

# How to Hand out Uniforms to Players

Here is my recommendation for how to hand out uniforms:

**Note:** some players (even parents) will want a specific uniform number, that's up to you to decide and accommodate. WE CANNOT ORDER REPLACEMENT JERSEYS

I recommend: "you get what you get"

Let parents know the practice date when uniforms will be handed out, make it a "mandatory attendance"

Choose the second practice of the week (unless more players can show up for the first)

Organize all the uniforms by size – shorts (by size) and jerseys (by size and number)

Use the last 15-20 minutes of practice and move to an open area so to not bother the next team that's practicing

**Note:** Kids get excited when they get their uniforms (it's like herding cats)

Line up the players in order of height

**Note:** if you're going to try to give a player a certain number, this is where you move them to the place in line where that number will fall. Numbers go from #2-#11(for example)

If a player can't attend practice that day, use your best estimate to give them a jersey that will fit them in comparison to the rest of the team – especially if they are the smallest or biggest.

**Note:** in the line, keep a gap or a volunteer in that player's place

In 10U, for example, there are 10 uniforms, each uniform pack has 1 Youth Small, 4 Youth Mediums, and 5 Youth Large

If you have 9 players, save a "medium" jersey in case you get additional player.

Last year, players were given a String Bag, if they have that or a backpack, please have them bring it.

Hand out the socks or place in Bag

Hand out the shorts by size, place in Bag

Hand out the jerseys by size and number

**Note:** As you hand them out, have an assistant write the player and number

DO NOT let players exchange jerseys unless you mark down the number

Double check the player and jersey number before they leave

Keep them in line, hold their jersey with the number facing you and take a picture.

It's required to have the player and number when filling out Game Cards.