



Orem Recreation Department T-Ball Rules

T-Ball: The T-Ball program is for boys and girls 4, 5, and 6 years old. This program will use a tee to hit from.

1. Each batter will be allowed three swings, one of which must result in a playable ball.
2. If a playable ball does not result from one of these swings, the batter will receive a walk and take their place at first base.
3. A playable ball is a batted ball that is hit by the bat into and stays in fair play territory.
4. Runners cannot leave base until ball is hit by batter.
5. Every member of the team bats in rotation each inning. There are no outs.
6. All team members play defense each inning. One child needs to be placed at each infield position (1st, 2nd, 3rd, and SS), including catcher and pitcher. The rest of the players need to be spread out in the outfield area. Positions and batting order can be rotated each inning.
7. A game will consist of 4 innings or 50 minutes, whichever is first.

***An air horn will sound once on the hour to signal the start of a game, and twice at 50 minutes to signal that the games need to finish the inning they are in so the next teams can start play at the beginning of the hour.**

DEAD BALL:

1. The ball remains alive until "time" is called - which should be called when the ball is held by a player in the infield area and all play has ceased.
2. The ball is dead as soon as it goes into any designated out-of-play area. All runners will return to the base that they last occupied before the ball became dead.
3. In T-ball and Coach Pitch, the last batter can run until the ball is held by a team player who touches home plate.
4. In Machine pitch, any batted ball which hits the machine is a base hit and the ball is dead. Thrown balls hitting the machine are dead.