

NYFA Draft/Team Selection Policy

1. Team Composition and Limitations:
 - a. Coaching staff size:
 - i. Following the Great Plains Youth Football league *GPYF900* rule.
 1. One (1) head coach.
 2. Five (5) assistant coaches.
 - ii. Head coach and two (2) assistant coaches are predetermined before draft/team selection.
 - iii. The remaining assistant coaches are filled from team parents after the teams have been drafted/selected.
 - iv. NYFA teams may utilize more than six (6) total coaches during practice, but only six (6) may be on the sidelines during the games, per *GPYF900*.
 - b. Team roster size:
 - i. Following the *GPYF900* rule.
 1. Thirty-two (32) players maximum.
 - ii. NYFA guideline, twenty-five (25) players.
 - iii. A twenty-five (25) player roster equals a minimum of five (5) players from the younger age/grade.
 - iv. The predetermined head coach and two (2) assistant coaches' players are automatically assigned to their team before draft/team selection
 - v. Following *GPYF300* rule:
 1. A minimum of twenty-percent (20%) of a team's players must be from the younger age/grade group.
 2. If a program has two (2) or more teams playing at a specific combination division, they must split talent as equally as possible between teams so that all teams are equally competitive. This must be accomplished while still maintaining a minimum of twenty- percent (20%) of its players from the younger grade that comprises the respective division.
 - vi. Teams in the same age division must have an equal number of players of the same age. One team shall not roster more older players than the rest of teams in the same age division.
2. Brothers may be packaged together on the same team if they are in the same age/grade group.
3. Every NYFA player shall be drafted annually. There will be no "keeper" or "hold over" players.
4. The returning coach(es) with the least number of wins from the previous season will pick first, followed by the coach(es) with the second least number of wins, and so on.

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5. All new players to NYFA must be placed into the draft.
6. Late player registrants will be placed on the team with the next draft pick.
 - a. The president may assign a late registrant to a team out of order due to players quitting or due to injuries.
7. The head coach and one (1) assistant coach is permitted to be at the draft. A minimum of three (3) non-coaching board members shall be present at the draft.
8. Timeline for draft/team selection:
 - a. First week of practice:
 - i. All players will practice together;
 - ii. Coaches begin the evaluation process.
 - b. First Sunday after practice begins the draft/team selection will occur:
 - i. Coin toss will decide which team chooses first.
 - c. First practice after the draft/team selection:
 - i. Players and parents are notified of team assignments.

*****This policy was adopted by the NYFA Board of Directors on March 15, 2022*****

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