

How Teams are formed at Watsonville American Little League

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Ages mentioned reflect league ages. League age is determined by the player's age on April 31st of the upcoming spring season. So if the player is currently age 6 but has a birthday on March 25th, the player's league age is actually 7.

T-BALL

T-Ball teams will consist of 5, 6 and 7 year olds (we strongly encourage 7 year olds to play farm (AA). We try to give each team a balanced number of each age group. We also try to accommodate requests for carpools, friends, preferred coaches, babysitters, etc. Since we have so many different factors to consider, sometime requests cannot be filled. Requests must be made in writing. The number of children in the lower levels, and the availability of manager/coach volunteers also affect team selections. Late registrants are not likely to have their requests filled.

Farm Division (AA)

AA farm division is a Machine Pitch division consisting of 6, 7 & 8 year olds. 6 year olds must have one year of WALLBB T-Ball to be eligible to play. We try to give each team a balanced number of each age group. We also try to accommodate requests for carpools, friends, preferred coaches, etc. Since we have so many different factors to consider, sometimes requests cannot be filled. Requests must be made in writing. The number of children in the lower levels, and the availability of manager/coach volunteers also affect team selections. Late registrants are not likely to have their requests filled.

MINOR DIVISION (AAA)

Minor (AAA) division is a Player Pitch division consisting of 9, 10 and 11 year old players. In this division, the team managers draft teams. The draft takes place confidentially each year and team managers take turns picking players until their allotted slots are filled. Teams are formed solely on the managers' selections of players in the draft.

Special Note: MINOR players that were eligible for the majors draft (not opted out), are still eligible to be pulled up during the season to replace players that have been released from a Major team. If you do not want your child to be pulled up during the season, you must opt them out of the draft in writing before conclusion of WALL tryouts. If a player opts out they are ineligible to be pulled up to Majors.

MAJOR DIVISION BASEBALL

All 10, 11 and 12 year olds who have participated in tryouts are eligible for consideration for the Major Division. In this division, the team managers draft teams. Teams are formed solely on the managers selections of players they wish to select for their team, based on their team's needs. Each player selected to a Major team is titled (will remain on that team from year to year), until he/she becomes too old for that division. In this way, some teams have more openings each year than others. The draft takes place confidentially each year and team managers take turns picking players until their allotted slots are filled. Players not selected for a Major team are eligible for MINOR division draft.

Special Note: All 12 year olds must be drafted on Major teams.

NO PLACEMENT REQUESTS ARE TAKEN IN MAJORS.