

T-Ball Rules

1. Player in the pitcher's position must have both feet in contact with the pitching rubber until the ball is hit. PENALTY: If pitcher violates this rule and batter does not reach first base safe, he will be allowed to bat again. If batter is safe at first, then violation is ignored. Pitcher may tag runner only between third base and home plate. The pitcher will not be allowed to retrieve a batted ball outside the dirt of the infield.
2. All defensive players must play position which is considered normal. (Infielders may not play on the outfield grass and may not come in beyond the edge of the infield grass. All extra players will play in the outfield. Must have a catcher. Infielders may tag runners between first base and home plate. A defensive player who fields a batted ball MUST make a throw to first base, excluding the first baseman. No running the ball or rolling the ball will be allowed.
3. **ALL** tags must be made in **FRONT OF THE RUNNER**. Run downs will be allowed as long as the tag is made in the front of the runner without excessive force. All tags above the shoulders will be called safe. The umpire will decide whether excessive force was used. All players must throw the ball back to the pitcher at the end of the play. No running the ball or rolling the ball to the pitcher will be allowed.
4. Base runners must stay on base until ball is hit. PENALTY: If players leave too soon, play is dead. A miss base is an out. This will be called by the umpire, not the coaches.
5. The umpire will call timeout when the play is stopped **IN FRONT OF THE LEAD RUNNER**. If a runner continues after the umpire calls time he or she may be tagged out, but will not be awarded the base if he or she is not tagged out.
6. Coaches will not be allowed to touch a runner when he or she is advancing the bases. Also batters cannot be touched or positioned by coach. Violation of this rule will result in the touched runner being called out.
7. Batter must stand in batter box. We will bat all players. Second and third innings will start at the top of batting order. All players will still play defense. Home team will be decided by a toss of a coin.
8. A thrown bat will be an out.
9. Batted ball must travel at least a distance of 10 feet from home plate before they are considered to be in fair territory. (a 10 ft. arc will be drawn from 3rd base to 1st baseline). Ball must go beyond this arc to be declared a fair ball.

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10. If a runner is over half way to the next base; when the umpire calls time he or she will be awarded the next base.
11. Legal game will be 3 complete innings or one hour time limit. The next game will start 10 minutes after the previous game.
12. Coaches must call time out to talk to umpire.
13. No bunting will be allowed. A player must make a full swing; if not the batter will be declared out.
14. Any disputes must be in writing to the BRD office within 24 hours. This is not to be discussed with the umpires or scorekeeper. Protests must be presented by the head coach.
15. TO CHECK TO SEE IF GAMES ARE RAINED OUT, CHECK FACEBOOK OR HEAD COACH WILL BE TEXTED.
16. **SCORE WILL NOT BE KEPT, No scorekeeper, NO official line up, NO trophies, NO first place. All players will receive a medal at the end of the season.**
17. We will have a Umpire In Chief at the complex during games, if you have any questions. - Chad Walker

New Rules

18. Coach will have a choice for each of his players to hit the ball off the T ball stand or pitch.

Each batter gets three pitches to hit the ball.

An adult will pitch to his own team from a safe distance.