

***** IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION REGARDING 2022 FOOTBALL PLAYER ELIGIBILITY *****

The Berks Inter County Youth Football League (BICYFL) has announced new player eligibility requirements for youth tackle football players. Please review this summary of these new player eligibility requirements, and if you have any questions please contact one of the Exeter Youth Football Board Members.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES TO PLAYER ELIGIBILITY RULES:

- **THE SEASON:** The BICYFL Season has been designated as beginning on July 1st of each year, and concluding on the date of the league Championship Game.

- **AGE REQUIREMENTS FOR TACKLE FOOTBALL:**

MIGHTY MITES – 2nd and 3rd graders are eligible, but player cannot turn 10 prior to 12/31. In the case that a player does turn 10 prior to 12/31, they will move up to play at the Mite level.

MITES - 4th & 5th graders are eligible, but player cannot turn 12 prior to 12/31. In the case that a player does turn 12 prior to 12/31, they will move up to play at the Midget level

MIDGETS - 6th & 7th graders are eligible, but player cannot turn 14 prior to 12/31. No player in the eighth (8th) grade is permitted to play in the BICYFL.

- **PLAYER PARTICIPATION:** Any player who is on a BICYFL team roster during the fall football season (July 1st – Championship Game) would be declared ineligible if he is participating in any other organized football team during the BICYFL season. • Examples of illegal player participation includes participation in practices, playing in games, and other team activities with another organized football team. This includes, but is not limited to flag football, travel league football, tackle football, 7 on 7 football, arena football.

- **PLAYER PENALTIES:** Exeter Youth Football & Cheer shall review all alleged violations of player eligibility rules. Players violating rules involving player eligibility will be subject to penalties including, but not limited to warnings, suspensions, and permanent dismissal from the Exeter Youth Football & Cheer program.

NOTE: Players entering the seventh (7th) grade may participate in conditioning, and other workouts with the Exeter Junior High School Football program.