

## **2017 Team Formation Guidelines & Rules**

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Team selection process must be approved by Centex committee before teams allowed into Centex tournaments.

- 1) All players must have been registered with the association they are planning to play for in Centex for the spring season of the current year. They must have played for a recreational team during the spring season at that associations and must have participated in at least half of their team events during that spring season.
- 2) If a player has played for an open, select or tournament team in a sanctioned tournament like Nations, Super Series, USSSA, Triple Crowne or other between March 1<sup>st</sup> 2017, and June 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 they are not eligible to be placed on a Centex All Star team.
- 3) If an association separates talent into an upper and lower division in an age group (like American and National) any team coming out of the upper division must enter as a D I team. If a team has a player from a "National" division or "AAA" division that team must play in Division I.
- 4) If an association is selecting a team from a pool of 4 teams or less and entering only one team that team will have the option to enter the series as either a division I or II team. If entering only one team in an age group from a pool larger than 4 teams that team must start play in Division I. If entering more than one team in an age group at least one team must be entered in the DI division. The Centex committee my move teams after pool play if requested by the association and approved by the committee.
- 5) Teams chosen from a pool of 4 teams or fewer may not have more than 5 players from any one team. Teams chosen from a pool of 5 or more teams may not have more than 4 players from any one team. No more than 6 players on the Centex roster can have played on the same team in any non league game between March 1, 2017 and May 13, 2017.
- 6) Players must be listed on the team official registration form; coaches must have a copy at the game. Players may not switch teams and players cannot be added to the roster after turning in the form.
- 7) No Centex team can play or practice together before May 13<sup>th</sup> 2017
- 8) Any exception to the above team formation rules must be approved by the 3 person rules committee prior to the beginning of pool play.
- 9) Teams, Coaches or Players found to be in violation of any of the above rules will be subject to penalties deemed appropriate by the 3 person rules committee which will include suspension and or exclusion from any or all Centex events and games.