

WHITTIER PONY BASEBALL

WPB League Rules & Procedures

1.0 Rules of Conduct/Discipline

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1.1 Conduct

- 1.1.1 Managers, coaches, parents, and spectators are expected to praise players, umpires, coaches, and managers. Abuse of any of these persons will not be tolerated.
- 1.1.2 All practices and games must be attended by at least one adult female for the duration of the activity, when minor girls are involved.
- 1.1.3 Players should never be left at play or practice without at least two adults present for supervision and protection.
- 1.1.4 Conduct: All discussions with Umpires, WPB Officials, or Opposing Managers/Coaches in a polite manner with or without any players and/or spectators present.
- 1.1.5 Profanity in any form by the manager, coach, parents, spectators, or players is forbidden. Coaching personnel will be immediately ejected from the game.
- 1.1.6 Managers are held accountable for the conduct of the coaches, players, parents and spectators. Any adverse behavior by the parents and/or spectators will result in the ejection of the Manager and the parent/spectator and/or termination of the game. If a coach, parent, player are ejected, the Manager is removed from the game and both will meet with the Disciplinary Committee before being reinstated.
- 1.1.7 Any Manager, coach, or player throwing equipment, of any kind, in an un-sportsmanlike manner may result in ejection from the game by the umpire.
- 1.1.8 Use of tobacco/chewing tobacco or alcohol in any form by adult leaders in the playing fields or parking lots is not permitted. Failure to comply will result in ejection/suspension from a game. (Additional penalties will be imposed.)
- 1.1.9 Field Maintenance is a mandatory requirement of all teams. All teams will perform field maintenance. Failure to comply will result in the manager being suspended for the next scheduled game.
- 1.1.10 Snack Shack Duty is required of all teams. All teams will have to perform at least two (2) snack shack duties. You can have one (1) 18 year old and three (3) adults during the week. On Saturdays one (1) 18 year old and seven (7) adults. Failure to comply will result in a one (1) division win taken away and added to the loss column, in addition to a one (1) game suspension of the manager for the next scheduled game.
- 1.1.11 In the event an ejection is the result of a manager's inability to control an unruly parent/spectator, the automatic suspension may be waived provided the spectator has no relationship or affiliation to the Manager. The waiver of suspension must be by way of approval by the Disciplinary Committee.
- 1.1.12 All disciplinary actions will be executed by the rules stated herein, WPB, Inc, Bylaws and the Pony Baseball, Inc. Rules.
- 1.1.14 Any misappropriations of team funds by the manager, coach, team parent will result in expulsion from the league.

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1.2 Benching of a player

- 1.2.1 Any disciplinary action taken to bench a player must be reported before the game.
- 1.2.2 The problem will be addressed by the manager and/or coach to the Division Commissioner and Player Agent prior to any action being taken.
- 1.2.3 The decision will be made within twenty-four hours.
- 1.2.4 If the action is taken during the game, the Manager must report this action immediately to the Division Commissioner and Player Agent that same day.

1.3 Ejections

- 1.3.1 Ejections will result in the following: once ejected from the game, the manager/coach/parent or player must leave the field immediately. The ejected person will not be allowed to loiter in the bleachers, behind the dugout, or at the adjacent field. The ejected person must leave the facility and wait in the parking lot until the game is finished. Failure to leave the field will result in forfeiture of the game. The ejected Manager or Coach will be suspended for the next scheduled game and have to meet with the Disciplinary Committee. If a parent or spectator have been ejected, the Discipline Committee will rule on whether the manager will be suspended for an additional game.

2.0 **If anyone is ejected from the team, the manager will also be ejected.**

No one may take the place of any ejected Manager or Coach for that game. The Disciplinary Committee may suspend the manager for next scheduled game, if the manager has failed to leave once an ejection has been made. The Disciplinary Committee will review reports from the Field Director, as well as the umpire, on any field incident.

2.1.1 Suspensions: Suspended persons will not be allowed at our WPB facilities prior or during their specified game/games.

