



BYBSA General Rules

T-Ball

This is an instructional division, with the objective of giving players experience at playing multiple positions while building basic fundamentals to

General Rules

1. Commissioner will assemble teams
2. There will be **no forfeits**. There is NOT a minimum player rule. A team may borrow from the opposing team in order to assemble a complete team.
3. All Teams will qualify for the playoffs at the end of the season. We will conduct a blind draw for seedings. More details will be provided.
4. Each game will be **4 innings and last no longer than 1 hour**.
5. **Bases will be set at 50'**.
6. **No Bat Restrictions** for this league.
7. All games shall start at the designated time. If an umpire is not available, one coach from each team shall umpire, alternating behind the plate and on the bases.
8. Players, managers and coaches only shall occupy the bench or dugout during the game.
9. Each team shall supply 1 new game ball each game. Other gently used baseballs can be used (old game balls) to help speed the game along.
10. It is mandatory for players to wear all safety equipment supplied by BYBSA

Defensive Rules

1. For teams in the field, coaches may position themselves in foul territory and in the outfield to help instruct defensive players.
2. No more than 6 infielders are allowed (1B, 2B, SS, 3B, P, Short Fielder)
 - a. No defensive shifts (players must play natural positions)
3. The rest of the players can play outfield position (Both feet must be positioned in outfield grass)
4. Nobody should be on the bench.
5. All players must play an infield and outfield position at least 1 inning.
6. An infield player may not play the same position more than twice in a game.

Offensive Rules

1. Every player on the offensive team will bat once each inning.
2. **No score will be kept**

3. **No outs will be recorded.** However, if a runner or batter is out they will simply go back to the bench.
4. **Hitter may only advance 1 base IF the ball is hit into the outfield. No advancements on overthrows or baseballs hit in the infield.**
5. Base runners are not permitted to leave until the ball has been hit.
6. No bunts, leadoffs, no steals, no tag ups
7. No infield fly rule
8. No Strikeouts/Walks

Coach Pitch/Hitting off of a Tee

1. We will leave it up to coach discretion on whether to use the tee for their players or to pitch overhand.
2. If coach decides to pitch to players:
 - a. It is recommended that you throw from a kneeling position.
 - b. Batter gets 5 pitches to put the ball into play. After 5 pitches, a tee **MUST** be used.
 - c. It is recommended that the coach brings out a bucket of baseballs to use to speed up time.
 - d. A coach may stand behind the plate to catch/collect the thrown baseball. This coach can also retrieve the tee in case it is needed.

Evaluation

1. Each coach will be required to fill out a player evaluation at the end of the year. This evaluation will be essential in helping form teams in the future.