

**GLOCESTER LITTLE LEAGUE  
CONSTITUTION & BY LAWS**

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**GLOCESTER LITTLE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION  
AND BY LAWS**

**LEAGUE I.D. NUMBER: 02-390-411**

**ARTICLE 1 – NAME:**

This organization shall be known as the Gloucester Little League. For the purpose of this constitution the term "league" shall mean Gloucester Little League. The term "little league" shall mean Little League Inc. of Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

**ARTICLE 2 – AUTHORITY:**

The league was established in 1969 as the Gloucester Little League as a charter member of Little League Inc. of Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

**ARTICLE 3 – OBJECTIVE:**

**SECTION 1**

The objective of this league shall be to implant firmly in the children of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority, so that they may be well adjusted, stronger and happier children and will grow to be good, decent, healthy and trustworthy citizens.

**SECTION 2**

To achieve this objective, the league will provide a supervised program under the Rules and Regulations of Little League. All directors, Officers and members shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skills or of the winning of games is secondary, and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance. In accordance with section 501-(c)-(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the league shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of competitive baseball/softball games. No part of the net earnings shall incur to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

**SECTION 3**

It is the intent of the League to comply with this constitution and with the Little League Rules and Regulations to the fullest extent possible. Any deviations must be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. The League shall be self-governing, and this constitution shall be the foundation for directing the affairs of the League and the board of directors shall be the primary decision making body. Only when determined by a majority vote of the board of directors, and in exceptional circumstances will the board of directors use external sources for assistance in resolving disputes and other League affairs.

**ARTICLE 4 – MEMBERSHIP**

The board of directors will establish a membership roster annually for the purposes of participation in the League business, including special meetings and elections. Such membership rosters shall include:

- 1) Parents or guardians of children in the League.
- 2) Managers, Coaches, Umpires, and Sponsors of the League.
- 3) Any interested Gloucester residents who have applied for membership with the League Secretary.

**ARTICLE 5 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**SECTION 1**

The League shall be governed by a Board of Directors elected in accordance with Little League rules. The Board of Directors is authorized to establish policies and procedures for administering the affairs of the League in accordance with this Constitution.

**SECTION 2**

The officers of the Board of Directors for the League shall include: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Player Agent.

It is also recommended that that the following offices be filled: Sr. League Vice President, Umpire and Chief, Equipment Manager, Parents Auxiliary, Managers Representative, and Representative At Large. The duties and of these positions will be described in the article entitled “Duties and Powers of the board”.

**SECTION 3**

The management of the property and affairs of the League shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

**SECTION 4**

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the Annual Meeting and on such days thereafter as shall be determined by the Board.

Only members of the Board of Directors may make motions and vote at meetings of the Board of Directors. However, the Board of Directors may invite, admit and recognize guests for presentations or comments during Board meetings.

**SECTION 5**

The Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint such standing committees as it shall determine appropriate and to delegate such powers to them as the Board shall deem advisable and which it may properly delegate.

The Board may adopt such Rules and Regulations for the conduct of it’s meetings and the management of the League as it may deem proper, provided such rules and regulations do not conflict with this constitution.

The Board shall have the power by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regular Board or Special Board meeting to discipline, suspend or remove any Director or Officer or Committee member of the League in accordance with the procedure set forth in article III, section 4 (a,b).

## **SECTION 6**

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all Board of Directors meetings, except where it conflicts with this constitution of the League.

## **ARTICLE 6: DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE BOARD**

### **SECTION 1 – PRESIDENT**

The President shall:

- 1) Schedule and preside over all meetings of the League.
- 2) Decide questions of order.
- 3) Preside over player drafts and all-star selection process of all leagues.
- 4) Oversee the activities of other Board members.
- 5) Act as an official representative of the League on all matters.
- 6) Assign duties to other Directors and/or members.
- 7) Appoint an election committee to administer annual elections.

### **SECTION 2 – VICE PRESIDENT**

The Vice President shall:

- 1) Preside in the absence of the President.
- 2) Work with other Officers and committee members
- 3) Be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- 4) Carry out such duties and assignments as may be delegated by the President.

