

# COMMON-POOL DRAFT METHOD REQUEST

## PART ONE

This request to use the Common-Pool Draft Method shall be completed in full ANNUALLY, and all conditions apply. PART ONE should be completed only once per season. PART TWO must be completed for each level of play checked in Section B below.

**Section A**

League/Division Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID No. \_\_\_\_\_

League/Division Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Section B**

Levels of play in which the Common Pool Draft Method is requested (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> Minor League Baseball	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor League Softball
<input type="checkbox"/> Little League (Major) Baseball	<input type="checkbox"/> Little League Major Softball
<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate (50/70) League Baseball	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior League Softball
<input type="checkbox"/> Junior League Baseball	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior League Softball
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior League Baseball	

**Tournament Play:** Participants assigned to a split league/division shall only be eligible for selection to that split league/division's tournament team. (Exception: the Regional Director has approved, in writing, a combination of the split league/division for tournament play for the current season.)

**Trades:** There shall be no trades between teams in different split leagues/divisions.

**Replacements:** Vacancies on Little League (Major) teams during the regular season may only be filled by participants from Minor League teams in the SAME split league/division.

**Statement of Understanding:** The local league shall maintain strict observation of this draft system to prevent abuses that may result in an unequal distribution of talent between the split leagues/divisions. If approved, this draft system will be in force for the above identified season only. If this system is requested and approved in subsequent years, the split league/division having the first overall draft choice will alternate each year. This method may not be used unless the league receives written permission from the Region Director.

**We certify that all of the information on this request is true and accurate, and that our Little League will abide by all the items contained herein. We also understand that failure to follow all requirements could result in revocation of our league's charter privileges and/or disqualification of our tournament team(s) by action of the Charter Committee.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
President's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Player Agent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**I certify that the information noted on this request is true and accurate. I also agree to assist the local league in its implementation to ensure that the draft is conducted properly.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
District Administrator's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### FORWARD SIGNED COPY TO REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

**This form is not valid without the dated signatures of ALL parties. If this request is approved, the League President and District Administrator will be informed in writing.**

**Received by Regional Director (Initials):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## PART TWO

(A separate copy of this page must be completed for each level of play checked in Section B on Part ONE)

Level of Play: \_\_\_\_\_  
(ex. Minor League Softball, Little League (Major) Baseball)

### League/ Division Alignment and Drafting Teams:

The selection of players for the various teams within a league shall be in compliance with the Little League Draft Selection System as detailed in the Operating Policies section in the back of the rule book. *NOTE: Once a candidate is league age 9 years old or is enrolled for the first time after the candidate attains the age of league age 9 and is assigned and/or drafted into a specific league or division (Example - American/National), the candidate cannot transfer to the opposite league/division during their entire Little League career. This means that a candidate assigned and/or drafted to a minor league or Little League (Major) league team in the American League/Division cannot transfer to a National League/Division team. If the player moves between leagues/divisions, they will be deemed ineligible for tournament play. If a league decides to redraft in any form or trade players, this note still applies.*

### Player Selection System Being Used: (circle one)

**Plan A   Plan B   Plan C**

League must submit rosters for all teams listed below. Rosters must be submitted to the Regional office two weeks after draft is complete.

League/Division: \_\_\_\_\_  
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League/Division: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Method for Operation in First Year of Split League/Division Format (Little League (Major) Divisions Only)

One league/division shall be comprised of the teams that finished the previous season in 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, and 9th place, etc. The other league/division is comprised of teams that finished the previous season in 2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, and 10th place, etc. The draft order is in reverse order of the previous year's finish. Draft order is the same for each round (1,2,3,1,2,3). For example, here is the draft order for 3 teams in each league/division:

#### First Round:

- 1) 3rd place American League/Division team then 3rd place National League/Division team
- 2) 2nd place American League/Division team then 2nd place National League/Division team
- 3) 1st place American League/Division team then 1st place National League/Division team

#### Second Round:

- 1) 3rd place American League/Division team then 3rd place National League/Division team
  - 2) 2nd place American League/Division team then 2nd place National League/Division team
- and so on ...

### Method for Operation in Subsequent Year of Split League/Division Format

If the league/division was split the previous season and the league uses Player Selection Method Plan A, then teams from the previous season remain in the same league/division the following season and they retain their returning players. *Exception: If the number of teams is reduced/expanded players remain in the league/division but may end up on different teams.* There shall be no transfer of teams or players from one league/division to the other. The draft order will be the same as the example above but will alternate league/division year to year.

If the league/division was split the previous season and the league re-drafts each year (Player Selection Method Plan B, Alternate Plan B or Plan C) the teams from the previous season are disbanded. The league shall determine the number of teams in each in each league/division. A random draw will determine which league/division drafts first. Managers in each league/division will be randomly drawn for draft order. Returning major division players are only eligible to be drafted to the same league/division they participated in during the previous season. Players league age 10-12 who previously participated in the minor league are the property of the league/division they were drafted to in the previous year and could only be drafted to a Little League (Major) team in that same league/division. All Minor League divisions are required to use the system below, as Minor League teams must be disbanded at the end of each season.

Draft picks alternate between the league/division. Draft order is serpentine (ex: 1,2,3,3,2,1) as follows:

#### First Round:

- 1) League/Division A Team 1 then League/Division B Team 1
- 2) League/Division A Team 2 then League/Division B Team 2
- 3) League/Division A Team 3 then League/Division B Team 3

#### Second Round:

- 3) League/Division A Team 3 then League/Division B Team 3
  - 2) League/Division A Team 2 then League/Division B Team 2
- and so on..

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President's Initial's/Date

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Player Agent's Initials/Date

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District Admin's Initial's/Date

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Regional Dir's Initials/Date