



Picking up players Policy

To avoid a Forfeit and to play at full strength
ONLY ALLOWED IN REGULAR SEASON.

IF a team is shorthanded, but has a minimum number of players (see list below), including one female, they may pick up players from teams playing in the previous game (or from any team within the league). If no players can be picked up, you still can play as long as you meet the minimum number of players (& females) needed to play as described in current rules (detailed below). When picking up players, you **MUST** inform the opposing captain & referee. Failure to do so will result in a warning; second occurrence may result in forfeit.

Pick up players must be on a roster within your league. You cannot pick up extra players, so only 5 total players for Basketball, 11 for outdoor soccer, etc. If one of your regular players shows up late, one of the pickup players must stop playing. Exception: In Floor Hockey, if your regular goalie is unavailable to play, you are allowed to pick one up from any team in the league. Using illegal or extra players will result in forfeit. Exception: if a team is short women they would be allowed to pick up missing women from the previous game. So a team could have extra men, and still be allowed to pick up a female player, if short handed. You must have 1 woman present in order to pick up the additional female or it is a forfeit, with the exception of Basketball & 4v4 volleyball.

Protesting: If your team thinks that the opponent picked-up too many people, or neglected to inform you & the referee, or that an illegal player was used; you must bring it to the attention of the referee **BEFORE** the game is over. The referee will note the protest and talk to the opposing team after the game, the referee will **NOT** make a decision on the protest but will gather information and forward to BSSC, so the BSSC staff person can decide the appropriate penalty.

The Reason for this rule is that we get the feeling that teams would rather play against full strength teams and not play a short handed team, or worse yet receive a forfeit and not play. Everyone is there to play and have fun. This rule allows you to pick up players already in the league but not "outsiders or ringers" that have not signed the waiver form and are not familiar with the league rules. This rule will not be in effect for outdoor softball or the volleyball leagues (unless using the 1 hour format). For sports listed below, this rule will only be in effect during regular season, in order to participate in playoffs a player **MUST** be on the roster and have played in the minimum number of games.

Below are details regarding the number of players needed to be present in order to pick up players from the previous game (if these numbers cannot be met, it is a forfeit):

One of the players present **MUST** be a female if it is a coed sport.

Teams that play with 4 players at a time: 4 v 4 Volleyball -

Must have 2 rostered players present to be able to pick up players.

Can play with as few as 2 to avoid forfeit

Teams that play with 5 players at a time: Basketball, Floor Hockey & 5 v 5 Indoor Soccer -
Must have 3 rostered players present to be able to pick up players.
Can play with as few as 3 to avoid forfeit

Teams that play with 6 players at a time: All coed Flag Football & 6 v 6 Indoor & Outdoor Soccer

Must have 4 rostered players present to be able to pick up players.

Can play with as few as 4 to avoid forfeit

Teams that play with 7 players at a time: 7 v 7 Outdoor Soccer

Must have 5 rostered players present to be able to pick up players.

Can play with as few as 5 to avoid forfeit

Teams that play with 8 players at a time: Indoor Softball, Touch Football

Must have 5 rostered players present to be able to pick up players.

Can play with as few as 6 to avoid forfeit

Teams that play with 10 players at a time: Kickball

Must have 6 rostered players present to be able to pick up players.

Can play with as few as 8 to avoid forfeit

Teams that play with 11 players at a time: 11 v 11 Outdoor Soccer

Must have 7 rostered players present to be able to pick up players.

Can play with as few as 8 to avoid forfeit