### **SECTION 3 – TREASURER**

The Treasurer shall:

- 1) Sign checks co-signed by another Officer or Director.
- 2) Dispense League funds as approved by the President or Vice President.
- 3) Prepare budgets and assume the responsibility for all League finances.
- 4) Maintain all financial records of the League for examination by the Board of Directors.
- 5) Financial reports:
  - A) Give a written report at the monthly Board of Directors meeting.
  - B) Present an annual financial statement in writing at the annual meeting.
- 6) Issue a separate receipt for the amount of money turned over to the treasurer at any time. Also a receipt shall be issued for any deposits made.
- 7) The Board of Directors must approve any expenditure over the sum of \$200.00.
- 8) Submit all financial records to the Board of Directors 14 days prior to the annual meeting.

### **SECTION 4 – SECRETARY**

The Secretary shall:

- 1) Maintain a register of members and directors.
- 2) Record the minutes of meetings.

- 3) Be responsible for sending out notice of meetings.
- 4) Maintain a record of the Leagues activities.
- 5) Maintain a roster of committees and their members.
- 6) Keep a record of those attending meetings.
- 7) Discharge all of the usual secretarial functions of the office as required by this Constitution and the Board of Directors.

### **SECTION 5 – PLAYER AGENT**

The Player Agent shall:

- 1) Conduct annual tryouts, and be in charge of player selections.
- 2) Assist the President in checking birth records and eligibility of players.
- 3) Supervise and coordinate the transfer of players to or from the minor leagues according to the provisions of Little League regulations.
- 4) Prepare and/or present League schedules for approval by the Board of Directors.
- 5) Oversee the rescheduling of postponed or unfinished games.
- 6) Conduct all-star selection meetings for all leagues.
- 7) Determine player registration refund.
- 8) Represent the player at all disciplinary hearings.
- 9) Implement procedure for filling team rosters when vacancies occur.
- 10) Be responsible for all publications of approved player roster and all-star selection.
- 11) As the safety officer, maintain and enforce the safety code.

Any procedures developed by the Player Agent shall receive prior review and approval of the Board of Directors.

### **SECTION 6 – UMPIRE AND CHIEF**

The umpire and chief shall:

- 1) Schedule umpires for all League games.
- 2) Notify Player Agent of any and all cancelled games within 24 hours of cancellation.
- 3) Organize and supervise umpire clinics prior to the start of the season.
- 4) Notify umpires of a cancellation in a timely fashion
- 5) Notify umpires of meeting they should attend.
- 6) Perform other duties as delegated by the President.

### **SECTION 7 – EQUIPMENT MANAGER**

The Equipment Manager shall:

- 1) Assign all equipment at the beginning of each season to each team.
- 2) Be responsible for soliciting at least three bids for new equipment. Present these bids to the Board of Directors for their review and approval unless otherwise voted by the Board.
- 3) Be responsible for the replacement of equipment as deemed necessary.
- 4) Submit an inventory in writing at the annual meeting.

- 5) Have a petty cash fund of \$75.00
- 6) Be responsible for first aid equipment.

#### **SECTION 8 – AUXILIARY REPRESENTATIVE**

An Auxiliary committee, made up of supporting parents and friends of the League, may be organized for the purpose of fund raising and organizing social gatherings.

The Auxiliary Representative shall:

- 1) Act as liaison between the auxiliary committee and the Board of Directors.
- 2) Assist in all fund raising endeavors for the benefit of the League. All monies raised under his/her direction shall go to the general League fund.
- 3) Under the direction of the Board of Directors shall obtain all awards pertinent to individuals and teams.
- 4) Perform other duties as delegated by the President.

#### **SECTION 9 – REPRESENTATIVE AT LARGE**

The Representative at large shall act as a liaison between the League and the Town of Gloucester Recreation department, the Town Council, the Acotes field cemetery association, and the appropriate law enforcement agencies.

#### **SECTION 10 – MANAGERS REPRESENTATIVE**

The Managers representative shall:

- 1) Represent all Managers and Coaches in all leagues.
- 2) Attend all-star selection meetings.
- 3) Perform any other duties as delegated by the President.
- 4) Notify Managers and Coaches of required meetings.

