Bondurant Little League Softball Playing Up Policy

Bondurant Little League - Girls Softball is a recreational league with its mission is to provide an environment where youth can have fun developing their skills knowledge and appreciation for the game of softball. The Board is committed to creating appropriate divisions and will consider all requests to change divisions very carefully.

All players must first be registered with Bondurant Little League in their natural age division until approval to play up is obtained. Divisions are created by your child's softball age based on birth date, NOT grade or actual age. To find your child's softball age, click <u>HERE</u>.

Any requests to play up must be made via e-mail to the softball director by February1st of the upcoming season. Parents should contact the Softball director at <u>softballdirector@bondurantlittleleague.org</u>.

All players requesting to play up to either the Minors or Majors divisions must participate in a skills assessment where each girl will be evaluated on softball fundamentals, skills, strength and knowledge of the game. This is typically held in February with evaluations conducted by all Minors/Majors coaches and the Softball board. The skills assessment will include throwing, catching, hitting, and base-running drills. Players not evaluated during this assessment will not be given the chance to play in the higher division and the request to play up will be denied.

Players requesting to play up to the Rookies division will be reviewed and evaluated by the Softball Board.

The final decision for play ups will be made by the Softball Board and will use the evaluations by the coaches and softball board (Minors/Majors), as well as the registration number of players in each division, to determine on an individual basis if the play up request will be approved or denied.

If players are not determined eligible for a higher division for any reason, they will be included in the division based on their softball age.

The results of each play up request will be communicated individually within a week after the skills assessment. Any questions or concerns can be addressed with the Softball Director, League President or Player Agent listed on our contacts page.

The policy will be in effect for the 2017 season and thereafter, until amended.