2.1.2 PLAYER, PARENT AND FAMILY MEMBER CONDUCT: We have zero tolerance for any parent or family member who verbally or physically abuses any coach, parent, player, umpire or board member. This parent, along with their player, will be suspended or removed from the team. Suspension length will be determined by the disciplinary committee.

SUSPENSIONS

**To be reinstated from a suspension/ejection,
you must meet with the disciplinary committee
before you can return to the field.**

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2.0 Managers and Coaches

2.1 Selection

- 2.1.1 Persons desiring to be a manager or a coach must complete an application form to the Player Agent at the walk up registration. Background checks are good for one season, January through July.
- 2.1.2 Player Agent will submit the application to the appropriate Division Commissioner.
- 2.1.3 Commissioner will then contact the applicant and interview them for the position.
 - 2.1.3.1 **Priority:** in the event of excessive applications, the format for approval is, but not limited to;
 - (1) Returning Managers
 - (2) Managers moving up or down
 - (3) Returning Coaches
 - (4) Coaches moving up or down
 - (5) New Manager
- 2.1.4 Commissioner will submit a proposed list of Managers/Coaches for Board Approval.
- 2.1.5 Commissioner will notify approved applicants of first Manager Meeting.
 - 2.1.5.1 **Approval as a Manager does not guarantee a team**
 - 2.1.5.2 Returning manager to the same division is allowed to keep their team name from the previous season. If they choose not to keep the team name, they will pick a number from the hat and select a team name that is available.

2.2 Staff

- 2.2.1 Each team will have (1) Manager and (3) additional Coaches
 - 2.2.1.1 All coaches must be approved by the Board
 - 2.2.1.2 All coaches must be registered with the Commissioner of their division, who shall keep a permanent record of activities.
 - 2.2.1.3 All coaches must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- 2.2.2 No Manager will manage more than one (1) team
- 2.2.3 **Managers and coaches must wear their team hat, jersey or jacket while on the field during scheduled games for identification purposes. Substitute parent/coach can be used if the manager is not present, with permission of Field Director and Commissioner.**

2.3 Manager Duties

- 2.3.1 Managers must attend all Meetings/Clinics, coach attendance is highly recommended.
 - 2.3.1.1 If a Manager cannot attend a meeting, a Coach may attend as a representative for the team.

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- 2.3.1.2 Failure to attend any meetings will result in a suspension of the manager for the next scheduled game.
- 2.3.1.3 Make sure to sign-in at each meeting
- 2.3.2 Managers are required (coaches are recommended) to have a complete understanding of the following:
 - (1) Pony Organization Rules & Regulations
 - (2) Whittier Pony Baseball Managers Rule Book and MLB Rules
- 2.3.3 Draft a team according to WPB Draft Procedures, except Shetland Division.
- 2.3.4 Managers should instruct all parents on their requirements for drop-off and pick-up of players during practices and scheduled games. Managers are required to make sure every player has been picked up by a parent before leaving the game or practice field.
 - 2.3.4.1.1 Managers should notify their Commissioner of problems with late parents.
- 2.3.5 Managers are to maintain accurate records concerning attendance, team activities, medical care, game reports, and scorebooks.
- 2.3.6 Managers are required to have individual players medical release/registrations forms during all practices and games.
- 2.3.7 Managers are required to immediately report any disciplinary actions, protests or other matters deemed critical to their Division Commissioner and/or Player Agent. Failure to do so may result in forfeiture of a game(s).
- 2.3.8 **Shetland-Pony managers must notify the Commissioner of their division within 48 hours of a drop. Failure to do so will result in a manager suspension for the next scheduled game.**
- 2.3.9 Practices**
 - 2.3.9.1 Commissioner must be informed of Practice Site Location
 - 2.3.9.2 Organize and conduct no more than two regular weekly practices during the season. Prior to March no more than three practices during the week before season.
 - 2.3.9.3 Practices should be limited to no more than two hours and may not go past 8:30p.m. (Shetland should be limited to one hour and thirty minutes.)
 - 2.3.9.4 Practices are not allowed at Granada Middle School or York Field during scheduled Field Maintenance on Fridays.
 - 2.3.9.5 Appropriate conduct should be used at all times during practices
 - 2.3.9.6 Respect the surrounding neighbors parking
 - 2.3.9.7 Make sure to leave fields clean after practice
 - 2.3.9.8 Any inappropriate behavior reported to WPB can result in loss of field.
 - 2.3.9.9 Players should never be left at games or practice without at least two adults present for proper supervision and protection.

