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## House League Team Selection Policy

### Purpose:

The goal of the House League Player Evaluation and Selection process is to:

- Have a consistent process across all divisions
- Ensure fair and balanced teams
- Eliminate any risk of selection advantages between experienced vs. new coaches.

### Player Evaluation:

- The selection of House League rosters will begin with a one hour evaluation practice.
- The players will be evaluated by the Head Coach or designate of each house league team for that age group and by the Director of Player and Coach Development (DPCD) or designate.
- Numbers will be assigned to each player.
- Evaluation sheets will be provided to each evaluator prior to the skate and collected by the Director upon completion.

### Ratings:

- Players will be rated 5 as the most skilled to 1 with the least.
- Evaluator scores should include at least four players rated at 5 and four players rated at 1. This will ensure the top four and bottom four players can be evenly distributed on the four teams.
- If a player is absent from the evaluation skate the player will be assigned a rating based on previous hockey experience. If previous experience cannot be determined the player will be rated 3.
- All players who played Rep/Competitive in the previous hockey season will be ranked a 5 regardless of the previous association or team.
- The rating results will be collected and an average score will be calculated for each player by the DPCD.
- The ratings of players will be held in highest confidence and not shared in any capacity.

### Player Reservation:

Head Coaches will be allowed to reserve players for coaching/trainer purposes only. This might include their player plus the player of an assistant coach and/or a trainer for a maximum total of three players.

Head Coach reservations must be approved by the DPCD and can be refused if the request would give an unfair advantage to one particular team (ex: all three players are the top ranked in the league)



Player requests shall be submitted in writing by email to the DPCD 24 hours before the evaluation skate. Requests will only be considered in special circumstances and will be determined on a case by case basis.

Balanced team formation will take priority over requests.

**Team Selection:**

Team Selection will be completed by the DPCD based on the evaluation skate results and head coach feedback.

**During the Team Selection process the DBCD will follow the following guidelines:**

1. Placement of players will begin at skill level 5 followed by 4, 3, 2 and will conclude at skill level 1.
2. Major and Minor age players will be separated to ensure age is evenly distributed on all teams.
3. At each skill level selection Major players will be selected first followed by Minor players.
4. Once all players have been placed on teams Head Coaches will be assigned to each team.
5. Reserved players will then be moved beginning with the daughter of the Head Coach followed by Assistant Coach/Trainer and approved special teammate requests.
6. When a player is moved from one team to another a player of equal skill rating will take their place. If a Head coach-reserved player is moved to a team where there is no equal ranked player, two players can be exchanged to provide balance 5 and 1 are moved and replaced by a 4 and 2, for example. Goalies will not be rated and will be placed randomly.