

PVAA Spring 2023 T-Ball Rules

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1. A regulation game will be four innings or one hour and fifteen minutes. A new inning will not start if there are 15 or fewer minutes left in the time limit. However, an inning started must be completed.
2. A team on defense may have two (2) coaches stationed in the outfield in foul territory (RF, LF) and a coach in or in front of the dugout. There will be no more than 4 total coaches allowed.

A team on offense may have two (2) base coaches and a coach at Home plate assisting to place the Tee if required. The coach at Home Plate should not play the catcher position but can assist the catcher as needed. The home plate coach should stand to the side and not block the view of the catcher.

3. A team's offensive turn at bat will end when either seven (7) runs have been scored or three (3) outs are made for Sr T-ball League. Five (5) runs or three (3) outs for Jr T-ball League.
4. There will be no walks, bunts or base stealing. Furthermore, base runners may not leave the base until the ball is hit by the batter.
5. An arc shall be present at 25 feet from home base to indicate a ball batted into play. Any ball coming to rest (regardless of a player attempting to play the ball) shall be called foul and the batter shall bat again.
6. Each player must be given a position on the infield for at least one inning of a three-inning game and two innings of a four-inning game (if the game advances to the 4th inning).
7. A player cannot repeat at Pitcher or 1B positions during a 3-inning game. A player can repeat one of those positions during the 4th inning.
8. When a ball is hit to the infield, players will run one base at a time. Hitters and base runners can take extra bases if the ball is hit into the outfield. Once the ball gets back to the infield, the runners can't advance past the base he/she is heading to.
9. (SR AL DIVISION) On an overthrow to first, second base, the runner may advance bases at his/her own risk. Play will continue until the defenseman with the ball gets in front of and stops the advance of the lead runner by calling "Time" from the official and the official stops play.
10. (SR AL DIVISION) On hits to the outfield, players may advance bases at his/her own risk. Play will continue until the defenseman with the ball gets in front of and stops the advance of the lead runner by calling "Time" from the official and the official stops play.

11. The player playing the pitcher position shall play from the middle of the mound, with at least one foot in the dirt on Davis Park Field 4. There shall be a line painted to indicate middle of the mound.
12. No extra bases on overthrows.
13. A tee must be used to batt the ball. A player shall batt until a fair ball is batted.
14. Everyone hits in the lineup, but the fielders are limited to ten. There will be a catcher, pitcher, 1B, 2B, SS, 3B and four outfielders. Outfielders must be in the outfield prior to the ball being hit.
15. In order to field a team and play a binding game, teams must place eight (8) players in the field (Sr T-ball League). If a team is unable to do so, then the game will result in a forfeit. However, the game may be played as a practice game. Teams shall be given a grace period of 10 minutes to produce the required number of players; however, game time begins at scheduled starting time.
16. All Catchers should wear a batting helmet (or catchers mask if preferred).
17. Only registered players are allowed to bat and/or play the field.
18. All batters and base runners shall wear approved batting helmets.
19. Shirts are to be tucked in at all times and hats worn properly.
20. Only USA T-ball stamped bats will be used for league play.
21. Each head coach is responsible for the conduct of his team's players, coaches and fans.
 - a. There will be no Booing or inappropriate language allowed.
 - b. If inappropriate language or behavior is displayed the party responsible and the coach will receive a warning. On the 2nd offense, the game will result in a forfeit.
22. All outs at first base must be thrown by a fielder, with the exception of the 1st baseman, who can touch 1st or tag runner in baseline. No other fielder can touch first base for an out, but may tag the runner in the baseline.
 - a. For Junior t-ball, an attempt to throw to the 1st baseman must be made. If the ball does not reach the 1st baseman, the 1st baseman can then run to get the ball.