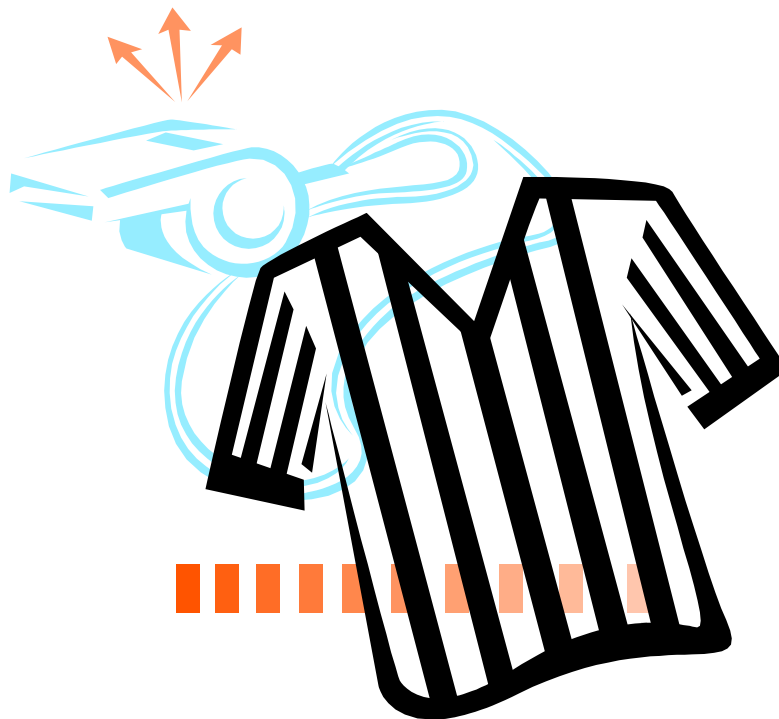




i9 Sports Tball/Coach Pitch Rules



i9 Sports...an Experience Beyond the Game!

3/4 Year old T-BALL RULES

GENERAL

1. All children shall play the entire game, in the field and at bat.
2. 3-4 year olds = 60 minutes of playing time (30 minute practice + 30 minute game)
3. All games must start and end promptly at the scheduled time regardless of inning.
4. All children should line-up and shake hands with opposing team immediately following the game.
5. Scores will not be recorded or posted. All players will receive the same award at season end.
6. Weekly Sportsmanship stickers will be provided to all children each week and distributed by coaches.

BATTING

7. Every team shall bat until the entire line-up has hit each inning. No outs will be recorded.
8. All batters swing until they hit the ball. Once the ball is hit, the batter will run to 1st base and stop.
9. The last batter in the line-up will hit a grand slam. Thus, clearing the bases and the teams will switch sides.
10. Instruct players to drop the bat after hitting the ball! Keep other players a sufficient distance away from home plate.
11. There is no penalty for batting out of turn.
12. Any player arriving after a game has begun should be inserted in the batting order in the last position.

BASERUNNING

13. The team at bat will continue to advance the runner one base per hit.
14. No leading or stealing the bases. Run only upon a hit.
15. Runners may not advance to the next base on any over-throws.
16. Sliding is not permitted.

DEFENSIVE

17. All defensive players must stand beyond the pitchers mound when a child is at bat behind the marked 25 foot Arc.
18. There is no catcher position for T-Ball (or any defensive player behind the batter).
19. All players must rotate field positions each inning.

EQUIPMENT –

20. T-Balls with a Reduced Injury Factor (RIF) Level 1 shall be used. (provided by league)
21. Only non-composite regulation T-Ball bats (2 1/4" diameter barrel) are allowed. Wooden bats are not allowed.
22. A batting helmet (with a baseball hat underneath) must be worn by the player at bat, waiting on-deck to bat next, and all players running the bases.
23. Protective cups are optional.
24. Sneakers or rubber cleats may be worn. No metal spikes!
25. No player may wear any type of metal objects or jewelry.

VOLUNTEERS

26. Up to 4 coaches and parents are allowed on the field as needed to assist.
27. Volunteers may not touch a batted ball in play!
28. No umpires will be used in T-Ball play.

5/6 year old COACH PITCH T-BALL RULES

GENERAL

1. All children shall play the entire game, in the field and at bat.
2. 90 minutes of playing time (30 minute practice + 60 minute game).
3. All games must start and end promptly at the scheduled time.
4. All children should line-up and shake hands with opposing team immediately following the game.
5. We will not keep score during the season. All players will receive the same award regardless of record.
6. Weekly sportsmanship medals must be provided each week ensuring that every child has received one medal during the season.

BATTING

7. A team will bat until the entire line-up has batted regardless of the number of outs made.
8. The coach will throw 3 pitches to his own players. If unsuccessful, a Tee is used until the player hits the ball in fair territory.
9. The coach will pitch over-hand and is allowed to pitch from one-knee (like throwing a dart to teach a “level swing”)
10. Bunting is not allowed.
11. There is no penalty for batting out of turn.
12. Any player arriving after a game has begun should be inserted in the batting order in the last position.

BASERUNNING

13. The base runner is out when:
 - a. A defensive player in possession of the ball tags the base (force play) or the runner before the runner reaches the base. (Coaches should instruct players to tag runners below the shoulders.)
 - b. A defensive player catches a fly ball in fair or foul territory before it touches another object or the ground.
 - c. The base runner is hit by the batted ball.
 - d. A base runner runs out of the running lane to avoid a tag by a defensive player.
 - e. Two players end up on the same base and one is tagged before going to either the next base or previous base without passing other runners.
 - f. A base runner passes a runner in front of him.
 - g. A base runner slides head first at any time (advancing or retreating to a base).
14. No leading or stealing the bases. Run only upon a hit.
15. Sliding is not permitted. Head first slides will result in an out.
16. Runners may advance two bases on a ball hit into the outfield.
17. Runners may not advance to the next base on any over-throws.
18. Runners may not tag up on a caught fly ball.
19. Weeks 1 and 2 base runners “can” stay on the base if they are out, after that they must head back to the dug out.
20. All batters bat throughout line up regardless of number of outs made.

DEFENSIVE

21. Defensive positions include: Pitcher (standing to the left or right of the coach), 1ST Base, 2nd Base, Shortstop, 3rd Base, Left-field, Left-center, Right-center, and Right-field.
22. All fielders must stand behind the 25 ft arc marked on the field until the ball is hit.
23. First baseman may wear a batting helmet with faceguard (since all plays will be made toward first base!)
24. There is no infield fly rule.
25. All players must rotate positions each inning.

Equipment

26. T-Balls with a Reduced Injury Factor Level 1 shall be used.
27. Only non-composite regulation T-Ball bats (2 1/4” diameter barrel) are allowed. Wooden bats are not allowed.
28. A batting helmet (with a baseball hat underneath) must be worn by the player at bat, waiting on-deck to bat next, and all players running the bases.
29. Protective cups are optional for all other defensive players.
30. Sneakers or rubber cleats may be worn. No metal spikes!
31. No player may wear any type of metal objects or jewelry.

VOLUNTEERS

32. Up to 3 coaches and parents are allowed on the field as needed to assist.
33. Volunteers may not touch a batted ball in play! Otherwise, the play is dead.
34. (1) Umpire will be assigned per game.

Equipment provided by i9 Sports – To be picked up and returned each week!

35. Tballs/baseballs for teams – 6 per team
36. 4 helmets per team, 1 will have a face mask for first baseman
37. Batting Tee for each team
38. 1 bat per team

