

2020 FALL YOUTH SPORTS DRAFT RULES

- I. Only the head coach & 1 assistant coach are permitted to be at the draft.
- II. The Stephenville Parks and Recreation Department will conduct the draft. Draft order will be determined by blind/random draw the night of the draft. ****Each team will be allowed one pick in the first round of draft.** After the first round the draft order will alternate each round (i.e., first round 1-10, second round 10-1, third round 1-10.....snake draft) with each team coach joining the draft during the first round they are eligible (teams must sit out number of players on team – returners and pickups).
- III. All new players to a league will go into a player's draft. The player draft will be conducted according to age. SPARD will assign age numbers to be distributed as equally as possible amongst each team. A team cannot have more than 8 players of the oldest age in the division that they are in. Within 2 days, each coach will be issued a copy of their roster and it is their responsibility to contact all members of their teams within 5 days or SPARD can release their information to legal guardian of the player.
- IV. If a head coach or assistant coach returns to the same division as the preceding year, they are considered a "returning team". If a coach or an assistant coach is moving up a division they are considered a "new team".
- V. If a player is protected by the same coach/team from the preceding year and does not want to return to that team or wants to avoid being protected by that team, the legal guardian must complete a Hat form stating the reason for not wanting to return to that team at time of their registration. These players will automatically be placed in the hat. SPARD will protect them from returning to the same team as last year, if the same coach is coaching that team. SPARD will not protect them from a team name.
- VI. All players, with the exceptions of those that have filled out a hat form, are draftable. There will be no coach look this year, therefore, every participant is draftable. SPARD will not have stats on any player.
- VII. A team is entitled to (4) protected players, prior to the draft; however, no team will have more than (4) protected players on their roster at any time. The player's parent/guardian must sign the protected player card (date & deadline will be assigned by SPARD). **However, two brothers/sisters, the same age moving into the league the same year will count as (2) protected players, if a team does not have (2) spots available neither sibling is eligible to be a exempt/pickup player.**
- VIII. All coaches will sit out the same number of rounds in the draft as the number of players he/she on their team (protected player(s) included). This should not exceed (4) players. All coaches will follow the same draft rules. Maximum returning/protected players are set by governing body/SPARD.

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- IX. Coaching positions on teams that do not have a returning coach will be filled by: Officially listed assistant from last year, parent of child participating on team last year or other volunteer assigned by SPARD (SPARD has the final decision on coaches).
- X. Siblings may play on the same team (playing ages must meet governing body rules). Players who permanently live in the same household will also be permitted to play together (must be marked on their registration form). If these players attend coach look they will be drafted as a set, if not they will be placed in the Hat and draw as a set (drafting/drawing siblings will only count as one draft choice). Note: A brother/sister moving up into the league from a younger division will be placed on the same team as their older brother/sister is returning to (this does not count as a protected player). If you draft one of the siblings earlier on in the draft, the second sibling will be placed as your final pick.
- XI. All draft rules and procedures are subject to changes from Governing bodies/SPARD.