#### **SECTION 11 - FALL BALL COORDINATOR/PLAYER AGENT II:**

The Fall Ball Coordinator/Player Agent II shall:

1. ASSIST THE PLAYER AGENT IN TRY OUTS.
2. ASSIST THE PLAYER AGENT/PRESIDENT IN ALL STAR SELECTION PROCESS AND PREPARING AFFIDAVITS
3. ASSIST THE PLAYER AGENT AT SPRING REGISTRATION
4. LEAD PERSON IN DEVELOPING THE FALL BALL PROGRAM FOR ALL GLL DIVISIONS.
  - A) IN CHARGE OF FALL REGISTRATION
  - B) MAKE UP THE FALL BALL ROSTER
  - C) ADVERTISING OF REGISTRATION
  - D) RESPONSIBLE FOR SCHEDULING INTERNAL LEAGUE PLAY WHEN APPLICABLE

#### **SECTION 12 - SENIOR/JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF BASEBALL**

The Senior/Junior League Vice President shall:

1. ASSIST THE PLAYER AGENTS IN SENIOR AND JUNIOR TRY OUTS
2. ASSIST THE FALL BALL COORDINATOR IN REGISTRATION PROCESS OF SR & JR PLAYERS
3. LIAISON TO THE DISTRICT IV FALL BALL INTRA LEAGUE PLAY
4. REPRESENT THE JR AND SR MANAGERS AND WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE GLL MANAGER REPRESENTATIVE
5. WORK WITH THE EQUIPMENT MANAGER TO INSURE THAT TEAMS HAVE PROPER EQUIPMENT AT THE BEGINNING OF SPRING.
6. SCHEDULE UMPIRES FOR ALL JR AND SR GAMES.
7. WORK WITH THE PLAYER REPRESENTATIVES ON ALL STAR SELECTION AND PROVIDE AFFIDAVIT INFORMATION NEEDED.
8. ATTEND MEETINGS RELATED TO SR AND JR BOYS WHEN REQUESTED BY THE PRESIDENT

### **SECTION 13 - SOFTBALL VICE PRESIDENT**

The Softball Vice President shall:

1. ASSIST THE PLAYER AGENTS IN SENIOR AND JUNIOR TRY OUTS
2. ASSIST THE FALL BALL COORDINATOR IN REGISTRATION PROCESS OF SR/JR & MAJOR PLAYERS
3. LIAISON TO THE DISTRICT IV FALL BALL INTRA LEAGUE PLAY
4. REPRESENT THE SENIOR/JUNIOR AND MAJORS MANAGERS AND WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE GLL MANAGER REPRESENTATIVE.
5. WORK WITH THE EQUIPMENT MANAGER TO INSURE THAT TEAMS HAVE PROPER EQUIPMENT AT THE BEGINNING OF SPRING.
6. SCHEDULE UMPIRES FOR ALL JR AND SR GAMES. WORK WITH THE UMPIRE AND CHIEF TO INSURE COVERAGE.
7. WORK WITH THE PLAYER REPRESENTATIVES ON ALL STAR SELECTION AND PROVIDE AFFIDAVIT INFORMATION NEEDED.
8. ATTEND MEETINGS RELATED TO SR/JR/MAJOR GIRLS WHEN REQUESTED BY THE PRESIDENT

## **ARTICLE 7 MEETINGS**

### **SECTION 1 – ANNUAL**

The annual meeting of the League shall be held during the month of September each year and shall be open to all members of the League. At least five (5) days notice shall be given of this meeting by appropriate means as determined by the Board of Directors. Normally, such notice shall appear in local newspapers, but other forms of notification may be used as approved by the Board of Directors.

The primary purpose of the annual meeting is to:

- 1) Elect a new Board of Directors.
- 2) Report on League matters.
- 3) Permit members to make proposals and recommendations to the Board of Directors.

## **SECTION 2 – SPECIAL**

Special meetings may be called by:

- 1) The President
- 2) The Board of Directors by majority vote.
- 3) The membership through petition signed by 25 members of the League, and submitted to the President.
- 4) An emergency meeting to resolve issues not pertaining to the Board of Directors itself, may be called at any time by the President or Player Agent.

For all special meetings, at least five (5) day's notices shall be given to League members. Such notice shall indicate time, place, and purpose of the meeting. The means of notification shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

## **SECTION 3 – BOARD MEETINGS**

The Board of Directors shall meet as required but no less frequently than once each month. The President is responsible for scheduling these meetings. Other League members may attend these meetings as observers. A quorum for these meetings is a majority of the Board of Directors. Fifty one percent (51%) of the Board of Directors present must vote yes to any issue for that issue to pass.

