

SPORT WITHDRAWAL REQUESTS, REFUND OF REGISTRATION FEES AND REFUND OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS

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PURPOSE:

To outline the procedure for withdrawing a child from a sport and the reasons for refunding registration fees and/or charitable donations paid to DAA.

PROCEDURE:

Refunds for Withdrawals

All withdrawal requests must be submitted in writing to the Commissioner by the player's family.

When a player withdraws from a DAA sport, his/her family will be refunded the entire amount of the sport's registration fee only under the following circumstances:

1. The sport cannot field a team in the child's age group;
2. The sport was holding try-outs and the child was not placed on a team;
3. The child will be too old to participate in the sport in the following season; or
4. Such other reason as the Vice President of DAA deems appropriate.

When a player withdraws from a DAA sport, his/her family will be refunded the amount of the sport's registration fee, less a processing fee, if the parent requests the withdrawal prior to a date established by the sport's commissioner as the "beginning of the season." Absent a clear statement to the contrary by the sport commissioner, the "beginning of the season" will be deemed to be the first day of practices. A processing fee, which will be determined by the DAA Board from time to time, will be deducted from the amount refunded, and will be credited to the sport from which the player was withdrawn. The commissioner will approve (or disapprove) the refund and forward the request to the DAA Registrar.

There will be no refund for uniforms, apparel or equipment purchased for the player, unless the commissioner is able to cancel the order or process it to another player.

There will be no pro-rata credit for a partial season; however, a commissioner may request, and the Vice President of DAA may approve or disapprove, a fifty percent (50%) refund of the registration fee in the event that extenuating circumstances are demonstrated. Examples of such a circumstance include, but are not limited to, (1) injury to the player within the first two weeks of practice, (2) the player's family will be moving from the Davidsonville area, (3) the Vice President of DAA deems such a refund to be appropriate. The balance of the registration will remain credited to the sport from which the player was withdrawn.

Refunds for Charitable Donations

DAA is not obligated to refund completed, unqualified donations. A charitable donation is deemed complete and unqualified when the payment is processed by DAA's online registration system. In the event that a donor subsequently requests a refund of the donated amount, the Vice President may approve the refund if (1) the donor is able to demonstrate that DAA has violated an implicit agreement or failed to satisfy a qualification attached to the donation, or (2) granting the refund would be in the best interest of the Association.