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Overnight Travel Policy

(1.0) Introduction

Baseball BC believes in fostering a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment for participants. Overnight team travel can be a fun, rewarding, and memorable experience for athletes. The purpose of this policy is to ensure the safety of athletes during overnight team travel. This policy applies to all Baseball BC organized teams, including but not limited to teams travelling to Western and National Championships.

(2.0) Application

There are different models of team travel that impact the applicability of sections of this policy.

When all athletes travel with their parents/guardians, the chaperone and supervision requirements, as described in section 4.0, are generally not applicable if the athletes remain under the direct supervision of their parents/guardians when not in a baseball setting.

Parents/guardians may arrange for their child to travel under the direct supervision of another adult. This scenario does not necessitate the need for chaperones.

(3.0) Conduct

When participating in team travel, athletes, regardless of whether they are under the direct supervision of chaperones or parents/guardians, are participating in a Baseball BC sanctioned activity for the duration of that trip. As such, they are expected to follow all Baseball BC policies, including the Code of Conduct, both on and off the field. Individuals who fail to adhere to these policies are subject to consequences under Baseball BC's discipline policy.

(4.0) Chaperones & Supervision

The team shall designate chaperones for the trip. The names chaperones and their contact information shall be communicated to the parents/guardians of athletes in advance of the trip.

Typically, coaches will act in the role of chaperones; however, other responsible adults, such as a travel manager, general manager, or chef de mission, may be assigned this role.



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When more than one chaperone is assigned to a trip, it is permissible for chaperones to be on and off duty, provided that athletes are always under the supervision of a chaperone.

Any individual assigned as a chaperone must complete the Baseball BC screening policy.

The chaperones are responsible for supervising athletes and ensuring their safety both on and off the field. The chaperones must set clearly communicated expectations for their athletes related to conduct, their mobility, curfew, and other applicable items. These expectations will vary depending on the setting and the age of the athletes.

Chaperones may not be under the influence of substances while performing their duties.

It is permissible for parents/guardians to take over the direct supervision of their child from time to time during the trip. This must be communicated to the chaperones. Parents/guardians may not take direct responsibility for other athletes, without prior permission being given from that athlete's parents/guardians.

(5.0) Rooming

The chaperones shall establish a rooming list and will ensure that in cases of coed teams, athletes of only one gender occupy each room.

Guests not affiliated with the team, may not enter the rooms of minor athletes.

Coaches may not share a room with an athlete unless the athlete is the coach's child, grandchild, or sibling.

Chaperones shall request that the hotel block adult pay per view television channels and phone charges.

(6.0) Meetings

Team, small group, and individual meetings between coaches and athletes should generally be held in common public areas or in designated meeting rooms. When such meetings are held in individual hotel rooms, the door must remain open and a minimum of two adults must be present.