



Oceanside Minor Baseball Association

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Oceanside Minor Baseball House Team Selection Process for Tadpole (9u), Mosquito (10u,11u), Pee Wee (13u), Bantam (15u) and Midget (18u).

OMBA uses an evaluation & draft system.

Evaluation: Once the coordinator has their divisions contact list from the registrar, they will set up 1 or 2 evaluation events so each player can be individually evaluated in order to help ensure best efforts for balanced teams.

Each evaluation will have 4 stations:

- 1. Hitting.** Mosquito and above will be from front soft toss. 9u from a tee
- 2. Pitching**
- 3. Infield (ground balls)**
- 4. Outfield (fly balls)**

1 or 2 coaches/volunteers can run each station. Each player will be scored 1 to 10 at each station. Its important to be consistent with every player with the drills. One coach should do the scoring at each station.

For example.

Coach A scores all players at Station 1.

Coach B scores all players at Station 2.

Coach C scores all players at Station 3.

Coach D scores all players at Station 4.

This will help ensure consistent scoring. At the end of the evaluations. Each player will have a score in all 4 stations and an overall score out 40. All scores sheets and information are then handed into the Division coordinator.

Depending on the size of the division this may only take 1 evaluation event. Bigger divisions may take 2. If the evaluations are done quickly and all the information is in the coaches can run some skills and drills to finish off the event.

Team sizes. Ideally each team would have 12/13 players per team. We try to avoid large teams (14+) because it reduces players time on the field. If a team is "short" they can always borrow a player for defence and have a batting line up of 8. Based on the number of players and team sizes, the coordinator can choose head coaches.

The coordinator will then set up a time to draft the teams. The only people in attendance at the draft are the coordinator for the division, head coaches and the appointed "crosschecker". There are no predetermined coaching or players pairings allowed. Assistant coaches are chosen after the draft is finalized by the head coach from their team.



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The crosschecker is the President of OMBA or an assignee. If the President is unable to attend the Vice President, board member or experienced/ qualified person may attend in his/her place. The crosschecker's role is to ensure the draft is done according to the rules and that the process is fair. The crosschecker will oversee the entire process and will have any final decisions.

All players evaluations and overall number are displayed for the coaches to see. For example, each player's name, evaluation scores, birth year and overall score are put on the board using a sticky note or something similar.

Player Slip (sticky)

John Doe 2010

Hitting 7

Pitching 7

Infield 7

Outfield 7

Overall 28/40

Arrange each head coach, their name, and their player/child (if they have one) already assigned to their team.

Example: 48 player Division 4 teams

Coach "A"	Coach "B"	Coach "C"	Coach "D"
John Doe 2010	Jeff Jones 2010	Mike Smith 2010	Bob Bell 2009
Hitting 7	Hitting 1	Hitting 4	Hitting 9
Pitching 7	Pitching 1	Pitching 4	Pitching 9
Infield 7	Infield 1	Infield 4	Infield 10
Outfield 7	Outfield 1	Outfield 4	Outfield 10
Overall 28/40	Overall 4/40	Overall 16/40	Overall 38/40

Who picks first and the draft order is determined by the crosschecker. In the case above it would be easy. Coach "B", Coach "C", Coach "A" and then Coach "D" in the first round. This would be based on players already assigned. The lowest score would pick first. If the scores of the coach's player/child players are relatively close drawing names may be an option as well for drafting order. Once the order of the draft is determined the order would go 1,2,3,4,4,3,2,1,1...until all players are chosen. For example, in a four-team league, the first coach picking would pick 1st, 8th, 9th and 16th picks through the first four rounds.

Once a coach picks a player, move that players "sticky" to under the appropriate team. This way everyone can see what players have been picked and in what order.

Once all the players are chosen an effective way to check that the teams are close in overall score is to add up the overall player scores for each team and that will determine the team score. The team scores should be relatively close.



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Now that each coach has their team, the coordinator can make any adjustments as required and move/trade players with the coach's approval. For example: two siblings drafted onto separate teams. One may have to move to be with other for travel. Any movement after the team selection should be agreed upon by everyone. The cross checker will have the final decision.

Once the teams are finalized the Head Coaches can now pick no more than 2 assistant coaches from the parents on their team.

Important draft notes.

1. Make sure you draft pitchers early. Ensuring all strongest pitchers are spread evenly among teams is crucial.
2. Keep in mind potential assistant coaches and score keepers from your potential parent group.
3. Its good idea to take a picture of the final selections. Please do not share player evaluations with anyone.
4. Ideal team sizes for house are 12/13 players

Please ensure all the rules are followed and if you have a question please ask. This entire process is to try to have evenly matched competitive teams and promote fair play.

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