It is expected that board members will attend 2/3 of all scheduled meetings, and vote on all issues. Any board member having a conflict of interest shall be considered not in attendance for that vote only.

Any board member that does not attend three consecutive scheduled board meetings will lose voting privileges until he/she attends two consecutive scheduled board meetings. All voting privileges will be reinstated at the beginning of the second consecutive board meeting.

## **ARTICLE 8 – NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

### **SECTION 1 – ELECTION PROCEDURES**

At the annual meeting, the League members shall elect a Board of Directors. Following the election, the newly elected Board of Directors shall meet to elect its officers from within the membership of the Board of Directors. It is recommended that the Board of Directors consist of no more than fifteen (15) members.

Election of members to the Board of Directors shall be by paper ballot. Nominees must receive a majority vote (51%) of the League members attending the annual meeting to be elected to the Board of Directors. To fill 15 positions, a popular vote may be used to fill the remaining positions. Election results shall be announced before the meeting is adjourned.

### **SECTION 2 – THE ELECTION COMMITTEE:**

The election committee shall:

- 1) Take nominations and seconds from the floor.
- 2) List the names of nominees in order as they are nominated.
- 3) Allow each nominee two minutes to address the League members.
- 4) Allow only three questions from the floor to be addressed to each nominee.

The past President will schedule a meeting for the new Board of Directors as soon as possible following the election. The past President will preside over this meeting until the Board of Directors elects a new President. At this time the new President will conduct nominations and elections for new officers. All votes to elect officers of the Board of Directors shall be accomplished by raising a hand for approval or rejection.

### **SECTION 3 – TERM OF OFFICE**

Directors shall be elected for a one-year term. Directors shall serve until their qualified successors are elected. All money, official records and documents, and all property belonging to the League shall be turned over to such successor within 30 days of election.

### **SECTION 4 – CHAIN OF COMMAND**

The chain of command shall be:

- 1) President
- 2) Vice President
- 3) Secretary
- 4) Treasurer
- 5) Player Agent

### **SECTION 5 – LIMITATIONS**

No person shall hold more than one (1) of the offices named in article 6 of this Constitution.

### **SECTION 5 – VACANCIES**

Any vacancy on the Board of Directors, from whatever cause, shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Board members. A person so appointed shall already be a member of the League and hold the position only until the next annual meeting.

## **ARTICLE 9 AFFILIATION**

### **SECTION 1 – CHARTER**

The League shall annually apply for a charter from Little League Baseball, Inc. , and shall do all things necessary to obtain and maintain such charter.

### **SECTION 2 – RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The official playing rules and regulations as published by Little League Baseball shall be binding on this League.

### **SECTION 3 – LOCAL RULES, GROUND RULES AND/OR BYLAWS.**

The local rules, ground rules and/or bylaws of this League shall be adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting to be held not less than one (1) month prior to the first scheduled game of the season, but shall in no way conflict with the Rules and Regulations and Policies of Little League Baseball, Inc., nor shall they conflict with this Constitution.

**ARTICLE 10 BYLAWS**

**SECTION 1 – CHANGES**

This Constitution and bylaws may be amended, repealed or altered in whole or in part by a majority vote at any duly organized meeting of the members, provided notice of the proposed change is included in the notice of the meeting. A draft of all proposed amendments shall be submitted to Little League Baseball, Inc., for approval.

**ARTICLE 11 SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

The President, with the approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint special committees from time to time as is deemed necessary.

**ARTICLE 12 DISSOLVEMENT**

If this organization is dissolved, all remaining funds and equipment shall be given to the Town of Gloucester Recreation Department, or disposed of in a manner prescribed by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE 13 PLAYERS, MANAGERS, COACHES, UMPIRES**

The Board of Directors shall be required to establish, publish, and distribute operating guidelines and principles of conduct and performance for players, managers, coaches, and umpires.

**ARTICLE 14 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL RULES**

**SECTION 1 – LITTLE LEAGUE RULES**

The official playing rules and regulations as published by Little League Baseball for the current season shall be binding on this League.

**SECTION 2 – LOCAL RULES**

The local rules of this League shall be adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting to be held not less than one (1) month prior to the first scheduled game of the season.