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2.3.10 Information for Parents

- 2.3.10.1 Managers should prepare a schedule of practices/games to include date, time, and location (make sure to specify field)
- 2.3.10.2 Managers should prepare a team roster for distribution among the team.
- 2.3.10.3 Managers should inform parents of all scheduled team/league events including; snack shack duty, fundraisers, pictures, ceremonies, etc.

2.3.11 Equipment

- 2.3.11.1 WPB will supply each team with an equipment bag, upon receiving a \$75.00 deposit. Deposits are required from all teams, no exceptions. (Checks will be deposited and refunded at the end of the season)
- 2.3.11.2 Equipment bags will be distributed on Team Announcement Day.
- 2.3.11.3 Managers are responsible for all issued equipment and will maintain control during the regular season.
- 2.3.11.4 Equipment is to be returned to the Equipment Manager at the end of the season (date to be announced).
- 2.3.11.5 Equipment and equipment bag must be returned cleaned. All equipment must be returned and in usable condition. Failure to do so may result in loss of all or part of your deposit.
- 2.3.11.6 After inspection of returned equipment a refund check will be mailed.

2.4 Field Maintenance

2.4.1 Pre-Season

- 2.4.1.1 All Managers/Coaches will be required to attend several sessions of field maintenance prior to the regular season in order to prepare the fields for play.
- 2.4.1.2 Cooperation is the key to quality fields for the players.
- 2.4.1.3 Failure to attend preseason field maintenance will result in the loss of rights to preseason practices at Granada and York Field, and a suspension of the first scheduled game.
- 2.4.1.4 Make sure to sign in at each field maintenance scheduled.

2.4.2 Weekday Games

2.4.2.1 Both Teams: Pre-Game

- 2.4.2.1.1 Drag or rake fields and baselines.
- 2.4.2.1.2 Fill any holes, if necessary.
- 2.4.2.1.3 Pack mound and batters box.
- 2.4.2.1.4 Chalk baselines and batters box.
- 2.4.2.1.5 Place bases on posts.
- 2.4.2.1.6 Put equipment back into bins and close the doors

2.4.2.2 Both Teams: Post-Game

- 2.4.2.2.1 Drag or rake fields.

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- 2.4.2.2.2 Fill any holes at bases, home plate, pitching mound, and bullpens.
- 2.4.2.2.3 Water dirt part of infield and heavily soak home plate and pitching mound.
- 2.4.2.2.3 Put all equipment away and close doors
- 2.4.2.2.4 All questions or discrepancies in set-up/clean-up should be directed to the field director, not to the snack shack workers.
- 2.4.2.3 **Both Teams: Post-Game**
 - 2.4.2.3.1 **Clean-up dugouts and spectator area. (This must be done prior to meeting with team and parents). It is recommended that the Manager appoint parent(s) to do this in order to make time for the Manager and Coaches to talk to the players**
 - 2.4.2.3.2 Remove liners from trashcans and take to trash bins. **This is a school requirement.** If there is no liner available, ask for one at the snack shack or from the field director.
 - 2.4.2.3.3 **Both teams are responsible for trash around the entire field, around the port-a-potties, by the green storage bins and emptying trashcans and replacing liners, if necessary.**
- 2.4.3 **Saturday Games (Weekend)**
 - 2.4.3.1 **Both Teams: Pre-Game (Before First Game)**
 - 2.4.3.1.1 Drag or rake fields and baselines.
 - 2.4.3.1.2 Fill any holes, if necessary.
 - 2.4.3.1.3 Pack pitcher's mound and home plate.
 - 2.4.3.1.4 Water playing field, dirt only.
 - 2.4.3.1.5 Chalk baselines and batter's box.
 - 2.4.3.1.6 Place bases on posts.
 - 2.4.3.3.7 Put equipment away and close doors.
 - 2.4.3.2 **Both Teams: Post-Game**
 - 2.4.3.2.1 **The teams that have finished playing are responsible for setting up the field for the next game.**
 - 2.4.3.2.2 Drag or rake fields and baselines.
 - 2.4.3.2.3 Fill any holes at bases, home plate, pitching mound, and bullpens.
 - 2.4.3.2.4 Pack pitchers mound and home plate.
 - 2.4.3.2.5 Water playing field, dirt only.
 - 2.4.3.2.6 Chalk baselines and batters box. **(Except after last game)**
 - 2.4.3.2.7 Put equipment away and close doors.
 - 2.4.3.2.8 After last game: water infield and heavily soak home plate and pitching mound.
 - 2.4.3.2.9 After last game: Pick up trash and empty trash cans, replace liner, and take full bag of trash to the trash bin by the front gate. Bags can be obtained from the field director or in the storage bin on your field.
 - 2.4.3.3 **Both Teams: Post-Game**
 - 2.4.3.3.1 Clean-up dugouts and spectator area. (This should be done prior to meeting with team and parents). It is recommended that the Manager appoint parent(s) to do this in order to make time for the Manager and Coaches to talk to the players. The parent responsible for the game's snack may be appointed for a fair rotation of this duty.

