

Player Ratings

Remember that part of our AYSO Philosophy is Balanced Teams. Toward that end, accurate and fair ratings are essential.

EACH COACH SHALL ANNOUNCE THEIR PROPOSED RATINGS AT THE MANDATORY RATINGS MEETING (SCHEDULED BY THE BOARD AND CHAIRED BY THE DIVISION COORDINATOR). ALL COACHES PRESENT SHALL DISCUSS, PROVIDE ADDITIONAL RELEVANT OBSERVATIONS, AND ALLOW RATINGS TO BE ADJUSTED AS NEEDED TO ASSURE ACCURACY AND CONSISTENCY.

Remember when you drafted, or when the computer drafted your team for you, there were not a large number of excellent players and therefore, despite your record, not every player on your team is excellent. Similarly, even if you lost every game, not every player on your team is weak.

First, separate your older players from your younger players and rank them from most desirable to least desirable (i.e. if you could have any player on your team back, who would you pick first, second, etc.). If a younger player is ranked first, they will probably be one of the better returning players next year and should be rated accordingly. Try to identify (and base your ratings on) the players in the league you believe are the best. Do not base your ratings on how a player compares to only the other players on your team. You are comparing each player to all the players in your division within that age group (older against older and younger against younger).

The rating scale in each of the five categories is from 1 to 10, 1 being poor and 10 being excellent. An average rating on that scale is 5.5 for each category, so choose whether that player is above or below average and rate accordingly. EVERY DIVISION MUST HAVE AT LEAST ONE "50" RATED OLDER PLAYER AND AT LEAST ONE "50" RATED YOUNGER PLAYER. THE LOWEST RATED OLDER AND YOUNGER PLAYERS SHALL EACH BE RATED A "5". THE RATINGS CURVE SHOULD THEN APPROXIMATE A STANDARD BELL CURVE WITH AN AVERAGE RATING OF ABOUT 27-1/2 WITH ABOUT 15 OLDER PLAYERS RATED 42 OR ABOVE AND ABOUT 15 YOUNGER PLAYERS RATED 42 OR ABOVE, depending on how many teams / players are in the division.

DIRECTIONS: Read the entire page before beginning and use pencil.

1. In the upper left hand corner enter your name and your team number.
2. Circle the division and check the gender of your team .
3. In the first column enter the names of your older players first (to the left margin) then the younger players (toward the right margin). If you are using the revised form, list players moving up next year (olders) on top and players returning to this division next year (youngers) on the bottom.
4. Next, enter a rating for each player in the "Basic Skills" category.
5. Next, enter a rating for each player in the "Advanced Skills" category. Continue to enter a rating for each successive category and base your rating on the description at the bottom of the form.
6. Add the results from each of the five categories and put that result in the "Total Rating" section for each player.
7. Determine your team's overall rating average and enter the result next to the "Team Rating Average" box. (Add up all the individual player "Total Ratings" and divide the result by the number of players on your team.)
8. Remember to use pencil and be prepared to discuss, defend and / or revise your ratings at the mandatory ratings meeting.