**THIS CONSTITUTION WAS AMENDED PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL. A VOTE WAS TAKEN ON BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GLOCESTER LITTLE LEAGUE 1999 SEASON.**

**THIS CONSTITUTION WAS AMENDED AGAIN PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GLOCESTER LITTLE LEAGUE SEASON 2003.**

MANAGER SELECTION PROCESS  
GLOCESTER LITTLE LEAGUE

1. GLL will advertise that a managers' sign up will be held indicating date and time.
2. All potential candidates must fill out a Volunteer Application Form required and established by Little League Baseball.
3. All potential candidates must pass a back ground check through the Attorney Generals' office or any other endorsed Little League source.
4. GLL must establish (after a full player registration process) exactly how many teams are needed to plan for the amount of managers needed.
5. Selection process is decided in three steps:
  - a) President must allow the candidate to be reviewed by the three person committee.
  - b) Three- person committee must approve of the candidate by a majority vote.
  - c) Managers' committee then brings their recommendations to the board. Board must be notified that the meeting is designed for the election process.
6. Manager Representative (MR) will announce the recommended candidates for each division as a whole unit and also state the other candidates that have applied.
7. Manager Representative will be able to answer any question regarding the applicants' qualifications and reasoning for selection. Manager Rep will also respond to any questions regarding an applicant not being selected. All Volunteer Forms will be present for viewing by the board.
8. MR will announce the recommended managers by division. Board can nominate to vote on the selection as a whole for acceptance or one at a time.
9. Board must have a majority vote for manager to be accepted.
10. MR will contact those managers who have been accepted.

NB:

Selection Committee consists of the Player Agent\*, Manager Representative and the President.

GLL takes a number of things into consideration upon selecting managers. The managers' report with his players and their parents as well as general baseball knowledge is considered the highest qualifications for selection.

1. An incumbent in good standing requesting to be reappointed in the same division (with same team) gets high consideration.
2. A manager in good standing who is changing divisions gets high consideration.
3. A person who has coached on a team (with a manager's vacancy), is in good standing, gets high consideration.
4. A person who has coached on a team, I in good standing, gets consideration.
5. A person with no prior experience but has good references and presents well will get consideration.

“GOOD STANDING”: A manager who abides by the Little League code of conduct, who establishes a good report with players and the parents, who knows the game of baseball and can assist his/her players in developing baseball skills, who attends the mandatory coaches meeting, first aid training, picks up his/her equipment bag and uniforms on the assigned dates (or assigns someone to do so for him/her), returns equipment bag and uniform jerseys by the assigned dates, attends at least 90% of the teams games (unless injury or unforeseen circumstances arose), who holds at least one weekly practice during the season, and/or a person who contributes his/her time and/or experience in ways that improves the quality of the Little League experience.

March 3,2004

Amendments to Guidelines put forth in the Little League Operating Manual

Sibling rule:

If two or more siblings are to be eligible for the draft the following procedure will take place:  
When the first sibling is selected to said team, the next sibling will be protected and not have to be drafted until the appropriate round according to their scores at the draft.

Candidates with scores ranging from 21-25   Following Round

Candidates with scores ranging from 16-20   2 rounds after

Candidates with scores ranging from 11-15   3 rounds after

Candidates with scores ranging from 6-10   4 rounds after

Candidates with scores ranging from 1-5   5 rounds after

Example: Nomar is drafted in the first round; His brother Roman scored 13 out of 25. Roman is protected until and should be selected by the manager in round 4.

After round 4 the sibling is no longer protected and available to be drafted by any team.

This process will not punish managers for abiding by the rule of keeping brothers on the same team. The value of the brother is put forth by their score. A strong brother will be selected in an earlier round, a much weaker later round. This is how they would have been drafted is no relationship was present. Note: If the manager chooses not to exercise this option within the designated round the sibling is no longer protected.

The above amendment will not apply if any or all of the following exist. Therefore the Operating Manual rule will apply. See manual for rule.

- A) If the sibling's score is within 3 points difference (21-18=3) the above rule will not apply.
- B) If one or more siblings were not at tryouts, hence no rating or score.
- C) The draft is to take place on the same day as the tryouts did.
- D) There are less than three teams in that division.

