



T-BALL RULES

- The YMCA Sports Pledge will be recited by both teams before the start of each game.
- A team consists of 6 infielders: a catcher, pitcher, shortstop, 1st, 2nd & 3rd baseman and a maximum of 4 outfielders. Additionally, infielders must be stationed behind an imaginary line drawn between first base and third base until the ball is hit. Naturally, once the ball is hit they may move to field the ball.
- A player may not play the same position for more than two consecutive innings.
- A player may not sit out for more than one inning/game unless the player chooses not to play.
- The game begins when the umpire places the ball on the tee and announces the game will begin.
- A half inning begins when the first batter from the team on offense hits; and is complete after all participants from the team have hit once regardless of outs or runs scored.
- On a fairly hit ball, the batter and each base runner may advance only one base.
- A runner either forced or tagged out must return to the dugout.
- 2 coaches are allowed on the field with the defending team. If both coaches agree, more or less can be used as needed.
- The batting team is allowed to have a coach or parent volunteer at each base to help direct the kids around the diamond. The batting team is also allowed to have a coach help a batter after the 3rd swing.
- Before a ball is considered "fair", it must pass out of the "no hit" Arc. This circle shall be a radius of 5' from home plate as determined by the umpire.
- Games are 60 minutes in length or 5 innings. A new inning cannot begin after 50 minutes of play.

Modified T-Ball Rules-Kinder Only

- Players in Kinder can hit off the tee or choose coach pitch. If choosing coach pitch, the batter is allowed 3 pitches (max) and then is required to use the tee until it's a hit.
- Pitch is from the players coach and thrown either over or underhand from in between the pitching mound and home plate.

• T-Ball is not a competitive baseball league rather its focus is on the development of basic skills and knowledge of the game. Most of all, HAVE FUN!