



POLICY AND PROCEDURE

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UNDER-10 INHOUSE DRAFT PROCEDURES

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The U-10 inhouse program is intended to be a recreational and educational soccer development program. It is the expressed desire of the Monroeville Soccer Club that teams in this age group are created through a draft process as described in the procedures below. The primary focus is to distribute the talent in hopes of creating equally competitive teams for all.

The policies and procedures set forth in the U10 TRAVEL AND IN HOUSE POLICY document shall not be violated by the adoption of this policy.

1. **DRAFT PARTICIPANTS:** Only head coaches (or a designated representative) may draft players. If a coach intends on having a particular assistant coach, they better draft that player. There will be no assigning of players for assistant coach reasons.
2. **RANKED PLAYERS:** It is acknowledged that ranking every player in the U10 division is not feasible. Therefore this policy only recommends that the top X players of U10 and top X players of U9 are ranked by mutual agreement of the coaches prior to the draft. X is represented as the number of teams in the league.
3. **RANKING METHOD:** Other than coaches knowledge of players, the only other vehicle allowed to be used in rating players is the previous year's MSC sponsored skills competition results. Ie, this policy does not support conducting tryouts for ranking Inhouse players. That decision is govern by the U10 TRAVEL AND INHOUSE POLICY document.
4. **ASSIGNING ROUND VALUE:** There are three scenarios where a player can be assigned a draft round value.
 - a. **Sibling** – When drafting a player that has a sibling, the siblings must be placed on the same team. The secondary sibling will be assigned a round value.
 - b. **Unranked Coaches Child** – The coaches must assign a round value for this player prior to the beginning of the draft.

Assigning a round value means that the coaches mutually agree upon a draft round where they think that player is fairly represented. No player can be ASSIGNED a Round 1 or Round 2 value.

5. **ASSIGNING DRAFT ORDER:** A lottery draw will be used to assign drafting order to all coaches who do not have a RANKED PLAYER child. As stated above, coaches with RANKED PLAYER children inherit the draft position of their child's ranking.

6. **DRAFT ORDER:** The following drafting order is designed to give those with the lesser U10 ranked players a shot at the better U9 ranked players. Ranked players do not have to be drafted in their ranked order nor must a coach draft a ranked player in the first two rounds. But, a player of the appropriate age must be drafted during these first two rounds. To help create teams that have a minimum mixture of U10 and U9 players, the unranked U9 pool is not made available until Y rounds of U10 open players have been selected. Y must be declared before the draft begins so all coaches are aware how many rounds of U10 only players will be drafted. Then Z rounds of U9 players will be selected. Again, Z must be declared before the draft begins.

Once the Ranked, Y and Z rounds have concluded, all remaining U9 and U10 players may be drafted as each coach prefers.

The example shown below would be the pattern of a draft where there are 8 teams in the league and the commissioner has declared that there will be 3 rounds of Open U10 draft followed by 2 rounds of Open U9 draft. Then all remaining players will be drafted.

Round 1	Descr	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	U10Ranked	U10R1	U10R2	U10R3	U10R4	U10R5	U10R6	U10R7	U10R8
2	U9Ranked	U9R8	U9R7	U9R6	U9R5	U9R4	U9R3	U9R2	U9R1
3	Open U10s	U10-16	U10-15	U10-14	U10-13	U10-12	U10-11	U10-10	U10-9
4	Open U10s	U10-17	U10-18	U10-19	U10-20	U10-21	U10-22	U10-23	U10-24
5	Open U10s	U10-32	U10-31	U10-30	U10-29	U10-28	U10-27	U10-26	U10-25
6	Open U9	U9-9	U9-10	U9-11	U9-12	U9-13	U9-14	U9-15	U9-16
7	Open U9	U9-24	U9-23	U9-22	U9-21	U9-20	U9-19	U9-18	U9-17
8	All Open								
9	All Open								
10-xx	Until all players are drafted								

Final Round:

Before drafting the final round, any coach may declare a preference to have one of the remaining players. Once all coaches have had an opportunity to take a remaining player – cards will be drawn to determine draft order for the coaches who have not taken a player from this final group. A coach may opt to not take a

player in this round provided there are coaches still to draft after him/her as there are players. Ie, if there are 4 players left and 8 teams drafting, the first 4 coaches may “pass” but the remaining four must select a player.

Other notes:

Let’s say Coach 4 has an unranked U10 child and the coaches agreed that the player was the equivalent of a round 2 open U10. In this case, before the draft begins, this player is assigned to the U10-20 position and coach 4 will not make a selection during the 4th round.

Also, suppose that U9-23 is the twin brother of U9R7. When the ranked player U9R7 is drafted, the coaches at that point will agree where the twin brother should fall in the draft. In this case, it is agreed that this brother is a second round U9 equivalent and is automatically assigned to the same team as his brother. When round 7 comes up, coach of team 2 will not make a selection.

7. BEFORE THE DRAFT:
 - a. Coordinator will contact the registrar to get a listing of past players that have not signed up for play. Coordinator will call these players in an attempt to get them registered before the draft.
 - b. At least one week before the draft, all coaches will be supplied the following information.
 - i. List of players by name and birthdate
 - ii. If player participated in previous season’s MSC Skills Competition, their skill results will be included on the list of players
 - c. A draft date is set that all coaches (or a representative of the coach) can make.
 - d. Ranked U10 and U9 players are mutually agreed upon.
 - e. Unranked Coaches children are mutually agreed upon.
8. AFTER THE DRAFT: The coordinator will generate team rosters in player last name order only.
9. MODERATOR: The Boys coordinator will act as an independent moderator for the U10 Girls Draft and the Girls coordinator will act as an independent moderator for the U10 Boys Draft. In the event that either coordinator has a child in the other program, a member of the MSC Board of Directors who does not have a child in the program will act as the moderator.
10. TRADING PLAYERS: It is the league coordinators perogative as to whether or not they will allow trading players after the draft. MSC recognizes and supports whatever decisions the coordinator makes regarding trading players.
11. DESTRUCTION OF RANKINGS: The knowledge of player rankings and player draft position is strictly confidential to the parties involved in the draft process

and must not be disseminated outside of the drafting room. Once the draft has been completed, all published team rosters should be alphabetical by player's last name. Any materials that listed the players in their draft order must be destroyed at the conclusion of the draft.

12. LATE SIGN UPS: The registrar will accumulate sign up after the draft until one week before the season begins. At that time, the coordinator will get the late signups and assign these players to the teams with the lower number of players in draft order. Once all teams have equal numbers, players will be assigned in original drafting position (round 1) order.