



Policy Name:	Player Age Division Transfer Policy
Effective Date:	January 20, 2026
Approved by:	SPMB Board

St. Paul Minor Ball (SPMB) aligns with the Baseball Canada and Softball Canada age criteria for each specific division and encourages age appropriate athletic development. SPMB may consider requests for an exemption to the age criteria on a case by case basis.

When making the request, the parents/legal guardians of the minor must acknowledge and accept the risk that, despite the best efforts of SPMB to ensure player safety, underage players may be at an increased risk of injury.

The process for requesting a transfer is as follows:

- Complete registration at appropriate age division
- Complete the “Player Age Division Transfer Request” form after registration. Link to form will be posted on website.
- Player transfer requests will be reviewed by SPMB Executives for approval.
- Prior to a decision, players may be requested to complete practice evaluation with the division that they have requested transfer to.

The following criteria in no particular order and not limited to, may be used in addition to evaluation results to determine appropriate placement:

- Player safety
- Development circumstances of the individual player
- Player placement does not materially disadvantage the balance of the players at their appropriate age division.

The following criteria will not be considered valid justification for a player transfer:

- To play with a sibling or friend
- Issues with coach or other players in appropriate age division
- Parental convenience

The deadline for age division transfer requests is April 1.

SPMB decisions on player age division transfer will be communicated to parents/legal guardians by the Baseball/Softball Director.