

## **ARTICLE VIII      TEAM FORMATION**

### **Section 1.      Skills Assessment**

Prior to the player draft, the league will hold a skills assessment of registered players, for the purpose of evaluating a players hitting, fielding, throwing and running abilities.

### **Section 2.      Pre-Selected Players**

- i. Each team shall be permitted to select a maximum of 3 players prior to the draft. These players should include 1) the Manager's/Coach's daughter(s) 2) a pre-designated pitcher and 3) a pre-designated catcher.
- ii. Pre-selected players shall be approved by the Division Representative.
- iii. Should any of the pre-selected players have a designated 'Buddy', the Buddy shall be included as one of the 3 pre-selected players.
- iv. Under no circumstance shall a team begin the draft with more than 3 pre-selected players.

### **Section 3.      Draft**

- i. The player draft will be overseen by the Division Representative.
- ii. Each division will hold its own draft.
- iii. The draft order will be determined by random draw.
- iv. Managers will first draft players who participated in the skills assessment.
- v. Each manager, in turn, will select 1 player.
- vi. Managers selecting a player having a 'Buddy' will forfeit their next selection.
- vii. Managers may not draft any player registered in a lower division.
- viii. Managers may not draft any player not registered with the league.

### **Section 3a.      Draft of Players Participating in Skills Assessment**

- i. Players who participated in the skills assessment will be selected by draft.
- ii. The draft order will be determined by random draw.
- iii. Each manager, in turn, will select 1 player.
- iv. Managers selecting a player having a 'Buddy' will forfeit their next selection.
- v. The draft will continue in order until all players participating in the skills assessment have been selected.

### **Section 3b.      Draft of Players not participating in Skills Assessment**

- i. Players who do not participate in the skills assessment will be selected by blind draw.
- ii. Players will be grouped by previous playing experience, and their names placed face down on the draft table.
- iii. The selection will continue in the order left off following the selection of players participating in the skills assessment.

- iv. Managers selecting a player having a 'Buddy' will forfeit their next selection.
- v. The draft will continue in order until all players have been selected.

**Section 4. Late Registered Players**

- i. Players registering after the formation of teams will be assigned to the team with the fewest number of players.
- ii. In the event all available roster spots have been filled, late registered players will be placed at the bottom of the waiting list.

**Section 5. T-Ball (6u) Division**

- i. The T-Ball division will not participate in the draft.
- ii. Players will be assigned to teams by the Division Representative.
- iii. The criteria used for forming teams will be:
  - a. Attendance of the same school
  - b. Living in the same neighborhood
  - c. Parent request
  - d. Any other valid reason.

**Section 6. Player Trades**

- i. Player trades will only be made for extenuating circumstances beyond the control of the parties involved.
- ii. Trades will be made in consultation with the coaches affected.
- iii. Trades must have the President's approval.
- iv. Trades must be reported to the Registrar.