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## **MAJORS DIVISION PLAYER RELEASE AND REPLACEMENT PLAYER POLICY**

Release and replacement of players in the Majors Division shall follow the Little League Operating Manual, ORPR Regulation III(d) and/or (e) and the following local rule:

1. Teams may have a vacancy due to player choice or by injury; SSSL has defined player choice and injury as follows:
  - a. **Player Choice:** A player indicates they plan to leave Little League during the season for any reason (moving, quitting, illness, family issues, etc.).
  - b. **Injury:** A team has an injured player that has been or is anticipated that he/she will be out four or more weeks **or** will not return for any part of the last two weeks of regularly scheduled games, that player shall be replaced and the team will carry an additional player for the remainder of the season. It is not up to the Manager to make a decision to play with fewer players.
2. **The Manager shall immediately notify the Player Agent and Commissioner of the division that a replacement is needed and the information regarding the vacancy.** Players in Majors must be replaced if the roster would otherwise be smaller than other teams in the same Division. It is not up to the Manager to make a decision to play with fewer players. This would provide an unfair advantage. This requirement is waived if the team loses the player during or after the last two weeks of scheduled regular-season league games.
3. Per Little League Operating Manual guidelines, the Player Agent shall obtain the official release of the player to be replaced (if leaving Little League) or confirmation of injury date and duration.
4. Date and time of the notification to the Player Agent that a replacement is needed shall establish the order in which replacements shall be assigned when more than one vacancy occurs at the same or simultaneous time.
5. **Managers and Coaches shall not have any contact with a potential replacement player, or their families/guardians or current Manager or Coach. All communication will be to and by the Player Agent, and any violation of this rule shall be subject to disciplinary action as outlined below.**
6. The Player Agent shall provide the Manager with the vacancy an eligible player list with first priority given to players on the Waiting List and second priority to eligible candidates from lower Divisions who had tried out for the Major's division. i.e., Replacements shall come from the Majors level waiting list, and if none, from the pool of any 11-year olds or 10-year olds, provided the player had evaluated for Majors.



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7. The Manager with the vacancy makes 3 choices in rank order of those on the list and provides that information to the Player Agent.
8. The Player Agent shall communicate directly with the players' parents selected to move up to fill the vacancy without informing that player's current Manager or seeking their approval. The decision rests solely with the player and their parent/guardian.
9. The selected player, after being placed on the team and having played in at least one game, will be a property player of that team, not subject to the draft next season.
9. **A MANAGERS FAILURE TO ABIDE BY ANY OR ALL OF THESE RULES REGARDING REPLACEMENT PLAYERS, IS SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINE, REGARDLESS OF INTENT**, as follows: 1st time: Suspended for the next played game; 2nd time: Suspended for 3 consecutive games played; the penalty for additional violations or offenses of this rule will be decided by the Summerlin South Little League Discipline and Protest Committee.