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DRAFT Rules

1. The purpose of the draft is to select teams in an equitable manner, giving every manager a fair chance to select a competitive team. These rules will be reviewed with the managers before the draft. The League Commissioner will decide on any situations not specifically covered by these rules. Issues raised before or during the draft will be decided upon in a manner specified by the Commissioner. The Commissioner's decisions will be final and there will be no appeals. There will actually be two drafts for each league. One for the older age group players in the league and another for players in the younger age group.
2. Before the draft, the league coaches should come to an agreement as to the round in which each manager's child will be selected in their draft. If a manager's child is rated as being in the 1st or 2nd round of the draft, the managers will also come to an agreement as to the relative position within the round that the manager's child will be drafted. The manager's child should be placed in the 1st third, 2nd third, or 3rd third of the round in which he will be drafted. Once it's decided in which round and which third of the round that the player will be drafted, the manager will pick at random from the draft numbers in that third of the designated round. That will determine his draft positions for the entire draft. Please be objective in your assessments. The round and if necessary the position within the round will be determined by a majority vote of the managers. The league Commissioner will cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie vote. A manager's child will be his team's pick in the agreed upon round and possibly in the determined position within the round if the player is rated as being in the first or second round. The commissioner and managers should use the following guidelines to help establish the round in which a manager's child should be selected. "A" team tournament players from the previous year would normally be in the first round. "B" team tournament players from the previous year would normally be rated in the second round. Tournament team rosters from the previous year should be supplied before the draft to aid in this assessment. Tryout performance could also be used to help establish a round.
3. All siblings will be listed before the draft. If a team selects a player who has a sibling/s in the league, any other siblings will also be assigned as draft picks to that team. The selection round of the other siblings will have been determined by the ratings agreed upon under this provision. If two or more siblings are in the same draft age group, and are rated as being in the same round of the draft, the team selecting the first sibling will be assigned the second in the next round of that age group. If there are siblings remaining undrafted before the last pick of the next-to-last round, the Commissioner will assign one of the siblings to the team with the last pick in the next-to-last round and the other will be that team's first pick of the last round. This is to assure that a team doesn't have too many players. If a player is drafted in a position that would place their sibling in a round later than which they were rated, the sibling will be assigned as that team's next draft pick.



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4. Any children of team sponsors will be listed before the draft. A manager may only select one child of a Team Sponsor, unless there is a sibling (see Rule 3). After selecting the child or children of a team sponsor, a manager may not draft the child of another Team Sponsor unless the board gives its approval prior to the draft. This is to eliminate any potential problems with the sponsors that might be caused by their child playing on a team other than the one that they had sponsored. When you select the child of a Team Sponsor your team will be assigned that sponsor for the year. One exception to this would be if a sponsor is only sponsoring one team and they have two or more children playing in different leagues. This rule will only apply to the sponsor's child who is playing in the league of the sponsored team. If a sponsor has 2 or more children in either draft age group who are not siblings in the draft, the sponsor may designate only one of the players to be treated as a sponsor's child under the terms of this rule. If by the time of the draft, the sponsor has not designated which child is to be treated as the sponsor's child, the commissioner will designate which child is to be considered the sponsor's child during the draft.
All other players who were under consideration to be a sponsor's child for that sponsor will be eligible to be drafted by any team in any round.
5. A manager should not assume that he has a right to any player other than his own child or children. The Commissioner will not honor any player requests to play for a specific manager. Every player not already drafted, except a manager's child (see Rule 2), a sibling of an already drafted player (see Rule 3), or a child of a Team Sponsor, if you have previously drafted one (see Rule 4), is eligible to be drafted by any manager. If you want a particular child, draft him. Likewise, if you want a player because you want his father to be your assistant, draft the player. Remember that the purpose of the draft is to form competitive teams.
6. If a team's board-appointed manager is present for the draft, no prospective assistant coaches will be permitted to attend the actual draft.
7. If a manager is unable to attend the draft, he may send one substitute to draft in his place or he may have the League Commissioner make his selections. If the substitute has any children in the draft, they will not be treated as a manager's child, and they are eligible to be drafted by any team in any round. The substitute will be considered the acting manager and may participate in any votes held before, during, or after the draft.
8. The selection order will be reversed at the beginning of each succeeding round. The older age player draft will continue in this manner until there are no longer enough older age group players to allow for a complete round or all have been selected.
9. Any older age group players not drafted during their draft due to an incomplete last round will be added to the draft pool of the younger age group and may be drafted in any round of the younger age group draft.



