

Policy name: Call-up Policy

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**Purpose:** To provide the rules by which coaches can use players from the division below so that they have enough players to play their game and also to ensure that no team uses Call-ups to gain a competitive advantage. That is not fair play, is not consistent with the values of Little League, and is not supported.

## POLICY

- Convenors communicate with team coaches. Coaches to communicate to team families to create a list of individuals interested in being a call up.
- Coaches to communicate a list of interested players to the convenors. Convenors to communicate and distribute to appropriate division convenor for distribution to teams.
- Lists to be finalized and distributed by June 15th.
- When arranging call ups no player can be used twice before the entire list has been exhausted. Example: If player three was used in the previous game, players 4-the end of the list must be called and given opportunity before player three is able to play up again.
- Call-ups are only be used when Coaches are aware that they will have less than the following for a game:

T-Ball – 11 Minor Baseball – 10 Major Baseball - 9

- If Call-ups are required for a game, the Coach will consult the list and can only Call-up a player that is on the list.
- Once the family and coach have confirmed/accepted the Call-up offer, the player must play in the game and be treated as a full member of the team, and all fair play rules apply; but, as always, the Coach makes safety the top priority when positioning players.
- Once a player is used as a Call-up by a team, an attempt to contact and use other players on the Call-up List should be made before that same player is used again.
- <u>Last-minute</u> usage of Call-ups who have already been called-up by a team for a previous game is permitted with the approval of the opposing Coach.
- All usage of Call-ups in the Playoffs and Championship Games must be approved by a member of the Dundas Little League Executive.



So that there is sufficient time to find a Call-up if necessary, parents are asked to notify their Coach in advance, barring unforeseen circumstances, if their player will be late or absent. Coaches are encouraged to remind their parents that doing so is in adherence with the Parents Code of Conduct.