

Hosting BCLA Minor Box Provincial Championships

Frequently Asked Questions

If the BCLA Minor Directorate chooses our Association as a host, how do we know what to do?

The first thing to remember is that we are naming your entire Association as the hosts, not just the members of the teams that will participate as hosts (i.e.; peewee or midget) and you will need the help of other members of your Association. The second thing to be aware of is that you'll need to enlist one key volunteer that will become the Host Convener for the event. This person will be invited to attend a meeting in April (usually on the second Sunday) where we will share with them all the info you'll need to host a successful event.

How much will it cost to host Provincials?

BCLA pays for the cost of floor time and officials. The BCLA orders the medals, banners and mementos. BCLA also pays a portion of other costs as well (coaches meeting (up to \$250), hospitality suite (up to \$250), and program (up to \$250).

Our Association usually makes money at the tournaments we host. Can we use Provincials to raise money as well?

Absolutely; as the host association you'll be able to retain the funds from any of the extras you arrange with your volunteers. Past hosts have successfully raised money with LICENSED 50/50, LICENSED raffles, burger/concession sales, display sponsors, etc., as long as there are no conflicts with the BCLA sponsors.

Is it difficult to host Provincials?

Most hosts agree that hosting Provincials is one of the easier Tournaments that an Association can host. BCLA schedules and arranges for all the officials, we deal with the coaches and managers and any of the on-floor happenings. As host, your task is to make certain that the kids have fun.

How does our Association decide how many games to put on or when the games are?

The BCLA will advise your Association how many teams will attend Provincials and how many games there will need to be. We have a set tournament format and schedule for the appropriate number of teams and will work with you to set times to all the games.

What supplies do we need to Host and where do we get them?

BCLA will provide you with all the items for the game operations items (balls, game sheets, office supplies, etc). We also provide you with many of the other resources that you'll need (posters, schedules, etc). We have suggestions that you can use when you host the recognition ceremonies, but we also love to see new ideas ~ we work with you to make sure that the required items are done, but you still get to add the items that make it a memorable event.

I think that we may be able to pull this off, but I'm not sure if we'll have enough volunteers. How do I know how many people we'll need?

Ultimately the number of people you need will depend on the type of event you wish to host. The fewer people involved means the less off-floor happenings that will be able to take place. Realistically if you're able to get your whole Association involved early on will insure that you have a fun event for your whole association that will be a huge success. As a minimum you will

require volunteers to operate tournament headquarters, scorekeepers and timekeepers, security, a hospitality suite and a group of people that will need to track game stars (MVP's) and select tournament MVP's.

What about Accommodations for teams traveling to Provincials?

Although it's not mandatory to use this company, the BCLA Office can enlist Sport Teams Accommodations to book blocks of rooms so that teams can contact them directly to address their accommodation needs. It's a good idea to speak to local hotels/motels to get a rate as well, so that teams have options. It's important that before you apply for provincials that you know what other events may be coming to your community that could make it difficult for teams to find accommodations.

I still have another question. Who do I speak to about this?

If you have any other questions, please send an email to info@bclacrosse.com and your questions will be directed to the appropriate person that can review it and provide the necessary feedback.