

Quakertown Youth Baseball Association

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Tee Ball League Rules

GENERAL RULES

Responsibilities:

1. The home team is responsible for setting up the field (bases, and batting tee) before the game, and the visiting team is responsible for breaking down the field after the game. Both teams are responsible for ensuring that the field is properly raked after the game.
2. Each team will be issued a team bag with batting helmets with chin straps, a one-size fits all batting helmet with a facemask, batters chest protector and a Bat. A bag with two sets of catcher's gear (mask/helmet, chest protector, shin guards and 2 catcher's mitts), a medical kit and disposal ice packs are located in the Cages at Quakertown. Please return the catcher's gear bag to the shed when your game is completed. Each manager is responsible for this team bag. Should anything be broken, lost or otherwise unusable, please notify the QYBA Equipment Manager so that it can be replaced as soon as possible. Replacement items will be supplied promptly.
3. A bucket of tee ball baseballs will be provided for each coach. Please use these baseballs to insure the safety of the players. Safety bases for the field are located in the shed.
4. All uniforms provided by QYBA are to remain unaltered. No names or patches may be added or alterations made without the approval of the board.

Coaches:

1. Coaching candidates must notify the QYBA Board of Directors before the February Board Meeting of their interest.
2. The Board will consider all factors in choosing Colt League Head Coaches, including but not limited to prior QYBA or other organization coaching experience, seniority with QYBA. New persons to QYBA will make their interest in coaching known at registration.
3. Head Coaches are only permitted to coach one team in QYBA. They will not be permitted to coach one team in the Colt League, and another in a different league.
 - a. Coaching responsibilities include:
 - i. Attending mandatory Coaching Clinics, including becoming a certified "Double-Goal Coach" through the Positive Coaching Alliance before the first schedule game.
 - ii. Always following the QYBA Code of Conduct.
 - iii. Assigning a Team Mom.
 - iv. Assure League playing time rules are strictly followed.
 - v. Secure team participation in "Field Work Day", a day designated by the QYBA Board of Directors to prepare the fields for the upcoming baseball season.
 - vi. Enforce Code of Conduct with your team's players, coaches and parents.
 - vii. All Head Coaches and Assistant coaches must produce a Pennsylvania State

Background check to the Board before the first practice.

- viii. Gathering all signed "Code of Conduct" forms from their coaches, players, and parents and handing them into a Board member prior to the first schedule game.

RULES:

1. A game will consist of Four (4) innings (subject to available daylight).
2. The batting order consists of all available players for the entire game and must remain consistent throughout the game.
3. Teams will play with all defensive players. Never have players on the bench.
4. One of the offensive teams coaches will place the ball on tee for his team. That coach will also act as umpire.
5. The batter will hit from the tee until he or she is successful and puts the ball in play. One of the offensive team's coaches is responsible for setting up and removing the tee in case there is a play at the plate.
6. When a ball is hit to the infield, all runners advance one base. When a ball is hit into the outfield, all runners can advance until the defense has control of the ball in the infield.
7. Runners can advance on overthrows until the defense has control of the ball in the infield, but can not advance on overthrows to first base.
8. Sliding is allowed under a coach's guidance. Head first slides and aggressive slides, intended to disrupt a defensive player are not permitted.
9. The Batter and all runners on base MUST wear a batting helmet with a chin strap at all times
10. There are no strikeouts, walks, bunting or stealing.
11. Outs are to be counted. When the batter or a runner on base is put out, he must return to the bench.
12. Each team will continue to bat until everyone has batted in each inning.
13. All outfielders must remain beyond the dirt infield at all times. If an outfielder carries the ball into the infield or enters the infield to make a play, all runners safely advance.
14. The defensive team must field a catcher.
15. The catcher must wear all of the protective equipment (mask, helmet, chest protector and shin pads). Players are strongly advised to wear a cup.
16. No player is to play an outfield position for more than two (2) innings in a game. All players should be rotated through all of the various field positions throughout the course of the season.
17. On-field instruction should be given throughout the game. As many as three (3) coaches form the defensive team are permitted on the field to instruct the fielders. Defensive coaches in the outfield are optional. The batting team should have two (2) base coaches to assist the runners and one (1) batting coach to assist the batter.
18. Head coaches and assistant coaches should guide all activities to ensure that they are safe, informative, and fun for all players. The primary goal of this division is to instruct the kids and to prepare them for the next level of play. Always be positive in your remarks and encourage good play and sportsmanship.
19. No official score is to be kept.

