Green Team Policies and Procedures

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Softball Club Mission Statement:

The Sun City West Softball club main objective is to promote and welcome new players to the club regardless of a players skill level and abilities. The Green Team program's main objective is to evaluate all new players entering into the softball club. New players receive a league rating which enters the player into the appropriate league based on the players skill level and abilities.

Green Team Coordinator Responsibilities:

- Receive initial contact from a new player via phone call, email, text, field visit, etc.
- Issue new player welcome package via email, club website or at the field.
- Request a sports bio from the new player to assist with the Raters evaluation.
- Establish the Green Team tryout scheduling date and publish on the club website.
- Coordinate with the lead Rater in scheduling the Green Team session & Rater selection.
- Collect softball league membership dues including new player waiver form.
- Orchestrate the Green Team field tryout session.
- Meet with the lead Rater to discuss the new player final rating results.
- Coordinate new player uniforms issued by the league Uniform Manager.
- Discuss rating with new player and issue an exit document for registration process.
- Publish Green Team rating results to AL, CL & NL leagues committee chairs and officials.
- Publish the Green Team rating results on the club website.
- Guide & assist the new player through the Sports Engine registration process.
- Guide & assist the new player through the league registration process.
- Notify treasurer that all new members have paid their dues and have completed their Sports Engine registration process.

Policies:

Each league shall furnish approved Raters for the Green Team rating session. This ensures the availability of Raters from each league maintaining a sufficient Rater pool representing the American, Central & the National leagues as a 3-league club. The approved Raters shall be rotated at any given session allowing rater diversity for each rating session.

Procedures:

League Rater Representation format:

A total of 5 approved Raters will be required to ensure a tie breaker if needed. At least one league representative will be required at all Green Team rating sessions to achieve a balanced ratio of Raters from the American, Central, & National leagues.

The league Rater representation shall allow for a Rater alternate within the combination of the 5 Raters at the discretion of the Green Team Coordinator.

Note: In the event the correct ratio of Raters was unable to be coordinated due to Rater seasonal scheduling or other unforeseen circumstances, a modified Rater session may be required to accomplish the Green Team program objective at the discretion of the Green Team Coordinator.

- The Green Team Coordinator *shall not* be an assigned Rater. If an unexpected absence occurs, the remaining Raters (less than 5) will be authorized to rate based on this isolated situation. This will be at the discretion of the Green Team Coordinator.
- The Green Team Coordinator shall approve all Green Team Raters.

Discretionary Objective: In the event of a conflict of a new players unavailability to play on a specific league schedule due to a work schedule or personal commitment, the Raters for that particular rating session will evaluate the new player's circumstances and merit on a case-bycase basis.

Actual Case Example: A new player is issued a 3 rating for the AL and is unable to play the AL schedule due to personal circumstances. If the player was only available to play the CL schedule, the Raters would evaluate the specific situation and only the Raters will make the final determination by allowing a revised rating to accommodate a new players schedule. Therefore, the player rating may be revised from a 3 to a 4 rating at the discretion of the Raters allowing the individual to play in the league.

It should be noted: It has been widely accepted that 3 and 4 rated players are considered interchangeable between the AL and the CL leagues. Also note: If a new player was issued a higher rating of a 1 or 2, the above case example would not be authorized to be revised to a 4 rating to accommodate a new player's schedule. This would also apply to the CL vs NL league as well and evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the Raters.

The Green Team Raters are the *Only Authorized Club Entity* to rate new players which shall include the re-rating of a returning player.

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