

2023 Tee Ball Division Ground Rules:

1)The Tee Ball Division is a NON COMPETITIVE level. They need to have fun and fall in love with the game. I've seen parents fighting and get upset about missing balls, picking flowers, or watching planes. Please remind the parents to be encouraging and cheering all kids out on the field.

2) Visitor team sets up the field (chalk, set up bases prior to game time) Home team cleans up the field (water and rake the field) Both teams clean the dugouts and stands after the game. If your trash can is full, tie the bag and place next to the trash can and start a new bag. If there are no trash bags; send me a text and you will have some delivered to your field.

3) Each team will bat 6 kids. The first 5 kids get a single and stay on the base (even if the other team makes an "Out") 6th batter hits a grand slam and everyone scores.

4) Games last 1 hour 15 mins. With 15 min prep time between the games. (I would suggest having parents who are on field set up/clean up while you get the teams warmed up and ready to play.)

5) At least 1 adult MUST be in the dugout at all times. I suggest the rule I use while coaching "bums on the bench". It helps having names and assigned spots for kids to sit on. Order prevents chaos.

6) No "on-deck" batters. The bats will be kept in the bat rack until they walk out of the dugout and handed the back.

7)All batters MUST wear a helmet at all times and while on base.

8) After spring break, managers/coaches may do underhand toss to batters, after 3 pitches to the kid,(and if they miss the pitches) the tee must be used and allow the kids to get on base.

9) Encourage the kids to make plays, however, outs do not count.

10) Please limit amount of coaches on the field: while on offense 3 (base coaches); defense 4 infield/outfield coaches

I would suggest teaching the kids to put their helmets under their assigned seats on the bench and same with their hats/gloves. The least amount of objects in the dugout the less chance of an injury or messing around.

I know teams like to put the kids items in their personal buckets, however, this creates a safety hazard in the dugout. Safety of our players is very high priority for our league.