

Frequently Asked Questions

Question: What do I need to do to become a member of OBA?

Answer: Follow the link under Join OBA for complete details

Question: What experience is necessary to officiate for OBA?

Answer: There is no exact amount of experience required to umpire baseball games in OBA. Most members have had a great passion for the game before they decided to become an umpire. Others have played baseball when they were younger and some still play today in local men's leagues.

Question: What requirements are necessary to be a baseball umpire?

Answer: Make sure you follow the steps of becoming an official and be in good standing with the state and OBA, possess the necessary equipment, and have a love for the game.

Question: Can I be a member of more than one association?

Answer: Yes. When you register with the FHSAA you must select Baseball twice, picking a different association each time. The first association picked will be your primary association.

Question: When can I register?

Answer: You can register at any time, however, if you miss the deadline you will be charged a \$10 late fee

Question: What areas are covered by Orange Baseball?

Answer: Orange Baseball covers all schools in Orange and Seminole counties. We also cover many schools in Lake, Osceola and Volusia counties

Question: Are there any additional fees charged by Orange Baseball?

Answer: Yes along with your fees for the state, Orange Baseball collects annual dues in the amount of \$35.

Question: What kind of training does OBA offer?

Answer: Orange baseball offers some of the finest training in the state. Once a year, we provide an intense one or two day training prior to the beginning of the season. Throughout the season, training, lectures and discussions will take place at the scheduled meetings.

Question: What equipment is needed to become an official?

Answer: The following items are required for your professionalism and protection

- polished black turf shoes for working bases
- black socks
- Black leather belt 1 3/4
- 2 sized hat with FHSAA logo (plate and base) or one combo hat

- Indicator, plate brush, ball bags
- Mask
- Shin guards
- Chest protector
- Cup (very important)
- "Plate" shoes
- 2 pairs of baseball slacks (1 plate and 1 base)
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