



KIMBERTON YOUTH ATHLETIC LEAGUE

10U and 12U Softball Draft Rules



I. DRAFT NIGHTS

- A. The Executive Board will determine the Draft Nights for all divisions.

II. TEAM COMPOSITION

- A. The Executive Board will determine:
 - 1. The roster sizes
 - 2. The minimum number of players on each team
 - 3. The admission of any player playing “up” to a higher division.

III. DRAFT ELIGIBILITY

- A. All Divisions:
 - 1. All registered returning players already rostered on a team from the previous year will remain on the same team (within the same age division), unless one of the situations arise as follows;
 - a) Due to unforeseen circumstances the team from which the returning player was previously rostered is dropped or discontinued.
 - (1) All registered returning players from the dropped team will enter the draft and be immediately eligible for draft from another division team. Said players will not be required to attend a tryout.

IV. ADDING A TEAM

- A. Prior to the start of each season the Softball Commissioner will evaluate the anticipated number of players for the coming season. She/He will then make a recommendation to the Executive Board as to whether additional teams will be added to any of the divisions.
- B. If it is determined that a team needs to be added to any of the divisions, the Executive Board must approve the addition prior to the respective drafts.
- C. The new team(s), at the start of each division’s draft, will be “equalized” in numbers with the existing teams. The make-up of said equalization will be accomplished prior to the first round of the draft.
- D. The new team(s) will be awarded draft picks until they have a roster equal to the other division teams. Considerations as to the makeup of

these picks (i.e. pitchers and catchers) will be at the discretion of the Softball Commissioner with approval by the Executive Board.

V. DRAFT ORDER & PROCEDURES

- A. If a playoff format was utilized to determine a league champion for the prior year, then the division champions will select last. The remaining positions will be determined by the prior year final standings
- B. If a playoff format was not utilized to determine a league champion, then the draft order will be determined by random selection.
- C. The first picks in the draft will be determined by the commissioner so as to ensure that each team has at least two (2) pitchers and one (1) catcher. The draft pool will be examined and picks will be given to teams in an order that ensures parity for the league. After this, the determined draft-order will resume.

VI. ADDITIONAL CLARIFICATIONS

- A. Trading of Players is NOT permitted.
- B. With the exception of 8U; “play with friend”, “car pool”, etc. requests are NOT honored. Parents were explicitly explained the rules at registration. It is the individual Managers’ choice to draft to accommodate such requests.
- C. Parent requests to have their child play up a division **MUST** be in writing prior to the draft. These players will attend the Evaluation held prior to the season. Final determinations on whether these players move “up” or not will be made by the Softball Commissioner with Executive Board approval.

- D. Only the managers and assistant coaches currently on the team’s roster are permitted at the draft. **These rules were reviewed and approved by the Executive Board of Directors on 3/15/2021.**



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