

# DIVISIONS OF PLAY – GENERAL GUIDE

Please note: the age range is a general guide, being of a certain age does not automatically place you in a division. For example, if you are league age 11 and you sign up for majors and at tryouts it is determined that for your safety and development you should play minors that will be feedback.

League Age	Divisions			
	Tee-Ball	Coach Pitch	Minors	Majors
4	YES			
5	YES	Advanced		
6	Developing	YES	Highly Advanced	
7		YES	Advanced	
8		Developing	YES	
9			YES	Highly Advanced
10			Developing	Advanced
11				YES
12				YES

League Age =

Baseball: your league age is your age at 9/1 of the prior year

Softball: your league age is your age as of the start of the year

YES – As a general guide a player would start at **league** age 4 and spend two years at each level. The ‘YES’ indicates on average this is the level you should play at given your league age.

Advanced – The player has demonstrated skills that are somewhat above average skills and has the ability to protect themselves at higher levels. Choice of divisions at this point is really determined by what is best for the player in terms of development and also by number of players in divisions.

Highly Advanced – See ‘Advanced’ above. This reflects that the player’s skills are advanced to a point where they would fall into the category of advanced for players a year ahead of them.

Developing – Indicates that the player is still developing the skills needed to play at the next division level and would be better served developing those skills at the level for another year. This can be for a variety of reasons, ex. New to little league. The ultimate decision behind it is player safety and enjoyment.

## Tee Ball

First introduction to little league. The focus is on learning basic skills at a very beginner level. The ball is placed on a tee for the player to hit.

Available for: Baseball

## Coach Pitch

The next level after tee-ball where players now face pitching by a coach. At this level players start to learn baserunning and situational skills. This fundamental level is **HIGHLY** recommended for at least one year for players before signing up for minors.

Available for: Baseball and Softball

## Minors

Players will face pitching from other players at this level so it is essential that they have the ability to protect themselves and it is recommended that they have prior little league experience. The primary goal of minor softball is developing the needed skills to eventually progress into the major division.

Available for: Baseball and Softball

## Majors

Majors is for players who are refining all the skills they have been building up in the Minor divisions in this next stage of competition. Also known as the Little League Division.

Available for: Baseball and Softball