## Bonivital Minor Baseball Association Player Transfer Policy

The Bonivital Minor Baseball Association (BVMBA) is committed to growing and supporting the sport of baseball. The Association is focused on building and maintaining a sustainable baseball program through the development of its players, coaches and umpires. There is a recognition that from time to time, minor baseball associations will not have sufficient registrations to support the formation of a baseball team in a specific age group at the competitive (AAA) level. It is common practice for baseball associations to request other associations to transfer their registrants to another program for the purposes of sustaining a team at that age level. It is important to BVMBA that its support for the growth of the sport of baseball in Winnipeg is not provided at the expense of the growth and development of BVMBA program.

## **Policy**

Bonivital Minor Baseball Association will receive formal requests of player transfers from other Associations.

Requests from other Associations will only be accepted where the requesting Association lacks sufficient registration to field a team at the AAA level. This request must be made annually.

Agreement to the request by other Associations will only occur where:

- there are sufficient numbers in BVMBA registration to support the transfer and,
- transfer of players does not diminish the Bonivital baseball program at the AA or A level.

The Tryout Committee must determine sufficient registration numbers at all levels before agreeing to support the request of other Association(s).

Only players who are unsuccessful in the Bonivital AAA try-out selection process are eligible for consideration to transfer.

The Tryout Committee can authorize the transfer of no more than 2 players, per age group (13U, 15U &18U), per baseball season\*

The tryout committee in consultation with the requesting Association representatives will determine which players will be considered for transfer.

A player must agree to the transfer to a different Association.

The transfer of a player shall only be granted for one baseball season\*, after which the player must re-register with BVMBA.

Bonivital will not assume cost associated with a transfer accepted by a player.

BVMBA will not agree to any player-initiated requests for transfer to another association.

BVMBA will review this policy annually to determine if it has sufficient registration to support its implementation in the upcoming season.

## Exception

Where another Association's program is at risk, The BVMBA Board is authorized to approve the transfer of up to 2 additional players, upon the request of the association.

Approval for additional players shall only be permitted where the tryout committee has demonstrated request for additional players will not adversely impact the BVMBA programs.

At no time shall the number of players transferred under an Association request exceed 4 players in any age group.

BVMBA will not except player transfer request from other Associations into BVMBA

\*A baseball season will be defined as a period of 5 months - from April 1 till September 1.