

ROLAND PARK BASEBALL LEAGUES, INC.

TEEBALL LEAGUE RULES

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Roland Park TeeBall is an instructional baseball league whose goals are:

Having fun

Teaching the players the fundamentals of baseball

Teaching the basic skills of throwing, catching, and hitting a baseball

Emphasizing the importance of good sportsmanship while playing baseball

1. Player Eligibility – A player must be 5 years old as of May 1st of the current season and may not turn 7 before May 1st of the current season to play in the RPBL TBall League. NO player may appear in any game (regular season or playoff) for a team unless he/she is a rostered player for that team or has prior consent from the RPBL Commissioner.
2. Bases will be placed 50 feet apart.
3. The ball is hit off a batting tee. There are no walks or strikeouts.
4. The ball must travel at least 10 feet or it is foul.
5. The score will not be kept.
6. A minimum of six (6) players are required on each team to start a game.
7. There is no base stealing. A player may not take a lead from a base. Tagging up on a fly ball is not permitted.
8. Three (3) innings will constitute a complete game. No inning shall start after 65 minutes of play. The inning in progress will be completed after 65 minutes of play has elapsed.
9. An inning will end for the team at bat after each player has batted once. The coach should change the batting order every inning, in order to avoid the same children batting at the top or bottom of the order.
10. The team at bat may have two base coaches. The coaches will position themselves at the traditional coaching boxes, in foul territory, next to first and third base.
11. The team in the field may have two defensive coaches in the field. One coach should stand between the pitcher's mound and second base. This coach will act as the umpire. The umpire/coach may seek assistance from the other three coaches who are on the field.
12. All players on the team will be allowed on the field for defense. There will be a limit of five (5) infielders (plus one or two pitcher's-helpers and a catcher). The balance of defensive players will play in the outfield. Players can be moved to different positions during an inning.

13. Only an infielder, pitcher, or catcher may catch a ball thrown by another defensive player, which would result in a force out at a base.
14. Every offensive player must wear a helmet when batting, running bases or while on-deck.
15. A batter may not throw, sling, or haphazardly toss their bat. The umpire shall decide if a bat has been thrown. If this should occur, the first offense will result in a warning. If the same player should repeat the act, and additional warnings seem futile, the umpire has the discretion to penalize this batter by calling him out.
16. Runners may not advance while the ball is within the designated "pitcher's area" or if the ball is in the possession of the pitcher.
17. One of the coaches from the batting team is responsible for adjusting the height of the tee.
18. The coach is responsible for moving the tee, when a ball is in play.
19. The coach may not touch a ball that is in play. A coach may not assist an offensive or defensive player, beyond verbal encouragement, while a ball is in play.
20. As a show of good sportsmanship, the home team should conduct a group cheer for their opponent. The opponent should reciprocate.