

SECTION VIII - SELECTION OF TOURNAMENT (ALL STAR) TEAMS

- A. The All Star Committee shall be comprised of the President, league Vice-president, and Player Agent. The purpose of this committee is to oversee the selection of All Star Teams and coaching staffs.
- B. Method of Selecting All Star Teams.
 1. Each year, All Star team selections will be made in a way that offers the best opportunity for tournament success for that year's Blue Team as well as the benefit of providing tournament experience for next year with younger-age players on the Red Team. Prior to the submission of nominees for All Star voting, the All Star Committee will determine procedures that best balance these goals. Based on the number of players available in each league, the overall talent of those players in each age group within the league, and the availability of qualified All Star coaches, the All Star Committee will determine whether to form traditional All Star teams or a traditional team and a younger age-specific All Star team (e.g. Pony-13, Bronco-11, etc.). If one traditional team and a younger, age-specific are formed, the committee will decide if nomination and selection to the traditional team will be comprised of players of both ages within the league or only the older age players. The All Star Committee decisions will be made available to the managers of each of the league's teams prior to submission of nominees for All Star voting.
 2. The All Star teams will consist of thirteen to fifteen players. Prior to the selection meeting, the manager of each of the league's teams will submit to the All Star Committee, the names of players from his team who are deserving of being on the league's All Star teams and who meet PONY tournament eligibility requirements. Every effort should be made to nominate only players who will commit to being available for the entire All Star season. If the decision is made to only form traditional teams, each team manager shall submit a list of up to five players of either age within that league. If the decision is made to form both a traditional and a younger age team for a league, each team manager shall submit a list of up to five players of the older age for that league for the traditional team and a separate list up to five players of the younger age for the age-specific team.
 3. The All Star Committee will prepare a ballot of all players nominated for traditional teams and separate ballots for younger, age-specific teams. Each team will be allowed one vote, cast by each team's manager or his representative, for 15 players. The 10 players receiving the most votes will automatically be placed on the All Star team – primary, traditional Blue team or younger, age-specific team. The All Star team manager will then be selected as described in Section VIII. B. 9. Within two days, the All Star team manager (with input from the coach and business manager) will select two eligible players from the remaining list of All Star nominees and any additional eligible players from either the remaining list of All Star nominees or from the entire league roster of eligible players. Eligible players must meet age requirements set forth in Pony Tournament Rules and Regulations for traditional and age-specific teams.
 4. If a second traditional All Star team is formed in a league, the process used in Section VIII. B. 3. will be extended to vote on enough players for a second team. The number of additional players voted on will be decided by the All Star Committee based on the total number of players nominated. The second traditional team will initially consist of the 8 players with the most votes who were not selected for the primary All Star team. Two days after the All Star vote has occurred (by which time the full primary All Star team must have been selected), the All Star committee will select the second team's manager. The second team's manager

(with input from the coach and business manager) will select 3 players from the remaining list of eligible All Star nominees. Any additional players may be selected from either the remaining list of eligible All Star nominees or from the entire league roster of eligible players.

5. The rosters of all all-star teams must be approved by the respective All Star Committee prior to announcement. Once selected, the manager and his staff may not cut or release any player without the approval of the All Star Committee.
6. Three additional players may be selected by each All Star team manager starting with the remaining list of eligible All Star nominees. These players must be notified they are alternate players and not actual all star team players. They may practice with their All Star team. Alternates may not be elevated to actual roster status unless one or more of the original All Star players are removed from the roster; they meet PONY replacement of tournament player rules, and are approved by the All Star Committee.
7. Each player and the player's parent or guardian will be required to sign an All Star team contract committing to availability for the entire All Star season and agreeing not to play in any tournament for any other team until his/her All Star team has played its last game. If this contract is violated, the All Star Committee may take appropriate disciplinary action such as removing the player from the All Star team and declaring him/her ineligible for All Star play the following year.
8. All players will be required to pay an All Star team registration fee to help defray the additional costs incurred. This fee will be established by the Executive Board and must be paid prior to the first tournament game.
9. The All Star team coaching staff will consist of a manager, coach, and business manager. The Pinto All Star team may add a dugout coach. The manager will be selected following selection of the All Star team(s) as described in Sections VIII. B. 2. and 3. With the approval of the All Star Committee, the manager receiving the most votes will be the primary All Star team manager. Should the All Star committee disapprove the vote's results, the manager with the second-most votes will be appointed. The All Star team manager will then select the coach and business manager from the remaining managers and principal coaches. Every effort should be made to choose All Star coaches and business managers from regular season managers and principal coaches. The All Star Committee may authorize a departure from this standard if the need arises due to a limited availability of managers or principal coaches.
10. Each manager, coach, and business manager will be required to sign an All Star contract committing to availability for the entire All Star season and including a personal conduct statement. Without the prior approval of the All Star committee, any violations of this contract may be grounds for discipline action by the All Star Committee and the league.