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- 2.4.3.3.2 Remove liners from trashcans and take to trash bins. **This is a school requirement.** If there is no liner available, ask for one at the snack shack or from the field director.
- 2.4.3.3.3 Both teams are responsible for trash around the entire field, around the port-a-potties, by the green storage bin and emptying trash cans and replacing liners, if necessary.
- 2.4.3.3.4 All questions or discrepancies in set-up/clean-up should be directed to the field director, not to the snack shack workers.

2.4.4 Friday Field Maintenance

2.4.4.1 **Friday field maintenance will start at 5:00pm and must be completed by 6:00pm. There are no practices allowed at Granada on Friday's field maintenance days!**

- 2.4.4.1.1 If it rains, maintenance is required before the next scheduled game.
- 2.4.4.1.2 It is mandatory for each team to have the player and parent help with the picking up of trash.
- 2.4.4.1.3 Make sure the Field Director, Field Maintenance Mgr, or Commissioner knows you are present.
- 2.4.4.2 Remove all grass from the base path, home plate area, and pitching mound with hula hoes.
- 2.4.4.3 Drag the field, water the playing field, and chalk the field.
- 2.4.4.4 Teams scheduled to clean-out equipment bins will also be responsible for washing out all trash containers and picking up trash on playing facilities and around the snack shack.
- 2.4.4.5 **Friday Field Maintenance at Granada is a mandatory requirement for all teams (exception: Pony division). Five (5) Adults are required to be present to do a proper job on the fields. Failure to comply will result in a win taken away and a (1) game suspension for the Manager for his/her Saturday game. There will be no practices allowed at Granada on Friday field maintenance day.**

2.5 Miscellaneous Information

2.5.1 Appropriate rotation rules for each division will be strictly enforced.

2.5.2 Scorebook

- 2.5.2.1 The official scorebook will be delivered to your field by the field director. Do not send a parent to pick up the scorebook.
- 2.5.2.2 The score book is to be turned in after the last game, to the field director or the snack shack.
- 2.5.2.3 No one may tamper with the official scorebook.
- 2.5.2.4 Make sure the umpire and each Manager has signed the scorebook.
- 2.5.2.5 Require your scorekeeper to fill in all information. Including name of teams, last names of players, dates, field, etc. Failure to do so may result in loss of standings for your team.

