

PROCEDURE FOR CALLING PLAYERS UP FROM A LOWER DIVISION

NOTE: This is for U11 and up, does NOT include U7/U9. (U11 cannot call up U9 players)
If you do not have enough players for a game.

If a team in your division has a bye, you can ask a player from that team OR you can call up a player from one division below yours using the following guidelines.

1. "C" teams can only call up players from other "C" teams. Call up must be from ONE division below (and preferably a 2nd year player in that division)
2. As a courtesy, ask the coach of the player you are calling up (unless none of the players coaches can be contacted)
3. Make sure the requested player doesn't have a conflict in their teams playing schedule.
4. The coach requesting a player, can request a player of their choice.
5. Players on the team still play and should not sit on the bench to allow the pickup to play before them.
6. If a player on the team arrives late, they can still be added to the bottom of the batting line up and put into play. (there is unlimited substitution.)
7. The coach should bring their extra jerseys. The pickup player can wear one of the teams extra jerseys so they don't stand out. (also so there is no duplicate #)
8. Tell the opposing coach that you have a pickup player.
9. Is there a limit to how many players can be called up in a game?
In the case of a team, which cannot field its normal number of players, it may pick up registered players from an equal or a lower category to a maximum of the team's normal playing number. Names of pickups are to be given to opposing coach.
Teams may play with less than 9 players. Coaches have the option of borrowing defensive player(s) from the opposition. When the player arrives, they may be added to the roster without penalty. In case of 8 players the 9th player will not be an automatic out, etc. (From LMSC Rules)
10. Is there a limit to how many times in the season a team can call players up?
8.1.22. MINOR GIRLS DEFINITIONS - A team may not pick up the same player for more than 20 combined games as a pick-up player where that SBBC team registers at a higher classification and/or category. Playing in more than 20 combined games will result in the player being ineligible to participate in a SBBC District Playdown tournament, a SBBC Provincial Championship and a Canadian Championship. ... more in the Softball BC Handbook