

Realignment Guidelines Pertaining to EX Teams Playing In Shakeout Seasons

Adopted 11/17/2014 by majority agreement of the Realignment Committee

Point of competition:

- To allow for teams to play in the League and to further allow for all eligible players to participate who wish to, in an age-appropriate manner.
- All of the teams and players shall abide by a common set of rules to allow for the best competition and development for all, with safe and fair play.
- Team's results and competition must not be considered on the same level if they are not competing under the same set of rules or restrictions.

Therefore, the following amendments are added to the Realignment Guidelines, effective 11/17/2014

12. •EX teams (teams granted exceptions from the 7 true-age player rule in #5 of the Realignment Guidelines) will be allowed to play in Shake Out competitions, given the consideration that there is no Select division in any Shake Out competition.

•All games in any Shake Out competition that involve EX teams will be played, but scores recorded in favor of EX teams' opponents with a score of 4-0, so as not to adversely affect the standings when including a team (or teams) which do not abide by the same rules and restrictions as all others in the Shake Out competition.

•EX teams do not count towards the promotion through the Shake Out procedure. The EX teams will assume the last position in every group they participate in at every level of the Shake Out competition. This assures them the ability to play all games and competition without compromising the integrity of the intent of the Shake Out procedure.

End of Amendment