

LEAGUE TEAMS SELECTION PROCESS

FORMATION OF LEAGUE TEAMS

1. League Teams will be formed through a draft system by coaches following two (2) on-ice sessions.
2. League skates will be conducted by designates arranged by the Executive,
3. The number of teams in each age category will be decided by Dauphin Minor Hockey Executive.

THE LEAGUE DRAFT

1. The purpose of the draft is to implement an orderly process for selecting competitively balanced teams within each age category.
2. On a pre-determined date, all Head coaches and Managers (up to head coach) of that age category will gather to select teams.
3. Present at each draft will be a draft chairman (Board Liaison) and a recorder. The chairman for each draft will implement the draft rules and check off the players selected. The recorder will record the team selections on forms provided.
4. Order of Procedure for Team Selections
 - A. Selection of players will take place by drawing numbers with the person drawing the lowest number having first choice of position in the minor age group order of the draft, the person with the second lowest number has the next choice of all remaining positions and so on. In contrast, the highest number will have first choice position in the major age group order of the draft, the person with the second highest number has the next choice of all remaining positions and so on and so on. The draft will be conducted in a snake format, the last person to choose in each round will pick first in the following round.
 - B. The recorder will write the names of the protected players on the board vertically and the names of teams horizontally creating rows and columns. NOTE: All players who did not attend a League skate will be rated by coaches (to be named) and will be selected in the regular rounds.
 - C. Protected players for the purposes of this document are siblings of Head Coach and Manager.
 - D. Protected players will be identified on the players' lists at the time of the tryout sessions. Any player not so identified will not be a protected player at the draft. If the protected player is a goaltender (Atom, Peewee, Bantam, and Midget), that player must be selected in the goaltenders round. Before the draft begins, Head coach and Managers may only protect their own off spring. Non parent coaches are not eligible to protect players.
 - E. No other players can be protected for any other reason except for siblings
 - F. Once protected players are identified the Liaison will identify which draft pools they come from and have head coaches pick players to even things out. (For instance, if protected player is ranked a 1 and no protected player is ranked a 1 on the other team (s), a player ranked a 1 will be selected to balance teams.) Teams will start with highest rated player of major age group and work down to lowest ranked player of major age group. After major age group is completed, teams will start with highest rated player of minor age group and work down to lowest ranked player of minor age group. If more than one team must balance out a protected player of the same rating, the order will be

determined by Section A as outlined above. Once completed the remainder of the unprotected player draft will commence.

- G. Goaltenders Round will be done first for Atom, Peewee, Bantam, and Midget age groups. All goaltenders' names will be in this round. The goalie draft will continue as long as at the beginning of each round there is enough goalies for each team in the draft to select one. Any goaltenders not selected in the Goaltender's round will be placed in the Skaters Rounds. The order of drafting goaltenders will follow the order of drafting minor players as outlined in Section A.
- H. Skaters Round will be done second. Players will be selected according to the ages. In the level where there is no rep team, the order will be major age draft then minor age draft. If there is a rep team, then the order will be major age draft then minor age draft. First choice will lead the first round and last choice will lead the second round as the order reverses and so on for rounds thereafter. Players of the next age level will then be drafted. Last choice will lead the first round and first choice will lead the second round as the order reverses and so on. This process will repeat itself until all players are picked.
- I. In the event of challenges or disputes, the decision of the Liaison shall prevail. Dauphin Minor Hockey has the right up to 3 weeks after the draft to interchange players on teams to create a competitive balance.
- J. Sweaters will be chosen by drawing numbers with the lowest number choosing first, the next lowest number choosing second and so on.
- K. Late registrations will be assigned to the next team in order of the draft. The Liaison reserves the right to place that player on another team to maintain competitive balance.