2.5.3 In the event of rain check, the website for "Stormwatch." Details will be posted of any game postponements.

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- 2.5.4 Manager and Coach behavior is observed by the Board of Directors and documented during the season. Inappropriate behavior may be disciplined and may affect your status as a Manager/Coach for the following season.
- 2.5.5 No more than four adults are allowed in the dugout during the game. This includes any combination of board approved manager, coaches and a team parent.
- 2.5.6 No wearable or hand held cell phones are allowed on the field during the games.
- 2.5.7 There will be absolutely no parking on the house side of Stamy Road. Parking citations will be issued by the Sheriff's department.
- 2.5.8 No music devices (boom boxes) allowed at the fields.
- 2.5.9 Players are not allowed to wear any jewelry during games, other than medical bracelets and sweat bands. "Power" type necklaces & bracelets are not allowed. PONY Rule: 8.J. Penalty: Rule 18.E.5.
- 2.5.10 **Animals are not allowed on the fields at any time. If parents/spectators bring their pet to the field they will be asked to leave.**
- 2.5.11 **Bronco and Mustang (M2) field. Make sure your children are not playing within 10 yards of the fences or throwing any objects over the fences.**
- 2.5.12 All umpire complaints must be submitted in writing, signed and given to the Division Commissioner before any action can be taken.

3.0 Team Parent Responsibilities

3.1 Assist Manager in creating a team roster

- 3.1.1 Team rosters should include Player's first and last name.
- 3.1.2 Team rosters should include Players phone number.
- 3.1.3 Team roster should include Players jersey number, this helps parents identify and get to know all the players.
- 3.1.4 Team roster should include Manager's name and phone number.
- 3.1.5 Team roster should include Coach's name and phone number
- 3.1.6 Team roster should include Team Parent's name and phone number.

3.2 Assist Manager in creating a game schedule

- 3.2.1 Game schedule should state date of games.
- 3.2.2 Game schedule should state start time of games.
- 3.2.3 Game schedule should state Location of Games, if applicable (York/Granada)
- 3.2.4 Game schedule should state Field #
- 3.2.5 Game schedule should state who you will be playing
- 3.2.6 Game schedule should have a reminder to arrive at least 30 minutes prior to game start time.
- 3.2.7 Team parent should assist manager in notifying players of changes in playing schedules, practices, rain delays or cancellations.

3.3 Assist Manager in creating a snack schedule

- 3.3.1 Designate a family per game to be responsible for providing a snack for the team.
- 3.3.2 Call and remind the responsible family prior to game.

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3.4 Assist Manager in distribution of team uniforms

3.4.1 Distribute team uniforms and vouchers to players.

3.4.2 Collect jersey back with player information, such as: jersey number and last name, if desired.

3.4.3 Team Parent may collect money to cover cost of adding players' last name on back of shirt.

3.5 Team Banner

3.5.1 Team Parent's may arrange with their team to make a team banner, banners are encouraged but not mandatory, something simple that includes the team name, names of the players, Managers, Coaches and Team Parents. Sponsors' Name may be included, if desired.

3.5.2 Team Parent may collect money from parents for costs incurred. Please try to keep the costs low.

3.6 Clean-Up

3.7.1 Assist manager and encourage players and parents to clean up all trash at the end of games and practices.

3.7.2 Fields used for games and practices are monitored by the schools. Please be conscience of this, any neglect by us to keep facilities clean may cause us to lose field privileges.

3.8 Sponsors

3.8.1 Each team is responsible for one full sponsorship of \$250.00. Each child and/or team meeting the requirement for sponsors will be rewarded.

3.9 Yearbook

3.9.1 Team parents are responsible for creating a 2-page Yearbook page for their team. It is encouraged that you let parents know in order to collect pictures from team activities and to get assistance with designing of page.

3.9.2 Due dates for pages will be announced. Originals will be returned.

3.10 Suggestions

3.10.1 At the beginning of the season collect one lump from the parents for all costs for the team. This amount should include costs for: banner, printing of last name on jersey, Manager gifts, Player gifts, or any special team events planned.

3.10.2 Collect amount designated from parents ASAP.

3.10.3 Team Parents/Manager are accountable to the team for misuse of funds

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4.0 Player/ Parent Responsibilities

4.1 Behavior and Attendance

- 4.1.1 It is the parents' responsibility to assure the players attendance at practice and games, and of their child's behavior.
- 4.1.2 Excessive absences from practices or games and/or continuous unruly behavior exhibited by the player or parent may result in disciplinary action against the player or parent. Penalty may be as severe as expulsion from WPB.

