offending managers' team being dissolved.