



## **OGJB Baseball Association Draft Process & Rules**

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- 1) All players, in Travel Leagues (>8 years old for softball, >9 for baseball), will be evaluated by coaches prior to the draft. Date to be set by Board of Directors.
- 2) The following players will be available for the draft, in their respective divisions:
  - a. Returning Players that have advanced to the next division.
  - b. Returning Players from a team that is contracted due to player availability.
  - c. All Players, in the event that an additional team is required due to player availability.
  - d. New, Non-Returning Players.
- 3) The following players are NOT available for the draft, in their respective divisions:
  - a. Returning Players that remain in the same division as the previous year (same team).
  - b. Sibling (Returning or Not) of Returning Player that already has a designated team (from previous year).
  - c. Children of Head Coach and his designated Assistant.
- 4) Coaches are allowed one (1) assistant coach, in advance of draft. (May be paired with Approved Assistant Coach, if unassisted)
- 5) Players WILL be drafted by AGE. The older age group will be drafted until all have been exhausted, followed by younger age group.
  - a. Softball draft will ensure all teams start with adequate pitching. (All Age Groups)
- 6) Coach(es) with lowest number of players, to start, will receive “catch up” selections, dependent on AGE.
  - a. Example 1: Joe starts with 2 players aged 9 & 10, John starts with 3 players aged 9, 10, & 10. Joe would receive first selection in draft. (because we start with older age group).
  - b. Example 2: Bill starts with 4 players aged 11, 11, 12, & 12. Bob starts with 2 players aged 11 & 12. Bob would get the first selection in the first round (12 year old) AND would select first in the second round (11 year old).
  - c. Example 3: Rick starts with 2 players aged 13 & 13. Ron starts with 2 players aged 14 & 14. Rick would choose first 2, 14 year olds, (to start), Rick would then get the first 2 picks of the 13 year old round.
- 7) When more than one team has the same number of players, draft order will be determined by card draw (Ace is High).
- 8) Trades are allowed, but are subject to approval by ALL coaches, Player Agent, and President (and Softball Director, for softball). No trade may be made after March 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Draft Examples:

The 11 & 12 Year Old Division had 3 teams last year and will have 3 teams again this year.

- All Returning players (11 years old last year) will return to their team from Last Year.
- All New, Non-Returning 12 year olds will be drafted, starting with the team with the lowest number of returnees, in order to even the age groups, in accordance with Rule 6.
- All 11 Year Olds will be drafted, minus siblings of 12 year olds, in accordance with Rule 6.

The 9 & 10 Year Old Division had 2 teams last year, but will have 3 this year.

- All Returning Players, (9 years old last year) will be placed in the draft.
- All New Players will be placed in the draft.
- The draft will proceed in accordance with Rule 6.

The 13 & 14 Year Old Division had 3 teams last year but will only have 2 teams this year.

- All Returning players (13 years old last year) will return to their team from Last Year. The team with the least number of players will be contracted. In case of tie, lack of returning coach will be contracted. Otherwise, the Player Agent will determine which team will be contracted.
- All Returning Players (13 years old last year) from Contracted Team will be placed in the draft with all New, Non-Returning 14 year Olds.
- The draft will proceed in accordance with Rule 6.

## Coaching Assignments:

- All Coaches that are returning to the same division as previous year will be given right of first refusal to coach that team. This assumes the passing of the mandatory, yearly background check.
- Returning Teams that do not have a Returning Coach will be assigned a new coach at the draft:
  - o If more than 1 returning team is in need of a new coach, the new coaches will “draft” from the available teams with draft order determined by high card draw.