



National Baseball Congress 2024 LEAGUE AFFILIATION

What are the NBC Qualifying Premier Leagues and their Requirements?

In order to achieve recognition and sanctioning as an NBC Qualifying Premier League, a league must meet the following criteria:

- 1) **Submit League Affiliation Application and be accepted each year by April 3rd.**
- 2) **A Qualifying Premier League fee of \$700 must be paid to the NBC National Office prior to May 1st each year.**
- 3) **Qualifying Premier League fee of \$750 must be paid to the NBC National Office prior to May 1st each year. This fee is half the NBCWS entry fee of \$1,500. The remaining \$750 must be paid before QPL bid plays in NBCWS.**
- 4) **Only five (5) roster moves will be allowed from the teams qualifying roster for NBC World Series Play.**
- 5) Qualifying Premier Leagues must be composed of a minimum of six (6) teams and teams must play a minimum of 20 league games over a minimum, six-week schedule.
- 6) Qualifying Premier Leagues must have league officers, including a president, director of officials, and a statistician and must forward list to NBC national office.
- 7) Qualifying Premier Leagues may charge a suggested fee of \$350 in league dues and should have a constitution and by-laws which include guaranteed payment of officials and an appearance guarantee, insuring that a league team will show up for all league games within a reasonable time period prior to scheduled start or suffer a penalty.
- 8) Each team in a Qualifying Premier League must have paid the \$100 team affiliation fee to the NBC national office prior to the start of league play, and the League must be composed entirely of adult baseball clubs, which conform to NBC regulations (no current professional players allowed).
- 9) Qualifying Premier Leagues must contract with qualified umpires and scorers with experience in adult baseball.
- 10) Each team in a Qualifying Premier League is suggested to have a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 in liability insurance.
- 11) Payment must be made in full of any and all debts owed the national office for team affiliation fees, league fees, rulebooks, or any other matter. **Any debts not received by the NBC office prior to the start of the NBC World Series in a given year, will result in the debtor forfeiting their berth in the tournament if they have received a berth. If a team, or team official (Manager, player, President, etc.), chooses not to pay all debts to the NBC by year end, the debtor and/or the team, will be banned from any NBC Leagues, Tournaments, or World Series, until all debts are paid. The NBC Board may also choose a lifetime ban from the NBC.**
- 12) Qualifying Premier Leagues are expected to promote NBC events in their League territory through league website, key media and provide national office with listing of area media.

What are the Benefits of the Qualifying Premier League Affiliation?

- 1) Automatic qualification of the league champion into the NBC World Series national tournament.
- 2) League Championship Plaque
- 3) League may purchase Team Insurance through FL Dean & Associates at a discounted price.
- 4) League may purchase Diamond Baseballs at a discounted price
- 5) League may purchase apparel, uniforms, etc. through NBC partners at a discounted price.
- 6) Each Premier League is provided with a Pointstreak Platform to keep up to date rosters, schedules and stats.
- 7) League may purchase LIVE Stats Package through Pointstreak at a discounted price.
- 8) Recognition in the NBC Annual Program.
- 9) Recognition on the Official NBC Website to include contact information as well as links to league site.
- 10) Qualifying Premier Leagues Operate under their own by-laws. Outside of the criteria established here, NBC Qualifying Premier Leagues operate independently of the National Office.

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2024 NBC League Affiliation Application

NBC: Our undersigned League desires to apply for membership in the National Baseball Congress for one year as follows:

- Qualifying Premier League Affiliation** - \$700 affiliation fee enclosed
- Affiliated League (Non-Qualifying Affiliation)** - \$500 affiliation fee enclosed.

Name of League _____

League Website _____

League President _____

League Treasurer _____

League Statistician _____

League Corresponding Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Date _____ Signed (Name & Title) _____

E-mail _____

Mail or E-mail Application with list of teams and league officials, including addresses, e-mail addresses and phone numbers to:

**National Baseball Congress
300 N. Mead, Suite 109
Wichita, KS 67202
316-265-6236
katie@wichitasports.com**

Payments will not be processed unless League is accepted by the NBC. The NBC reserves the right to limit the number of Qualifying Premier Leagues and reserves all rights to sanction Leagues under its name.