

Parent / Guardian Consent Form

This form is designed to be completed by the parent or legal guardian of any player under the age of 18. It will give permission for them to take part in Baseball Ireland related activities. Anything written on this form will be held in confidence. Once completed please return to the club contact responsible for the management of this information.

This form will cover your son or daughter for all the season's activities you list in section 6 - please list the Season that you are proposing to cover in the CONSENT STATEMENT FROM PARENT/GUARDIAN on page 4 (e.g., "2022 Season"). The form MUST be registered with the Club prior to the start of the season by submitting the form to the Club to which the player is affiliated. A copy of the form must be presented to any League Head and any Tournament Control in which the Under 18 is to participate.

SECTION 1: PLAYER DETAILS

First Name*	
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Last Name*	
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Date of Birth*	
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What documentation was supplied for Proof of Age with a Photo ID? (Passport? Driving Licence? ID with Photo and Date of Birth?)	
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Gender*	
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SECTION 2: PARENTS / GUARDIANS - CONTACT DETAILS

Parent / Guardian*	
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Address*	
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Tel (Day)*	
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Tel (Evening)*	
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Mobile*	
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Email*	
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SECTION 3: EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

In the event of an incident or emergency situation, where a parent or legal guardian named above cannot be contacted, please provide details of an alternative adult who can be contacted by the club. Please make this person aware that his or her details have been provided as a contact for the club.

Name*

Phone Number*

Relationship which the person has with the child:

SECTION 4: MEDICAL INFORMATION

Does your child suffer from any medical conditions/allergies that the club/ coach should be aware of, including any current medication?

Yes No

Please provide details of medication that must be administered: _____

Name of Doctor /
Surgery

Telephone Number:

SECTION 5: CONSENT STATEMENT FROM PARENT/GUARDIAN

- I confirm that to the best of my knowledge all information provided on this form is accurate and that I will undertake to advise the club of any changes to this information.

- I agree to the child named above taking part in the activities of the club.

My child named above has my permission to participate in all activities of his/her team, including transportation to/from the activities. I am enclosing a copy of my child's passport or birth certificate to verify their age. In the case of illness or injury to my child in my absence, I grant authority to the club/team and Baseball Ireland to take initial steps to secure medical advice and services. I know that participation in baseball may result in serious injuries to players, and do hereby waive the liability of the club/team and Baseball Ireland, the organisers, sponsors, supervisors, coaches, umpires and participants from any claim arising out of injury to my child, beyond that covered by the club's insurance policy.

Please complete this section if your child is presently 15 years of age or older or turns 15 during the season and you are willing to let them participate as a pitcher or catcher in competition. I have reviewed Major League Baseball's Pitch Smart Guidelines (www.mlb.com/pitch-smart) and Baseball Ireland's rules on youth pitchers and catchers.

I understand the rules and guidance of being a pitcher or catcher and allow my child to participate in competition as a pitcher or catcher.

Parent / Guardian's
Signature *

Print Name *

* Indicates required information

Data Protection Statement

By submitting this form, you understand and accept the following:

Baseball Ireland is committed to respecting your privacy. The information that you provide on this form will be stored securely by the child's club and used by our staff for the following:

- To provide services to you – where you have requested them - in line with our purpose to develop the sports of baseball and softball
- To organise the event, programme or course that you registered for
- To keep a record of membership, attendance and qualifications associated with our programmes, events and courses
- If the registration data is no longer needed, we will delete it from our records.

BASEBALL IRELAND and/or the club may take photographs or video at events, programmes and courses for reporting, promotion or marketing purposes. This is carried out in accordance with our Photography & Recording Policy.

More detail on the above can be found in the Baseball Ireland Safeguarding Policy 2022.

You may access, update or request deletion of your personal information by contacting BASEBALL IRELAND and/or the club.

I agree to the BASEBALL IRELAND Club Child Safeguarding Statement Risk Assessment.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

ADVICE NOTES

It is extremely important that permission should be obtained from parents, guardians or carers of any young person under the age of 18 years who is wishing to join a club or team of adults, or people over 18 years of age.

Both the club or team, and the parents, guardians and carers have a right and a responsibility to make sure that children within their care are safe at all times.

A good club or team will:

- have a trained Child (Club) Safeguarding Officer.
- have adopted the BASEBALL IRELAND Safeguarding Policy.
- ensure that and volunteers or coaches that work with young people have been suitably checked i.e., Garda Vetted
- have a written code of conduct for team officials working with young people.
- have qualified coaches.
- have adopted the BI Club Child Safeguarding Statement Risk Assessment
- have a complaints procedure.
- welcome any questions a parent, guardian or carer may wish to ask about the club or team.
- will be registered with BASEBALL IRELAND.

Parents, guardians and carers should have concern if a club or team:

- discourages them from watching or becoming involved.
- encourages rough play, humiliating punishments or sexual innuendo.
- does not follow the rules of baseball.
- encourage favouritism, personal reward or inappropriate physical contact.
- have poor communications with parents, guardian's or carers.
- have their young person drop out for no apparent reason.

The safety of our children and young people is of paramount importance to BASEBALL IRELAND and any further information can be obtained from the BASEBALL IRELAND National Children's Officer at

<http://www.baseballireland.com>

Pitching/Catching restrictions for players under 18 years of age (U18)

No player under the age of 15 can pitch in the A or B League. Players under the age of 16 need written permission from the club and their parent/guardian to pitch.

Catchers under the age of 18 (U18) must use Adult Catcher's Gear while fielding the position. If the available adult gear does not fit, the player cannot play the position.

The following limits on maximum pitches per day and required rest (per day) will apply to every youth pitcher under the age of 18. note: U18 pitchers should also rest before pitching again as specified:

Ages	Daily Max (Pitches)	Required Rest				
		0 Days	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	4 Days
13 and under	55	1-30	31-35	36-40	41-50	51+
14	65	1-30	31-35	36-40	41-55	56+
15	75	1-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61+
16	85	1-30	31-40	41-50	51-65	66+
17	95	1-30	31-45	46-60	61-70	71+

A youth pitcher may finish the batter they are facing when they reach their daily maximum.

In addition to the above, the following additional limitations must be met:

- If a youth pitcher exceeds 30 pitches in a day, they are not eligible to pitch again or play catcher that day once they have been removed from a game.
- If a youth pitcher exceeds 30 pitches in an inning, they are required to be removed from the game. The Youth Pitcher may finish the batter they are facing.
- Any catcher (17 years of age or under) who has caught 30 batters faced or more on that day, is ineligible to pitch on that day.

The team which has the youth pitcher must designate a person to be the team's official pitch counter. This individual cannot be playing a defensive position on the team. The official pitch counter may be switched during the game.

In the event that a team utilising a Youth Pitcher is unable to supply a pitch counter, the following limitations on number of batters faced and required rest will apply:

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If a pitcher exceeds 8 batters faced (7 batters faced for pitchers under the age of 18) in a day, they are not eligible to pitch again or play catcher that day once they have been removed from a game.

If a pitcher exceeds 8 batters faced in an inning, they are required to be removed from the game.

Any catcher (17 years of age or under) who has caught 30 batters faced or more on that day, is ineligible to pitch on that day.

Violations, protocol and penalties

It shall be the responsibility of the opposing captain to bring violations of these pitching rules to the attention of the home plate umpire. A pitcher shall be considered to have violated these rules if he throws one pitch in an inning above the prescribed limits.

The minimum penalty for violating these rules is an automatic ejection from the game for the pitcher and his captain.