

General Rules for Tee Ball (6 & under) 2008

Welcome to BG Youth Baseball! T Ball is our introductory level of Baseball for ages 6 and under. This level of baseball is to introduce the players to baseball, team work and sportsmanship. There is no score keeping, no wins or losses, just plain fun! Batting is off of a "Tee" Coaches are encouraged to throw the first couple of pitches to help teach the player to swing and stand properly. We hope you enjoy this introductory level of baseball and we hope to see you for many years to come!!

The rules for the Tee Ball have been formed, voted on, and adopted for this coming season by the coaches in the Tee Ball league! Tee ball is for ages 6 & under.

1. All players on the roster who are present for the game are to be listed on the lineup. Line ups can be exchanged with the opposing coaches. No score keeping will be recorded.
2. Only a maximum of 10 players will be allowed on the field during each game. (4 Outfielders, 6 Infielders.) ALL players present for each team will bat even if not playing in the field that inning. All players present at the game, will be in the batting order.
3. Coaches will make sure that no player sits out defensively more then 2 innings in a row. Each player will be given every opportunity to play all positions equally.
4. Each player will hit off the Tee and we ask coaches to teach players correct positions in the field and give them the general idea of hitting cut-offs, running bases, etc. NO more than 6 batters should bat in any one inning during the 6 yr. old games. The 6 yr. old league should be structured to teach very basic fundamentals and allow the kids to have a lot of FUN! Coaches may pitch to players that seem to be a little more advanced and ready to hit off of live pitching. 4 pitch maximum and should not hold up the game.
5. The mound is 41 ft. from home plate. There will be no Strike Outs. Player will try and hit the ball, from the tee, until it's in play. A player from the team on the field will be required to play the pitcher position during the game.
6. Bases will be 60 ft. apart. To stop play, the ball may be returned to the pitcher who has control of the ball and is in the vicinity of the mound. (Umpire's discretion.) Play will also be stopped, when the defensive players (with the ball) stop the advancement of the base runners. (Umpire's discretion.)
7. There is no stealing or bunting. An arc (chalk line) will be drawn from home plate between the 1st and 3rd base lines with an arc length of 15 feet. Balls that are hit from either the pitch or tee that stay within this area will be ruled a dead ball. (Batters hit again.)

8. Games in the 6 yr. Old league will have a 1hour time limit. All games will begin at 5:45 pm or 7:15 pm on week nights. Rain make-ups will be on Saturday mornings.

9. Rainouts will be called at 5pm at the park. Parents please don't call the park or any officers. The decision will be made at 5pm, so either call your coach or drive out to the park. If the BLACK FLAG is flying on the flagpole, games are cancelled that night! When a Tee-Ball game gets rained out, if the two teams want to make it up, please make contact with the Tee Ball Comm. and President for the future make-up date. (Go to our website to check on rainouts.) www.bgbaseball.com

10. The league will provide a shirt and a hat for each player. Catcher's equipment, batting tees, balls, and bats will also be provided by the league and individual sponsors.

11. Players are allowed to advance 1 base on an overthrow. No more than that!

12. No scores, player's names or team standings will be published in the paper.

13. Players returning the following year will be put back in the blind selection pool. Team structures will be as follows:

A. Head Coach B. Two assistant coaches

*Also, please select 1 Parent from your team to act as the "Team Manager" for the season.

C. The sons or daughters of the head or assistant coaches will be placed on the team they're coaching. (3 maximum.) (Anymore than this must be approved by the President & Tee Ball Comm. before team selections begin.)

D. The remaining players for the teams will be selected by a blind or face down pool. Additional coaches for the team can come from parents of players that have been pulled blindly to the team.

14. Coaches on the playing field: One coach shall pitch and two coaches will be allowed in the outfield. Please, all coaches stay out of the way when the ball is in play. One first base coach and one third base coach. An additional coach to help batters, if needed.

15. On the day of the game, each team will select an umpire. This can be a coach or a parent. These people are to be as fair as possible and keep the games moving.

16. Players and parents not happy with the team they are on must first approach their team coach to resolve the situation. Unresolved situations will be taken to the League President and Tee Ball Commissioner who will have final say in all matters.

17. Mouth guards are MANDATORY as approved by the board to be used by all players participating in all leagues. (Coaches will explain to all parents how to get their mouth guard.) Players are required to wear their mouth guards at all practices and games.

Extra mouth guards can be purchased at the concession stand.

18. Any rainouts during the season shall be made up if both coaches and the Tee Ball Commissioner work out a rescheduling date. Check: www.bgbaseball.com

19. Teams will be selected at the end of March. The coach of each team will contact the players by April 1st to begin practices. The season or games will begin the second week of May and run through the third week of July. Coaches will give schedules out sometime in April.

20. In the Tee-Ball league the 6yr. olds and under, will be selected together and have their own league.

21. The Pee Wee League Board Meetings are held the second Sunday of each month at 5:00 pm at the red Carter Park Building. Parents are always welcome to attend.

22. The Tee Ball league will use a “RIF BALL” (Reduced Injury Free Ball-5) for each of their scheduled games. (The league purchases all game balls, but not practice balls.)

23. Players are not allowed to swing bats or warm-up outside the playing field. The only place to swing bats is in the on deck circle on the playing field.

24. The league website is www.bgbaseball.com.

Here you will find links to the individual teams. Click from the left menu on Leagues and Teams. Choose Coach pitch and you will see the list of teams. Choose your team and you will come to a page that lists the team roster.

B. Above the coach’s information is a link called Team website. Click on this link will take you to a page that shows Team news and the Team schedule. The coach has access to log on and change the news section at his/her discretion.

C. After all the teams are selected in March, all players and coaches will be listed on the roster. The coach or team parent must log in to assign the players numbers.

D. Contact Jeff at webmaster@bgbaseball.com for your username and passwords. They will be given to you on selection day with instructions on how to log on.

*Our overall goal is to make the game exciting for all players while teaching a better understanding about the game, preparation for the next level and understand the concept of good sportsmanship.

Remember the Tee-Ball league is a starter league that should give the kids the basic fundamentals and be a positive learning experience for all the kids that sign-up to play. Let’s keep the league fun & enjoyable for all the kids, coaches, and parents. Let’s keep

in mind that these are 6 yr olds and under and not the Major League All-Stars. Have a GREAT SEASON!

**** WE THANK ALL COACHES, PARENTS, AND OFFICERS FOR THEIR
VOLUNTEERED TIME & ENERGY**

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