The following amendment was put fourth to the board by Michael LeBlanc Player Representative 2004 GLL

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BOARD OFFICER ELECTION PROCESS

1. We list on the blackboard the names of those board members wishing to continue serving on the board in alphabetical order. The Secretary describes the process with the Vice President to the membership. The Secretary then asks each member to stand up and address the members (alphabetically). They have 2 minutes maximum and up to 3 questions from the membership. The Secretary times the process. After this time period, the Secretary asks if anyone will nominate ----- and a member says -----. Then the secretary states "will anyone second the motion" and a member says -----
2. The above process works until we have exhausted the returning board members.
3. At this point the Secretary then states that he has "X" members asking to become new board members. Because of the limited spaces available, we use a paper ballot.
4. All new potential members will be called up in alphabetical order. Same as with returning members, potential members will be given two minutes to address the membership and be asked up to three questions by the membership.
5. After the potential candidates are given their time, we then pass out paper ballots and ask each voting member to list "X" amount of names on the ballot in order of preference. (The amount of names will be determined by the potential openings for board membership.)
6. Each member has to have at least 51% approval (listing on paper ballot) to be eligible.
7. The person(s) with the most votes (and has 51% of the members on the ballot) will become a new member, the person with the next amount will become the next and so on until all position are filled.
8. We could have many applicants and actually have new potential members not reach 51%.

## Draft Procedures – Juniors Softball– 2004

- 1) The draft order will be based on a lottery drawing held prior to commencement of the draft.
- 2) Each Manager (or his or her nominee) will get one pick in each round of the draft until that Manager's roster is at the maximum allowable number as set forth prior to commencement of the draft.
- 3) All players who attended tryouts and received a rating will be selected first, followed by players with no scores. If there are not enough rated players to complete a full draft round, the no score players may be included and drafted. This rule will not apply if a sibling is already on the respective team or if the player is the Manager's son or daughter. In either case, refer to the Operating Manual.
- 4) [Mike, you will have to revise this according to what the Operations Manual says]. If a Manager's son or daughter is eligible for the draft, then such Manager may take his or her son or daughter in any round not to exceed the 3<sup>rd</sup> round, if league age 12, the 4<sup>th</sup> round, if age 11, and the 5<sup>th</sup> round, if ages 9 or 10. If the Manager fails to make this selection by the designated round, then the Manager's son or daughter may be chosen by any of the other Managers in any of the subsequent rounds.
- 5) If two siblings are eligible for the same draft, the following procedure will be followed. Once the first sibling is drafted, the other sibling will be protected and not have to be drafted until the round set forth below:

Candidates with scores ranging from 21-25 – next round  
Candidates with scores ranging from 16-20 – within 2 rounds  
Candidates with scores ranging from 11-15 – within 3 rounds  
Candidates with scores ranging from 6-10 – within 4 rounds  
Candidate with scores ranging from 1-5 – within 5 rounds

The above process will not apply if any of the following conditions exist. In such Case, the Operating Manual rule will apply.

- 1) The siblings scores are within 3 points of one another
  - 2) One or both of the siblings were not at tryouts
  - 3) The draft takes place on the same day as tryouts
  - 4) There are less than 3 teams in the division
- 6) No team may have more than 8 players in any one age bracket.
- 7) Subsequent to the draft, each Manager shall submit to the Managers' Rep the name or names of his or her coaches. All coached must have completed and passed a BCI check and further be approved by the Managers' Rep and the President (this rule supercedes the red-shirt rule which will not be in operation this year).

## Draft Procedures – Majors Baseball– 2004

- 8) The draft order will be last place to first place based on the previous year's (not playoff) standings.
- 9) Each Manager (or his or her nominee) will get one pick in each round of the draft until that Manager's roster is at the maximum allowable number as set forth prior to commencement of the draft.
- 10) If a Manager's son or daughter is eligible for the draft, then such Manager may take his or her son or daughter in any round not to exceed the 3<sup>rd</sup> round, if league age 12, the 4<sup>th</sup> round, if age 11, and the 5<sup>th</sup> round, if ages 9 or 10. If the Manager fails to make this selection by the designated round, then the Manager's son or daughter may be chosen by any of the other Managers in any of the subsequent rounds.
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- 5) The siblings scores are within 3 points of one another
  - 6) One or both of the siblings were not at tryouts
  - 7) The draft takes place on the same day as tryouts
  - 8) There are less than 3 teams in the division
- 12) No team may have more than 8 players in any one age bracket.
  - 13) The Player Rep will set forth prior to commencement of the draft the name or names of any player who attended tryouts and who is not eligible for the Majors draft.
  - 14) Subsequent to the draft, each Manager shall submit to the Managers' Rep the name or names of his or her coaches. All coached must have completed and passed a BCI check and further be approved by the Managers' Rep and the President (this rule supersedes the red-shirt rule which will not be in operation this year).

