

# **DRAFT RULES**

## **2026**

1. Team names will be chosen by Seniority coach to 1st year coach.
2. Draft order will be determined by coaches pulling a number out of a hat.
3. Snake Draft  
#1 coach to last coach, last coach to first coach, repeat until all players are accounted for.
4. Players that try-out are the only players available to choose from in drafts.
5. Players that do not try-out will be hat picked, only after all the players that tried out are all drafted.
6. Play-up player requirements:
  - > Must have played at least 1 season in the original age division.
  - > Shall try-out for the division they want to play up for.
  - > Play-up players must be drafted in the top 2 rounds. (If not, player will be moved back down to original age division)
  - > Coaches can not move up an age division to automatically move their kid up.
7. Coach's kid will automatically be assigned to team in the last round after the hat picks are complete. (Unless coach kid is a first-year play-up player, in this case they shall go number 1).  
*\* If a coach has siblings in a draft, the younger kid will go in the 4th round. Unless first year play-up player, then siblings will go in 1<sup>st</sup> round for PUP, and older kid will go in last round after hat picks.*
8. If the coach kid is a play-up player from the previous season, they will be considered the older age of that division and will go in the 3rd round.
9. **Assistant** coach's kids will go in the **1<sup>ST</sup> ROUND**. With the **exception** of Coach kid is a first year PUP, then assistant coach kid will go in 2<sup>nd</sup> round. Play up players can **not** be locked in as a Asst Coach kid.
10. There **SHALL only be 1 Assistant coach's** kid assigned to a team before drafts. Unless Assistant has siblings, then 1 sibling will be in the 1<sup>st</sup> round, and the other sibling will be in the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> round depending on the coach's kid age.
11. In the event a coach does not have a child playing on the team they shall receive the last hat pick to accomdate the offset.
12. Will only be able to draft 1 more older player than younger players.
13. **Minor , Major and Senior Boys/Girls** will have option to draft **Pitchers & Catchers first**, then proceed w/ draft.
14. Trades shall be finalized no more than 5mins after the draft ends.
- 15 . Any coach that can not be present needs to send Asst Coach to draft. If neither is present a board member will draft there team.

**Ride considerations are solely up to the coaches who drafted the players.**