

SEASONS PAST BASEBALL

SUBJECT: Disk Exchange

This is to explain how the disk exchange process will be handled for the upcoming league year. The reason for some of the following rules is to eliminate as much paperwork as possible, and to accommodate those managers who do not own version 4.0.

1) Each manager will receive a VERSION 3 copy of the 1954 season disk complete with league rosters. The actual 1954 teams will not be included. Converting the player disk take a matter of seconds, and is handled automatically by the computer. ***** PLEASE make a copy of this disk upon receipt. *****

2) Take a copy of the season disk and either load it into a subdirectory, or play off the disk drive for each month's worth of games. DO NOT zero out statistics once you start playing games for a particular month.

3) At the end of each month's games, make two copies of the league files (Just copy *.* from the season disk, to two blank floppies), and send them to the statistician. DO NOT use the transfer utility. The statistician will do all the required transferring for the entire league. The reason we are having you make two disks, is just in case one disk is bad, or something happens to the league files during the transfer process, and to provide you with Year-to-Date statistics as well as monthly statistics for the entire league each month. The YTD stats will be on one disk, and the monthly stats will be on the other disk.

4) ZERO ALL STATISTICS BEFORE PLAYING THE NEXT MONTH'S GAMES, OR START EACH MONTH'S GAMES ON A NEW DISK. The season files that I receive from you each month must contain only the stats from the games played from that month. Do Not play the next month's games on top of the statistics on the disks you receive from the league office each month. If there is ANY confusion on this, PLEASE call. I will be keeping all season and transfer files from everyone, just in case someone sends me a disk with YTD stats instead of monthly stats. In order for me to provide you monthly statistics for the league, and to keep things consistent, I must receive only monthly stats. *I apologize if this paragraph comes across a bit harsh, but this is the most important part of the statistical gathering process, and your compliance and cooperation would be worth more than Ryne Sandberg's 7 million dollar contract!*

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5) The two disks that you receive from me each month with the YTD and monthly stats will be in VERSION 3 format. All the transfer work will be done in version 3, since you can convert from version 3 to version 4, and not vice-versa. The easiest thing to do is at the end of each month, is to make a copy of the season disk you received at the beginning of the season, and make a copy for each month's worth of games, or make separate subdirectories for each month. This will also allow you to play games from different months out of order if you want. Just remember to have the proper disk or subdirectory chosen for the month in which that game is being played in. Then make copies of the appropriate month's season disk to mail in at the end of each month.

6) Included is also a Home Series Monthly recap sheet. Please fill this out at the end of each game or series. This is the easiest way to compile all the game scores and highlights without having to make extra copies of the box scores to send to me. All the scores will be compiled and published in the monthly newsletter by the Honorable Commissioner himself, Jim Wheeler. (Applause please..... thank you.)

7) Feel free to include any superlative box scores from league play. They will be included in the newsletter for the rest of the league to enjoy, and all no-hitters will be entered in the "FOR-THE-RECORD" section of PRO-GAMER magazine.

8) Have fun! Just think, no salary arbitration, no Cable TV contracts, no clubhouse dissention, no St. Bernards running all over your field, no Morganna, no Tim McCarver analysis, no DH, no agents, no rain-outs (maybe an occasional brown-out!), no National-Anthem screeching, Just pure computer baseball nirvana. Is this heaven???... no, it's FTP.