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10. The draft order for the first round of the younger age group draft will be the same as in the second round of the older age group draft. This will be the case no matter what draft order was used in the last complete round of the older age group.
11. The draft order in the younger age group draft will also reverse at the beginning of each succeeding round as in the older age group draft.
12. The draft will continue in this manner until a complete final round in the younger age group is not possible or all players have been drafted in complete rounds. If all of the players have been selected in complete rounds, the draft will end at that point. When there are not enough players to allow for a complete round of the younger age players, there will be a random re-selection of numbers to reset the draft order for the last incomplete round. Number 1 will draft 1st, 2 2nd, and so on until all unselected players have been drafted, and no manager may pass on his selection in any round.
13. The league Commissioner will assign any players registering after the draft to the teams using the following method. The players should be assigned to their teams in the order in which they registered with the first player assigned to the team that would have picked next in the draft had there been more players in the draft. Additional players will be assigned in the same manner using the draft order that was used for the last round of the younger age draft until all players have been assigned to a team. The goal of the Commissioner will be to keep the number of players per team as similar as possible. Therefore, the commissioner may assign players without regard to the draft order in the event of players dropping out of the league. Once all rosters have been made equal in the number of players, the commissioner will again use the draft order in assigning players. Age will not be a factor in determining to which team a late signing player is assigned.
14. There will be no trading of draft positions before, during, or after the draft.
15. To correct any errors in drafting or registration, the Commissioner will be responsible for making roster changes.
16. Once all of the three-part official rosters have been completed and given to the Commissioner, the rosters will be considered final.
17. Managers should contact their players within five days of the draft. Let the players know which team they are playing for as soon as possible.

Draft Rules Clarifications

Rule 2



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Assume a 10-team draft. A manager has a child rated as a high 1st-round draft pick in the younger age group. He should pick at random from the bottom third of the picks in the 1st round of the older age group. In this case, he would pick from picks 8, 9, or 10 to establish his draft position within the 1st round of the older age draft. He picks 8. He would then be drafting his child in the corresponding position in the younger age draft. In this case, he would draft his child with the 3rd pick of the 1st round of the younger age draft. The following is a chart showing the breakdowns in thirds of the rounds based on the number of teams in the league.

- 7 – 1st Third, picks 1-3, 2nd Third, picks 4-5, 3rd Third, picks 6-7
- 8 – 1st Third, picks 1-3, 2nd Third, picks 4-6, 3rd Third, picks 7-8
- 9 – 1st Third, picks 1-3, 2nd Third, picks 4-6, 3rd Third, picks 7-9
- 10 – 1st Third, picks 1-4, 2nd Third, picks 5-7, 3rd Third, picks 8-10
- 11 – 1st Third, picks 1-4, 2nd Third, 5-8, 3rd Third, picks 9-11
- 12 – 1st Third, picks 1- 4, 2nd Third 5-8, 3rd Third, picks 9-12

Midget Draft Order
TOP 8A BOTTOM 8B BOTTOM 7A TOP 7B
MIDDLE 8A MIDDLE 8B MIDDLE 7A MIDDLE 7B
BOTTOM 8A TOP 8B TOP 7A BOTTOM 7B

- Coaches with 8A kids must be selected in the 8s - 1st Round
- Coaches with 8B kids must be selected in the 8s - 2nd Round
- Coaches with 7A kids must be selected in the 7s - 1st Round
- Coaches with 7B kids must be selected in the 7s - 2nd Round

Minor Draft Order



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<p>TOP 10A BOTTOM 10B BOTTOM 9A TOP 9B</p>
<p>MIDDLE 10A MIDDLE 10B MIDDLE 9A MIDDLE 9B</p>
<p>BOTTOM 10A TOP 10B TOP 9A BOTTOM 9B</p>

