

SMHA – Bantam BB Draft Protection Rules

SMHA recognizes the benefits of player protection and allows returning teams to protect an unlimited number of returning players each year.

Accommodating teams' desires to protect players from the previous season, however, cannot come at the expense of maintaining competitive balance in SMHA leagues. The Protection Rules below have been put in place to discourage players from participating in leagues that are not suited to their talent level.

In addition to the official SMHA Draft Rules, the following rules apply to 'BB' Bantam teams for the 2010/11 season.

Note: No protections will be allowed in SMHA House Leagues in 2010/11.

1. Teams returning to the 'BB' division from the prior season will be entitled to protect players from the prior season.
2. Teams may protect an unlimited number of eligible players.
3. Each eligible protected player moves up 5 draft positions in the 2010/11 draft from his 2009/10 draft position. If that draft position is already occupied by another protection, the player is assigned to the next lower available round.
4. All protections must be submitted to SMHA prior to the protected player participating in a tryout session.
5. Players who were drafted by their 2009/10 team in **rounds 1 through 10** of the 2009/10 draft can only be protected by their former team if they, (a) participate in the AA tryouts, and (b) are not selected by a team in AA.
6. Players who were drafted by their 2009/10 team in **rounds 1 through 10** of the 2009/10 draft, who do not participate in the next highest division's tryouts, or declare themselves ineligible for the next highest division's draft, cannot be protected by their former team.
7. Teams may apply to the SMHA Executive, in writing, for consideration of circumstances related to #6 above.
8. Players who were drafted by their 2009/10 team in rounds 11 through 18 of the 2008/09 draft can be protected by their former team without participating in the AA tryouts.

SMHA – Midget BB Draft Protection Rules

SMHA recognizes the benefits of player protection and allows teams to protect an unlimited number of returning players each year.

Accommodating teams' desires to protect players from the previous season, however, cannot come at the expense of maintaining competitive balance in SMHA leagues. The Protection Rules below have been put in place to discourage players from participating in leagues that are not suited to their talent level.

In addition to the official SMHA Draft Rules, the following rules apply to 'BB' Midget teams for the 2010/11 season.

Note: No protections will be allowed in SMHA House Leagues in 2010/11.

1. Teams returning to the 'BB' division from the prior season will be entitled to protect players from the prior season.
2. Teams may protect an unlimited number of eligible players.
3. Each eligible protected player moves up 5 draft positions in the 2010/11 draft from his 2009/10 draft position. If that draft position is already occupied by another protection, the player is assigned to the next lower available round.
4. All protections must be submitted to SMHA prior to the protected player participating in a tryout session.
5. Players who were originally drafted by their 2009/10 team in **rounds 1 through 10** in the 2008/09 (3rd yr players), or 2009/10 draft can only be protected by their 2009/10 team if they, (a) participate in the AA tryouts, and (b) are not selected by a team in AA.
6. Players who were originally drafted by their 2009/10 team in **rounds 1 through 10** in the 2008/09, or 2009/10 draft, who do not participate in the AA tryouts, or declare themselves ineligible for the AA draft, cannot be protected by their 2009/10 team.
7. Teams may apply to the SMHA Executive, in writing, for consideration of circumstances related to #6 above.
8. Players who were originally drafted by their 2009/10 team in rounds 11 through 18 in the 2008/09 (third year players), or 2009/10 draft can be protected by their 2009/10 team without participating in the AA tryouts.

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