

Regulations for Choosing Major, Minor, and Rookie Teams, 2011 Warren Park Youth Baseball **OFFICIAL RULES***, Approved by Board Unanimously, November 7, 2010

1) Immediately after registration is complete, but before the draft, each coach will be able to choose up to seven core players to play on his team. For 2011 only, this number will be increased to eight.

2) With the following exceptions, those seven (for 2011, eight) core players must have played with the coach the previous year.

a) If a parent or guardian has marked that s/he wishes for siblings to play on the same team, then a coach must pick all, or none, of the siblings as core players. This rule will also apply to players living in the same household with the same guardian. All siblings will count toward the seven (2011, eight) protected players. (In a situation where siblings are eligible to be protected by different coaches, and more than one coach wishes to protect them, the siblings' family gets to choose which coach to play with.)

b) A player new to the league, or who did not play the previous year, may be selected as part of a coach's core players assuming that the child indicates on registration form the desire to play for that coach.

c) A coach may protect the child or children of one assistant coach. That child/those children will count toward the seven (2011, eight) protected players.

d) A player who played with a coach the year before last (for 2011, that means in 2009) may be selected as a protected player if the coach from the previous year (in this case, 2010) does not choose to protect her or him.

3) Players who have not been selected as core players will be placed in a general draft, to be held as soon as possible after registration.

4) A player who does not wish to be protected as a core player must mark on the registration form that s/he does not want to play with her/his coach from the previous year. The player will then go into the draft. That player may still be chosen by her/his previous year's coach in the draft. Exemptions will only be granted in exceptional circumstances where the player or her/his family can demonstrate that playing for that coach is likely to produce genuine hardship. The appeal, which must be filed before the conclusion of registration, will be decided by the league's executive committee or, if necessary, by the entire board.



5) A coach who is taking over a team different from the one that s/he coached the previous year (which is subject to approval by the board) may protect seven (for 2011, eight) players total from her/his old team and her/his new team.

6) A coach new to Warren Park Youth Baseball League, or who has been invited by the board to coach by the WPYBL board, may protect her/his own child(ren), as well as the child(ren) of one assistant coach. A new coach may also protect players new to the league (see 2b above), bringing her/his total number of protected players up to seven (eight for 2011).

7) After team rosters are established at the draft, coaches will have one week to do one-on-one trades for players. Such trades will need to be approved by the division supervisor (or, if the division supervisor is a coach in his/her division, by the league president and the head player evaluator of the league), who will make sure that the trades are fair. Rosters will not be finalized, and may not be announced, until after the conclusion of the trading period.