4.2 Promptness

- 4.2.1 Parents must have players at practice at least five minutes before practice begins and be at the field at least five minutes before practice if over. Players should never be left at games or practice without at least two adults present for proper supervision and protection.
- 4.2.2 For games, players should be on the fields at least 30 minutes before the start of the game.
- 4.2.1 It is the parent's responsibility to inform the manager, coach, or team parent if a player will miss a practice or game, not the player's.

4.3 Support

- 4.3.1 Most managers/coaches, many of them first year managers/coaches, need help during practices. Parents are encouraged to help during practices or games.
- 4.3.2 Support your player's team in a positive way by attending practices and games.
- 4.3.3 Let the managers/coaches coach and no heckling of the players, coaches, or umpires.
- 4.3.4 Parents please make your coach aware of your player's health problems or special needs.
- 4.3.5 Players are to attend games in their full uniform. Failure to do so may result in the player sitting out a game.
- 4.3.6 Uniforms should not be worn to practices.

4.4 Games

- 4.4.1 Games are played when scheduled and on-time.
- 4.4.2 Cancellation of games due to weather will be rescheduled, if possible.
- 4.4.3 Manager or Team Parents will be informed if there is a cancellation of a game and will then notify you the player parent.
- 4.4.4 Failure of a team to show up for a scheduled game will result in forfeiture.

4.5 Parent Duties

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- 4.5.1 Team Parents and Managers will require each player parent to perform some task to help the team.
- 4.5.2 Each team is required to work snack shack duty & field maintenance.
- 4.5.3 The player parents will help the team and WPB, Inc. run smoothly by volunteering their time for one or more tasks.
- 4.5.4 Cooperation will be noted by the Board of Directors.
- 4.5.5 Excessive refusal to help the team will be reported to the Board by Managers or Team Parents.

4.6 Parents/Spectators

- 4.6.1 All spectators are required to be off the field of play, no spectators are allowed on the field, except in emergency situations (injuries).
- 4.6.2 All spectators will behave in a civil and sportsmanlike manner.
- 4.6.3 Specifically prohibited are:
 - 4.6.3.1.1 Obscene language and/or gestures, offensive cheers towards players.
 - 4.6.3.1.2 Personal attacks of a verbal or physical nature.
 - 4.6.3.1.3 Continued excessive harassment
 - 4.6.3.1.4 Any form of intoxication, or consumption of alcoholic beverages, including the use of controlled substances.
 - 4.6.3.1.5 Violation of these rules may result in a Field Director or Umpire or Board Member making the spectator leave the field and further disciplinary action as set forth in the Operations Manual.

4.7 Pets

- 4.7.1 **Animals are not allowed on the playing fields. Leave your pets at home. This is a school district policy at Granada Middle School and a city ordinance at York Field.**

4.8 Watch your kids

- 4.8.1 Siblings tend to get bored during games. Make sure they are entertained and out of trouble. Parents are fully responsible.
- 4.8.2 Bronco and Mustang (M2) field. Make sure your children are not playing within 10 yards of the fences or throwing objects over the fences.
- 4.8.3 Complaints by neighbors will also result in disciplinary action for your team and could result in loss of field use.
- 4.8.4 **Bicycles, skateboards, scooters, and roller skates are prohibited on school grounds. Failure to comply with this may result in confiscation of above-mentioned items.**

4.9 Uniforms/Equipment

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- 4.9.1 Whittier Pony Baseball supplies full uniforms to all players in our league; the uniforms consist of jersey, cap, belt, socks and grey pants. WPB does not allow players to modify or change our uniforms. Teams may pick the color of their sleeves that are worn underneath the jersey. Any change in caps must match what was given to players, by the league, so all players match.
- 4.9.2 Whittier Pony Managers and Coaches are required to wear a representative team color jersey and/or cap in order to identify them as a coach in the dugout, as well as when they are on the field.
- 4.9.3 Baseball pants (voucher for pants will be issued, redeemable at Sargent's).
- 4.9.2 A player's uniform will consist of the above-mentioned articles in addition to cleats and a glove. No metal cleats are allowed, except in Bronco, Pony and Colt divisions. This combination will be worn at all scheduled games.
- 4.9.3 Player numbers will appear on the back of the jersey. No numbers may be duplicated within a team.
- 4.9.4 Team parents may collect money to have the players last names placed on the jerseys.
- 4.9.5 Parents are responsible for the replacement of a uniform item that has been lost or damaged.
- 4.9.6 The use of game uniforms during practice is not permitted.

