



## Colchester Baseball and Softball League (CBSL)

### Division Change Request Policy

To promote consistency and transparency, the following describes our approach for a player who is interested in playing in a division different from their little league age assigned division.

If you would like to request your child play in a division (either younger or older) other than his or her little league age assigned division, please submit an email request to the player agent at **playeragent@cbsl.org**. Players who are league age 12 must play in the Major Division unless specific permission is granted by the Little League District Administrator. Players who are League Age 12 must complete the *Little League® Regulation V (a) Waiver Request Form for 12-Year-Old Participation in Minor Division* form.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. There is no guarantee that a player will play at a different level.
2. CBSL will only allow players to participate in a younger division if it is assessed that there is a safety concern to the requesting player if he or she plays in the little league age assigned division.
3. CBSL's decisions to place a player into an older division will be based on skill evaluation and include factors such as:
  - a. Safety of the requesting players, other players and other personnel,
  - b. League registration numbers,
  - c. Prior experience in little league and other baseball programs,
  - d. Previous manager/coach input & recommendations,
  - e. Little League Baseball qualities including citizenship, discipline, teamwork and physical well-being, baseball knowledge, competition level,
  - f. Impact on other players, coaches & officials,
  - g. Player maturity level, and,
  - h. Other considerations deemed appropriate to an accurate placement.
4. Players requesting to play up are subject to Little League International and CBSL local rules governing limits and restrictions on ages and/or the number of specific age groups that may move to a higher division along with any other restrictions including pitching, field positioning, playing time, etc.
5. The requesting player will be required to participate in skills assessments for BOTH the age assigned division AND the requested division (whether younger or older).

Failure to participate in both will likely result in a failure to qualify for placement in an alternate division.

6. Approval is determined by the assessors, player agent and baseball/softball directors. Any decision by the League President is final.

If you have any questions about this policy, please contact the CBSL Player Agent at [playeragent@cbsl.org](mailto:playeragent@cbsl.org).