



## Selection and Divisional Placement Criteria 2011 FALL SEASON Girls Age Groups (Under 15 through Under 18)

The following procedures outline the specific steps taken to approve teams for the MRL and assign such teams into MRL Divisions for the **Girls Under 15 through Under 18 Age Groups** in the 2011 Fall Season. At the discretion of the MRL Commissioner, some steps may be skipped if not needed. The MRL Technical Committee, consisting of three (3) State Directors of Coaching (DOC's), works closely with the remaining Region II DOC's in reviewing all team applications and to bring the process to conclusion.

**Premier Divisions** have been established based on the results of previous MRL play.

### **Round #1**

1. The MRL shall review all returning Premier Division slotted team applications for any discrepancies and shall confirm that slot are being retained by returning teams. U-15 teams are slotted based on U-14 MRL performance, U-16 teams are slotted based on U-15 MRL performance, U-17 teams are slotted based on U-16 MRL performance and U-18 teams are slotted based on U-17 MRL performance.
2. In the event that one or more pre-qualified Premier Division teams fail to re-enter for the 2011 Fall Season, the MRL Technical Committee/Commission shall determine which additional team(s) shall be accepted into the appropriate 2011 Fall Season Premier Division.
3. In the Girls Under 16 through 18 age groups, the pool of teams to be considered include:
  - 2010 Fall Season First Division teams that did not earn promotion
  - 2010 Fall Season Premier Division teams that were relegated
  - New 2011 Fall Teams that are State Cup Champions in their respective State Association and participated in the 2011 Regionals

Additional teams may also be considered to insure to the highest standard in the Premier Division.

In the Girls Under 15 age group, the pool of teams to be considered include:

- 2011 Spring Season First Division teams that did not earn promotion
  - 2011 Spring Season Premier Division teams that were relegated
  - New 2011 Fall Teams that are State Cup Champions in their respective State Association and participated in the 2011 Regionals
- Additional teams may also be considered to insure to the highest standard in the Premier Division.
4. If additional teams are proposed to be added to the Premier Division, a list of such teams is distributed to state DOC's for comment. (If no additional teams are proposed, then the process skips to Round #3 No. 3)

### **Round #2**

1. Any feedback from the State DOC's is reviewed.
2. Any team information -- provided directly or upon request -- in support of a change in divisional assignment is reviewed.
3. DOC's are contacted in person to discuss teams with discrepant numbers / rankings / placement.
4. The Premier Division(s) are reformulated (if needed).
5. The revised information is sent to the State DOC's for further review, investigation, and comment (if needed).

### **Round #3 (if needed)**

1. Any feedback from the State DOC's is reviewed
2. The "final" assignment of teams into Premier Divisions is completed.

### **Round #4**

1. Submit to MRL Commission for final review and approval.
2. Submit to MRL Commissioner for posting.

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**First Divisions** for these age groups is determined as follows:

### **Round #1**

1. The results of each state cup for the National Championship Series are recorded for each team.
2. Teams are assigned with a "1" (champion), "2" (finalist), "3" (semi-finalist), or "other" ranking.
3. Where applicable, a team's record (W-L-T / GD) from the most recent Regional Cup is noted.
4. Where applicable, a team's position in their host state league is noted.
5. Teams are assigned a ranking within their State Association by their respective State DOC.
6. There is a preliminary elimination of any unqualified teams.
7. The preliminary geographic First Division placements are sent to the State DOC's for comment.

### **Round #2**

1. Any feedback from the State DOC's is reviewed.
2. Any team information -- provided directly or upon request -- in support of a change in divisional assignment is reviewed.
3. DOC's are contacted in person to discuss teams with discrepant numbers / rankings / placement.
4. The First Divisions are reformulated (if needed).
5. The revised information is sent to the State DOC's for further review, investigation, and comment. (if needed)

### **Round #3 (if needed)**

1. Any feedback from the State DOC's is reviewed.
2. The "final" assignment of teams into First Divisions is completed.
3. As required, teams are assigned to First Division sub-divisions, geographically

### **Round #4**

1. Submit to MRL Commission for final review and approval.
2. Submit to MRL Commissioner for posting.

**Selection and Divisional Placement Criteria  
2011 FALL SEASON  
Girls and Boys Under 14 Age Groups**

The following procedures outline the specific steps taken to approve teams for the MRL and assign such teams into MRL Divisions for the **Girls Under 14 and Boys Under 14 Age Groups** in the 2011 Fall Season. The MRL Technical Committee, consisting of three (3) State Directors of Coaching (DOC's), works closely with the remaining Region II DOC's in reviewing all team applications and to bring the process to conclusion.

**Divisions** for these age groups are determined as follows:

**Round #1**

1. The results of each state cup for the National Championship Series are recorded for each team.
2. Teams are assigned with a "1" (champion), "2" (finalist), "3" (semi-finalist), or "other" ranking.
3. Where applicable, a team's record (W-L-T / GD) from the most recent Regional Cup is noted.
4. Where applicable, a team's position in their host state league is noted.
5. Teams are assigned a ranking within their State Association by their respective State DOC.
6. There is a preliminary elimination of any unqualified teams.
7. The preliminary geographic Division placements are sent to the State DOC's for comment.

**Round #2**

1. Any feedback from the State DOC's is reviewed.
2. Any team information -- provided directly or upon request -- in support of a change in divisional assignment is reviewed.
3. DOC's are contacted in person to discuss teams with discrepant numbers / rankings / placement.
4. The Divisions are reformulated (if needed)
5. The revised information is sent to the State DOC's for further review, investigation, and comment (if needed).

**Round #3 (if needed)**

1. Any feedback from the State DOC's is reviewed.
2. The "final" assignment of teams into Divisions is completed.

**Round #4**

1. Submit to MRL Commission for final review and approval.
2. Submit to MRL Commissioner for posting.

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