

ASHFORD RECREATION TRY OUTS/DRAFT RULES FOR BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL

- 1) The Recreation Director or appointed personnel shall oversee all draft rules and procedures.
- 2) Coaches will oversee the try outs.
- 3) Try outs will consist of throwing, running, and fielding/catching.
- 4) Once try outs are concluded, coaches will immediately proceed to office to start draft selection.
- 5) The order of the draft will be pre-determined by the Recreation Director or appointed personnel. Each Head Coach will have their name drawn from a hat and this will determine the order of the draft. If there are only 2 teams in the division, then a coin toss can determine the order of the draft.
- 6) At the official player draft, there will be a limit of two representatives for each team, of which only the Head Coach will be the spokesman.
- 7) Each team is required to request (2) picks. These (2) picks must include the Head Coach's own child and their assistant coach's child. If the Head Coach or assistant coach has multiple kids in the division, then the picks will count as their 1st picks and they cannot pick until all teams have an equal number of picks.
- 8) If a coach is requested by a parent, then it must be approved by the Recreation Director or appointed personnel, and all Head Coaches in the division. If agreed, the request will count towards as their 1st picks and they cannot pick until all teams have an equal number of picks. ***Coach will only be allowed 1 request per draft.*** If disagreed, the player will go back into the draft for selection.
- 9) The format of the draft will be a "snake draft". For example, for league with 4 teams, we would draft 1-4 and then go back 4-1. This means that one coach will receive back to back picks for every round.
- 10) Players that do not attend the try outs will go into a hat pick at the end of selection of players in attendance. Once the draft has concluded with selection of players present, the players not in attendance will go into a hat, and the coach with the next selection in the draft will select 1 pick from the hat.
- 11) The draft will conclude when the last player has been drafted. This may result in some teams having more/less total amount of players.
- 12) Each team will have the minimum amount of players to be on a team.

- 13) Siblings that are registered in the same league must be picked onto the same team. For example, Jack Doe (7 years old) & John Doe (8 years old) must be taken at the same time for 8u Baseball and would be your pick for both the current round as well as the next round.
- 14) Trading picks or players is strictly prohibited.
- 15) Children are not permitted to attend the draft. If there is a babysitting issue, children will need to wait outside of where the draft is taking place.
- 16) If a player is registered after the draft , that person will be placed on the team with the next pick.
- 17) Immediately following the draft, the Head Coach will contact players to notify him of which team he is on.
- 18) Once the Head Coach has met with his/her team, they must turn in their roster by the 1st practice with Team name, Jersey numbers, and Team colors.
- 19) **IF A PARENT DOES NOT AGREE WITH THE TEAM HIS/HER CHILD IS PLACED ON, THAT PARENT MUST NOTIFY THE RECREATION DIRECTOR WITHIN 24 HOURS IN WRITING STATING WHY HIS/HER CHILD CANNOT BE PLACED ON THE TEAM. THE RECREATION DIRECTOR WILL THEN MAKE THE OVERALL DECISION TO CHANGE OR REMAIN THE SAME.**