



Big Bend Pop Warner Hardship Waiver Request Form

Thank you for your desire to register your child with Big Bend Pop Warner, the premier program for Youth Tackle Football, Cheer and Dance in Leon County. Below you will find the BBPW policy on boundaries and Association Zones. Each League is required by National Pop Warner Rule to establish and enforce participation in zones as they have been set. Players found to be playing outside boundaries they reside, without proper release from both the League and Association involved, subject their team to forfeiture of all games played.

All hardship waiver requests must be submitted with cause by a parent or legal guardian. Submission of this waiver alone, DOES NOT signify automatic approval but will be weighed on the merit of the information provided. All waivers must be filled out in its entirety and as much information as possible should be provided to support your hardship request. All waivers must meet one of the following criteria but not limited to for waiver allowance:

- Valid family circumstances (divorce, custody determinations, court decision etc.) in which the child effectively resides in multiple locations.
- In cases where the team is full
- In cases where an age/weight appropriate team does not exist
- In demonstrated (proven) hardship cases

Note: There will be no waivers approved based on disagreement between a coach and parent, disagreement between parent and Association Board or the likeness thereof.



ARTICLE VII: ESTABLISHMENT OF BOUNDARIES FOR MEMBER TEAMS

Section 1: Authority to establish Association Zones

The authority to establish geographic boundaries from which Associations may draw participants shall be exclusively delegated to the BBPW Executive Board. BBPW Executive board shall set such boundaries, from time to time, by an affirmative vote of the majority of board members.

Members of the BBPW Executive board can propose the geographic boundaries and policies under this Article to the Executive Board.

Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a list of all approved and recognized boundaries for League members.

Section 2: Big Bend Pop Warner Zoning and Grandfather Policy

Effective upon the registration and pursuant to section 1 of this Article, the following policy and procedures are established.

a) **All participants/coaches** will be assigned to their corresponding association based on the current year's Zone Map. In the event that the quota has been reached for a participant's division within the association, the participant will be placed on a waiting list.

b) **Participants living outside established zones** identified in the Big Bend Pop Warner Association Zone map may participate within any association that has not reached the quota for that participant's division. In the event that the quota has been reached for a participant's division in a desired association, the participant may alternately choose to be placed on a waiting list.

c) **Participants on the waiting list** will be given a choice at the end of the registration process, to join an association whose quota has not been reached for that division or to remain on the waiting list to determine if an opening becomes available before the drop and add date of the 1st Monday in October of the current year. Participants will be given the choice of spaces in the order in which they were placed on the waiting list; first come, first serve.

Exceptions to this policy will be decided using the current waiver forms and the procedures set out therein for Hardship application. Upon the recommendation of the Football or Spirit Commissioner, dependent upon the activity for which the waiver is sought, all Hardship Waivers will be granted or denied by the League President.

If due to quotas or unforeseen circumstances BBPW is unable to provide a team of the type or division the participant is otherwise qualified to enroll in a particular Association, the participant may participate within any Association that has not reached the quota for that participant's division and offers the type of team or division sought.



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I, _____ the parent/ legal guardian of _____
Parent/Legal Guardian **Participant's Name & Date of Birth**

am requesting my child to participate as an eligible participant in an Association outside of my zone due to an extenuation or extraordinary circumstance. I fully understand that the information provided for this request will be kept in the strictest confidentiality. If granted, this waiver is applicable for the above named association only and will remain in effect as long as there is continuous participation with this association. If at any time there is a break in the player's participation in the league or the participant registers with another association, the waiver is revoked. Page 2 will be filled out and affixed to this request.

FROM:

TO:

Name of Association

Name of Association

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Date of Request

Signature of BBPW League Commissioner or Co-Commissioner

Date of Request

Approved _____ Denied _____ by the BBPW Board of Directors on _____.
Date

BBPW League President

Date

The Association gaining the participant under this waiver will be responsible for maintaining a listing of all waivers and attaching a copy to the roster for each season of play. Families must maintain continuous participation with the respective association. Any break will revoke the waiver. Once a participant leaves the association, return rights are forfeited.

Original with signatures to be filed with Big Bend Pop Warner

Copy to: Association, Parent

Copy of waiver will be attached to official team roster and coach's roster in team book



Please provide all information and supporting documents relevant to the extenuating and extraordinary circumstances for which this waiver is requested. The circumstances must be of such significance that an undo hardship must be proven. These type waivers will only be granted on a very limited basis and only by a majority vote of the voting members of the BBPW BOD. It will be the burden of the requestor to justify any reason for this type waiver.

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