



T-Ball Division Rules

1. Games length

- One hour (approx.)

2. Game Play

- No score keeping of any games.
- No outs are recorded
- Stress fundamentals – this is an instructional division.
- Play may be delayed any time for instruction/coaching. (use discretion concerning frequent stoppages)
- Only two (2) defensive coaches, may be positioned on the field to instruct the players during the game.

3. Equipment

- Ball is to be an 11" Incrediball supplied by the league.
- Regulation softball bats or league supplied bats – No composite or baseball bats

4. Field dimensions

- Base distance to be forty (40) feet.

5. Defense

- No pitching by players.
- Players may play one defensive position for no more than two (2) innings per game.
- A maximum of six (6) infielders will be used in the field:
 - 1 pitcher (fielding only) / no catcher
 - 5 infielders (first, second, third base, short stop, short field)
 - Balance of team are to be outfielders
- Fielders may make plays at any base but the runners will always be safe

6. Offense

- Each team member will bat in order, using all team members in the lineup.
- All batters will advance ONE base per at bat, last batter runs through all bases
- The maximum number of batters in an inning will be the highest number of players present on *either team*.
- Players not on defense must stay behind the fences at all times unless batting or base running.
- The inning ends after the maximum number of batters have batted.
- The offensive coach must inform the defensive team when the last is at the plate.
- Batting
 - Helmets must be worn by batter and base runners during games and practices.
 - Start of season - a batting Tee should be used for all innings.
 - Beginning May 1st
 - **All batters should be attempting to hit from pitched ball**
 - Offensive coach will pitch to their batters
 - A Tee should be used after two (2) strikes.
 - There will be no strikeouts – if a batter has difficulty, a coach may assist.
 - No base on balls will be awarded.
 - No outs are recorded

7. Base Running

- Leads are NOT permitted - runners must stay in contact with the base until the ball is hit.
- Each runner may only advance one base per play, last batter runs around the bases to home



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8. Miscellaneous

- Only those coaches/ volunteers who have submitted the required background checks and ACE certification and have been NSPL approved coaches/ are allowed on the field, in the batting cages, or in the dugout – this includes any games or practices.
- No smoking or other use of tobacco is permitted on the playing field side of the paved driveway that provides access to Troop Field.
- No alcohol allowed at in any area or Troop Field – this includes the parking lot.
- No dog or pets of any kind (excluding service animals) are allowed on the field or in the areas surrounding the field – this includes any games or practices.