5.0 Player Distribution Plans

5.1 Rating of Players

- 5.1.1 All player ratings are the sole responsibility of the Player Agent and will be distributed upon entering the draft.

5.2 Freezes

- 5.2.1 Shetland teams are allowed 5 freezes.
- 5.2.2 Pinto, Mustang, Bronco & Pony teams are allowed (3) player freezes. Brother options count as an additional freeze.
- 5.2.3 All freezes are required to tryout with the exception of the Pony Division.
- 5.2.4 Managers will submit their freeze forms signed by the players parents at the date specified by the player agent, to their commissioner.
- 5.2.5 The child/children of the approved Manager/Coach will be an automatic freeze. The child cannot be put into the draft. No exceptions.

5.3 Pinto-Pony Draft Procedure

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- 5.3.1 Each team will have a Board Approved Manager and one Board Approved Coach, if desired, present during draft.
- 5.3.2 Upon entering the draft, each Manager will blind draw a number from a hat for draft order purposes and will be seated in order.
- 5.3.3 In draft order, starting with seat #1, the Manager's 1st freeze will be placed on the team according to his rating.
- 5.3.4 In draft order, starting with seat #1, the Manager's 2nd freeze will be placed on the team according to his rating.
- 5.3.5 In draft order, starting with seat #1, the Manager's 3rd freeze will be placed on the team according to his rating.
- 5.3.6 After all freezes have been completed, return to draft order, seat #1.
- 5.3.7 If seat #1 has a #1 position draft open, then the team will draft their #1 pick. If the team has already placed their #1 team pick, then you move on to seat #2. Follow this process in draft order until every team has their #1 position filled.
- 5.3.8 After completion of first round drafts, the last seat in draft order will pick first for the second round. If the team has already placed their #2 team pick, then you move on to the next to last seat in draft order. Follow this process in descending draft order, until every team has their #2 position filled. (Example: if you had 10 teams in a division, the first round drafting would begin with team #1 and proceed to 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9, and 10. After #10 drafts his first round pick, they would begin the second round of drafting. The second round drafting would begin with team #10 and proceed to 9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2, and 1.)
- 5.3.9 After the completion of the second round drafts, seat #1 drafts first in the third round and you continue on as explained above until all children in the draft have been chosen.
- 5.3.10 Players who do not try out will not be part of the draft. Their names will be placed in a hat and will be drawn randomly and then placed on teams requiring additional players.
- 5.3.11 (Colt) WPB approved manager may select players from the expanded boundaries designated by Pony Baseball.
- 5.3.12 (Pony) Registered age eligible high school players can participate in Pony League play and may be eligible for all stars. They will have to play in 1/3 of remaining season games.

5.4 Shetland Distribution Plan

- 5.4.1 Managers and Coaches will have their own player(s) placed on their team.
- 5.4.2 Parents may request, at sign-ups, their player be placed with a specific Manager. The Board, Player Agent, or Commissioner does not guarantee this.
- 5.4.3 Parents may request, at sign-ups, their player be placed with another specific player. The Player Agent will attempt to accommodate, but not guarantee this, due to freeze requirements.
- 5.4.4 Teams will have no less than 11 players and may have up to 15 players. The Player Agent is authorized to adjust this number when necessary.

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- 5.4.5 After all Manager requests have been honored, to the best of the Player Agent's and Commissioner's ability, the remaining players will be divided into teams based age and their home address, zip code, and school.
- 5.4.6 The Commissioner will try to place the same amount of second year players on each team, where possible.
- 5.4.7 Practices/Games
 - 5.4.7.1 Practices will be twice a week before and during the season.
 - 5.4.7.2 Games will be played twice a week. One (1) during the week (Monday through Thursday) and one (1) on Saturday.