Coaches with 10A kids must be selected in the 10s - 1st Round
 Coaches with 10B kids must be selected in the 10s - 2nd Round
 Coaches with 9A kids must be selected in the 9s - 1st Round
 Coaches with 9B kids must be selected in the 9s - 2nd Round

<p>Little Draft Order</p>
<p>TOP 12A BOTTOM 12B BOTTOM 11A TOP 11B</p>
<p>MIDDLE 12A MIDDLE 12B MIDDLE 11A MIDDLE 11B</p>
<p>BOTTOM 12A TOP 12B TOP 11A BOTTOM 11B</p>

Coaches with 12A kids must be selected in the 12s - 1st Round
 Coaches with 12B kids must be selected in the 12s - 2nd Round
 Coaches with 11A kids must be selected in the 11s - 1st Round
 Coaches with 11B kids must be selected in the 11s - 2nd Round

Rule 4



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An 11-yr.-old brother is selected in the 2nd round, and his twin brother is also rated as a 2nd round player. The second brother would be designated as that manager's 3rd-round pick in the 11-year-old draft.

A 12-year-old sibling is rated as a 1st-round pick and his 11-year-old sibling is rated as a 6th-round pick. The team selecting the older sibling would be assigned the younger one as their 6th-round pick in the 11-year-old draft.

A 12-year-old sibling is rated as a 3rd-round pick and his 11-year-old sibling is rated as a 1st-round pick. The team selecting the older sibling would be assigned the younger one as their 1st-round pick in the 11-year-old draft.

The draft comes to the last pick in the 6th round of what will be a 7-round draft, and there is a set of brothers remaining undrafted. Team A has the last pick in the 6th round and the first pick in the 7th round. The Commissioner will assign one of the brothers as Team A's 6th round pick and the other as TEAM A's 7th round pick.

A pair of 11-year-old brothers both rated as 3rd-round players remain undrafted until the 5th round. The second brother will be assigned as the team's 6th-round pick.

Rule 5

A sponsor's team is in the Little (11 & 12 Yr.-old) League. He has a son playing in the Little League and one in the Minor (9 & 10 Yr.-old) League. Rule 5 would only apply to the child in the Little League. The child in the Minor League would be eligible to be drafted by any team with no restrictions.

Smith & Jones, Inc. are sponsoring a team. It's a business partnership and both owners of the business have a child that will be playing in the Minor League this year. The sponsor will have to designate which of the children is to be considered the "Sponsor's Child" during the draft. The other child will be eligible to be drafted by any team in any round.

Rule 10

For example, the team selecting first in the first round will select last in the second round, then first again in the third round, and so on until there are no longer enough older age group players to allow for a complete round or all have been selected.

Rule 12

Assume a six round 12-year-old draft. Team A had the 1st pick in the 1st, 3rd, and 5th rounds, and the last pick in the 2nd, 4th, and 6th rounds. The first round of the 11-year-old draft would follow the same order as the 2nd round of the 12-year-old draft. Therefore, team A would select last in the 1st round of the 11-year-old draft.

Rule 14



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Assume a 12-team league. After the 5th round of the younger age draft there are 4 unselected players. At that point a new draft order will be determined by randomly selecting numbers from 1 to 12. The managers who select numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4 will select the 4 remaining players.

Rule 15

For example, assume a 10-team league. The team drafting eighth has the last pick in the draft, the first late sign-up will be assigned to the team with the ninth pick. The second player will be assigned to the team that had the tenth pick, which is the last pick of the round. The third player will be assigned to the team that would have had the first pick in the next round. This process would continue until all players are assigned to a team.

Assume a 10-team league. The last round of the draft ended after the fifth pick. Three players register after the draft. The first player that registered would be assigned to the team that would have had the sixth pick in the last round. The second player would be assigned to the team with the seventh pick, and the third would be assigned to the team with the eighth pick. This same process would continue until all registered players have been assigned to teams.

Assume a 12-team league where all teams have 12 players. The draft ended after 5 rounds. Team 12 would normally have the next pick (the first pick in the 6th round). However, a player quits team 4 bringing their roster to 11 players. The commissioner will disregard the draft order and assign the player to team 4 so every team will again have the same number of players on their rosters. Any other late signups will then be assigned using the draft order, so Team 12 would receive the next late-signing player and so on unless other players quit which would unbalance the rosters.