

Salem Little League – Tee Ball Rules

1. Line ups are official after the start of the game. Players arriving after the first inning may be inserted into any part of the order that has not batted. Players arriving in the second inning or later must be added to the end of the batting order in order of arrival.
2. Coaches may be positioned in the 1st and 3rd base coaching boxes while their team is batting. Coaches are allowed on the field while their team is on defense for instructional purposes.
3. The batting team must provide a coach at home plate to remove the Tee and bat after the ball is batted.
4. All players will play in the field in every inning. Besides the pitcher, only (4) players considered to be infielders can play inside the base lines. (No Catcher). All other player must play at least 10 feet behind the baselines. Infield must play within 5 feet of their position. And, pitchers must remain within the circled mound area. There is no shifting of positions allowed during an inning. **The league encourages allowing all players to play every position; Do not let the same kids play the same position every inning.**
5. Pitchers must begin with both feet in the circled mound area – (Last Batter Included)
6. All batters must use a Tee the entire game (No Coach Pitching)
7. When a batter is Put Out, he/she shall leave the field. (Runners should not be allowed to run the bases if they are put out).
8. All players will bat every inning.
9. If a batter hits a ball and it does not cross the ‘Special Line’ in front of home plate, the ball is dead and the batter tries again.
10. Any batter throwing a bat in a manner considered by the coach to be careless or endangering the safety of others will be called out. You should warn a player before calling them out (Be instructional).
11. Runners should be encouraged to touch all bases and home plate.
12. All base runners, batters, pitchers and first baseman must wear a helmet.
13. Play stops when a pitcher for the defensive team touches the ball in the circle OR the ball contact the designated circle area. Runners who are half way or further may advance on coaches decision.

14. Whenever there is an over throw at 1st base, all runners may advance one extra base. With the exception of the ball going out of play, the extra base will be awarded automatically.
15. Games will be 3 innings. A game is official after 2 innings. Therefore, if the game is rained out after two innings completed, the game is official and is over. If the game is rained out before the second inning is complete, the game shall be played over from the beginning.
16. A player can leave the game and return anytime.