March 3,2004

Amendments to Guidelines put forth in the Little League Operating Manual

This amendment will be in place for AAA, Boy Jrs, Girls Jrs Softball and Girls Majors

In the past a player who did not tryout and had a score of zero would be entered into the same draft as those players that were at tryouts and have ratings. A manager could have instructed a player or parent of such player to miss tryouts so they could take them in an early round without any other managers knowing their true ability and value.

For example last year 3 boys in AAA with no scores were selected in the first round. This is why I proposed the mandatory tryouts this year. This is unfair to the other managers who do not know their talent rating.

Starting this year all players with rating who were at tryouts will be selected first, followed by players with no scores. If there is not enough players to complete another full round with scored players, at this point the no score players will be introduced. This will occur even if there are some scored by available. This will eliminate the unfair advantage one coach may have over another.

For example: There are 5 teams, 52 players with scores and 8 without. At the beginning Of the eleventh round after 10 complete rounds with 50 candidates selected Those 8 non-rated players would now be eligible. Since the draft order is Not determined until the draft date (except Major Softball) it will still give The advantage to the manager that had drawn the first pick.

The following amendment will not apply if there is a sibling on an existing team.

For example a player is returning to the same team as last year and their sibling missed the tryouts. (Girls Softball) Follow Operating Manual Rules.

If a manager's son/daughter missed tryouts that said player will be drafted in the round designated by the Operating Manual according to their age.

The following amendment was put fourth to the board by Michael LeBlanc Player Representative 2004 GLL

## **NEW MANAGER WITH CURRENT PLAYERS RULE**

When a new manager is appointed by the league who has one or more children on the roster of a different team in that same division, that player(s) will be automatically transferred to his/her parents team.

The team gaining the player(s) will be required to provide compensation, in the form of draft picks, to the team losing the player(s) in the following manner:

One child/player – Round 2

Two children/players – Round 2 & Round 4

Three children/players – Round 2, Round 4 & Round 6

If a manager also has a child/player in the draft entering the league for the first time, that player must be selected before the end of Round 5, regardless of age or tryout score.

If the manager selects a player in an open round who has a sibling, that sibling would be dealt with under the current Sibling Rule. If the two rules conflict, the sibling would be protected until that team's next open round pick.

If the manager of either team feels this rule, as applied, is unfair for their situation, the manager has two courses of action:

1. First, try to work out an alternative arrangement with the other team manager that is agreeable to all involved. The deal would then require the approval of both the Player Rep and league President.
2. File a written appeal to the Board of Directors at least 48 hours prior to the draft, stating why the rule is unfair if applied. The Board shall have the authority to adjust or change the compensation. The decision of the Board of Directors is final.

ADOPTED BY THE GLL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MARCH 2005

**At it's regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, December 14, 2005, The Gloucester Little League (GLL) Board of Directors voted unanimously (9-0) to adopt the following policy regarding Little League International's new age determination dates.**

**The Gloucester Little League will adhere literally to the new age determination dates for baseball (April 30) and Softball (December 31) beginning in the 2006 season for all divisions. Players who receive an extra year of eligibility in their 2005 divisions due to this change will not be granted the opportunity to "play up" in a higher division at any level, including majors baseball. The GLL will also follow Little League International's proposal to allow those incoming T-Ball players eligible under the old rules to participate in the 2006 season.**

## AMENDMENT TO CHANGE VOTING RULES

At its meeting of November 21, 2007, a discussion of an amendment to the by-laws was conducted. The matter was properly advertised per the GLL by-laws.

A motion was made and seconded to **delete** the phrase “*At least twenty (20) League members shall be present to hold an election*” from Article 8, Section 1; and to remove item 1 “*We need 20 Gloucester residents for the meeting to take place*” from the Board Officer Election Process Amendment.

The motion PASSED unanimously.

ADOPTED BY THE GLL BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON NOVEMBER 21, 2007