



Baseball PEI Provincial Championship 2026

ZERO TOLERANCE Spectator Conduct Policy

Baseball PEI is committed to providing a safe, respectful and positive championship environment for our players, coaches, officials, volunteers and families.

For all 2026 Baseball PEI Provincial Championships, there will be **ZERO TOLERANCE for spectator abuse, harassment, intimidation, inappropriate conduct or interference with the game.**

All parents and spectators are expected to comply with the standards established in the Baseball PEI Parent Code of Conduct and all applicable Baseball PEI policies.

Scope of Application

This policy applies **before, during and after all Provincial Championship games** and throughout the championship venue.

This includes:

- Playing fields and spectator areas;
- Areas behind home plate, along baselines and beyond the outfield;
- Dugout and field-access areas;
- Common areas surrounding the playing fields; and
- **Parking lots and parking areas associated with or surrounding the championship venue.**

The standards of behaviour expected during the game **do not end when the final out is recorded.**

Abusive, intimidating, profane, confrontational or otherwise inappropriate conduct directed toward players, coaches, umpires, tournament personnel, volunteers or other spectators **before or after a game, including in parking areas, will be treated in the same manner as misconduct occurring during the game.**

Removal from the Premises

Any parent or spectator identified as being in violation of Baseball PEI's conduct standards will be directed to **leave the premises immediately.**



Removal does **not** mean moving to centre field, beyond the outfield fence, to the parking lot adjacent to the field, or to another viewing location.

The individual must leave the championship premises entirely and will no longer observe, participate in or remain in the vicinity of the game.

If the individual refuses to leave:

1. **The game will be stopped**, where the incident occurs during a game.
2. The individual will again be directed to leave the premises.
3. If the individual continues to refuse to comply, **the team with which that spectator is associated will forfeit the game.**

Where an incident occurs immediately before or after a game, Baseball PEI may apply the appropriate tournament consequences to the team with which the individual is associated.

Spectators do not participate in Baseball PEI competition independently of the team they are attending to support. Where a spectator refuses to comply with tournament conduct requirements, Baseball PEI may apply competitive or tournament consequences to the team with which that spectator is affiliated.

Baseball PEI recognizes that its representatives do not have the authority to physically remove an individual from a public space. Accordingly, where an individual refuses to comply with a direction to leave, the consequences of that refusal will be applied to the team with which the individual is associated.

Tournament and 2026 Championship Suspension

A parent or spectator removed under this policy will **not be permitted to attend any further games in that Provincial Championship.**

In addition, that individual will **not be permitted to attend any other Baseball PEI Provincial Championship, or Atlantic Championships for the remainder of the 2026 season**, regardless of whether they have a child, relative, friend or other connection participating in another tournament.

This restriction applies to **all Baseball PEI Provincial Championships, and Atlantic Championships hosted on PEI or any other province in 2026. Further to this, if a parent who has been removed from an event attends an Atlantic Championship out of province, the team they are connected to will forfeit their BPEI travel subsidy.**



Two spectators from same team-Removal Consequence

If **two parents or spectators associated with the same team are removed** during a Provincial Championship or Atlantic Championship hosted on PEI, additional restrictions will apply to that team for the remainder of the tournament.

From that point forward:

- **All parents and spectators associated with that team must view games from the outfield area only.**
- They will not be permitted to remain behind home plate, along the baselines, near the dugouts or in other standard spectator areas.
- Any individuals who were previously removed under this policy **remain prohibited from attending the tournament entirely** and may not return even to the designated outfield viewing area.

This measure is intended to protect the tournament environment where a pattern of spectator misconduct has developed around a particular team.

Authority to Enforce

Authority to identify inappropriate spectator conduct and direct an individual to leave the premises is granted to:

- Baseball PEI Board of Directors members;
- Designated Provincial Championship Host Committee personnel;
- Board members of the hosting association;
- PEI Baseball Umpires Association Board members;
- Game umpires;
- Umpire supervisors; and
- Certified Baseball PEI/PEIBUA Umpire Mentors in attendance.

These individuals **may be attending the game in plain clothes and may not be immediately identifiable as tournament officials.**

Where necessary, the individual will identify themselves and their role. The Host Committee will confirm their authority to act under this policy.

Once that authority has been confirmed, **the direction to leave is enforceable under this policy and must be followed.**



No Appeal

Decisions made under this policy regarding the removal of a spectator from a Provincial Championship, forfeiture resulting from refusal to comply, team spectator restrictions resulting from two removals, or the resulting prohibition from attending further 2026 Provincial/Atlantic Championships are **final and are not subject to appeal**.

This policy is intended to address conduct occurring in real time and to protect the immediate safety, integrity and environment of Baseball PEI championship play.

What We Want to See From Our Spectators

Provincial Championships should be exciting, memorable experiences for young athletes.

Parents and spectators play an important role in creating that environment.

We encourage everyone attending a Baseball PEI Championship to:

- **Cheer positively for your team and its players.**
- **Recognize great effort and great plays — from both teams.**
- **Allow coaches to coach.**
- **Allow umpires to officiate without criticism, intimidation or interference.**
- **Remember that many of our officials are young people who are learning and developing just like the players.**
- **Model respectful behaviour, even during competitive or emotional moments.**
- **Respect opposing players, coaches, families and volunteers.**
- **Keep comments positive and appropriate for youth sport.**
- **Support players after mistakes rather than criticizing them.**
- **Help make the championship experience enjoyable for every child on the field.**
- **Report serious concerns through the appropriate Baseball PEI process rather than confronting officials, coaches, players or other spectators during a game or afterward in the parking lot.**
- **Remember that adults set the standard for the environment our young athletes experience.**

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The Standard Is Simple

**Cheer for the players.
Support the coaches.
Respect the officials.
Be respectful of one another.
Let the kids play.**

There is no championship result important enough to justify abusive or inappropriate adult behaviour.

That standard applies before the game, during the game and after the game — including in the parking lot.

If you cannot meet that standard, you will be required to leave.