



Woodstock Little League

Special Request for Player Movement to a Different Division

The Woodstock Little League (WLL) offers four distinct divisions for our players: Minor Rookie League (7-8 Year Olds), Minor American League (9-10 Year Olds), Major League (11-12 Year Olds) and Junior League (13-14 Year Olds). Age and birth date cut-offs for these age divisions are determined by Little League International and not the WLL. WLL along with all other Little League organizations are required and expected to follow these guidelines.

WLL recognizes that in some instances, the playing skills of an individual player may be of the caliber that the player would be best served by “moving up” or “moving down” to a different league. In recognition of the situation, WLL has the following policy, process and guidelines to address these requests and to determine a decision that is in the best interest of the player and the League.

Policy

The Woodstock Little League will consider requests from players / parents to “move up” to the next higher division or to “move down” to next lower division. Requests are on a case-by-case basis. All decisions of the WLL Board of Directors are final. One request per player per year may be considered. Granting of the requests will be considered using the following process.

Process:

The request must be made by the player’s parent(s) to the Player Agent at the time of player registration. The VP of the upper league will review the request with the VP of the lower league and the Manager of the player from the prior year (if available). The request must be preliminarily approved by the Parent, by the VP of the upper league, by the VP of the lower league, and the prior year Manager (if available). If the request is not approved by any of those individuals, the request is denied and no further consideration is given. **If the request is approved by each of those individuals, then the player must participate in a mandatory evaluation to take place after the league registration period is completed.**

The request is then forwarded to the entire WLL Board of Directors for final approval. The Board of Directors will review the request. A majority vote by the Board of Directors is required to complete the request by the player to move.

Note that WLL will not consider requests to move because of scheduling, siblings playing in a different league, desire to play with friends, potential coaching relationships, or any other reason other than the skill level of the player, and the best interests of the player and the League.

Player Name: _____ **Parent Name:** _____

Birth Date: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Prior Division: (check one) T-Ball Rookie Minor - American Major Junior

Requested Division: (check one) Rookie Minor - American Major Junior

Signature: _____ **Date of Request:** _____

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Prior Year Manager: _____	Approve:	Yes No	Date: _____
VP Lower League: _____	Approve:	Yes No	Date: _____
VP Upper League: _____	Approve:	Yes No	Date: _____
Board of Directors: _____	Approve:	Yes No	Date: _____