

BASEBALL TEEBALL DIVISION

SPECIAL PLAYING RULES

All games will be played under the rules outlined in the NFHS rulebook with the exceptions of the SCBA BASEBALL General Playing Rules and the following exceptions:

PURPOSE: The purpose of Tee ball is to continue developing the skills of fielding, throwing and hitting. In addition, at this level we want to begin teaching the fundamentals of base running and defense. The coaches are encouraged to be enthusiastic and promote an atmosphere of cooperation, teamwork and **fun**.

25. Field - The distance between the outer edges of each base is **45 ft**.

26. The Ball - The official ball to be used is a “grade **3** t-ball” or its rubber equivalent.

27. Regulation Game - A complete game will be called at **1** hour after the start of the game, regardless of situation.

28. Run Rule - No run rule.

29. Time Limit - There is a **1** hour time limit.

30. Intra-Inning Time Limit - Does not apply.

31. Scores - No scores will be kept.

32. Playing Time - All players will play the entire game.

33. Rotation - No child shall play the same position for more than two consecutive innings or for more than two innings total in a single game. All players must play at least one inning in the infield and at least one inning in the outfield. Example: Cannot play one child at shortstop three innings in a row. Please use the **Honor System**.

34. Pitch Limit - Does not apply.

35. Defense – Each team will field **all** players present at the game. The infield will consist of a maximum of 6 infielders of which one must be a catcher and one a pitcher. The remaining players must be outfielders and must play, at minimum on the edge of the infield grass.

36. Pitchers Rubber - The pitcher must have one foot on the pitcher’s rubber until the ball is hit. If no pitching rubber is present, stand inside the circle. If there is no circle or rubber, stand in the general vicinity of the pitchers position.

37. Infield Fly Rule - Does not apply.

38. Bunting - There will be no bunting at anytime. The batter must take a full swing.

39. Walks – Does not apply.

40. Lead Off - No lead off is allowed. A runner may not leave the base until the ball is hit.

41. Half Innings - Half innings will be when all offensive players have batted once.

42. Foul Arc - Does not apply.

43. Catchers Position - No special rules.

44. Defensive Coach - Teams are allowed **two** defensive coaches. Coach **MUST** stand in the outfield and may not interfere with any play in the field.

45. Coach Interference - Does not apply.

46. Last Batter - The last batter must be announced to the other team. To end the inning a defensive player with the ball must touch home plate.

47. The Tee - All players will bat from a regulation batting tee supplied by the home team.

48. Outs – The defense is encouraged to make outs. When an out is made the offensive player must return to the dugout. After three outs all runners are to return to the dugout and the inning continues unless the third out occurs when the last batter bats.

49. Running the Bases – Coaches are encouraged to teach the players proper base running techniques. This means that the batter does not have to stop at first base after hitting off the tee. Home runs are not encouraged unless it is the last batter. However, doubles and triples are acceptable.

50. Pitching to Players- There will be no pitching to the players at any point during the season. There will be an umpire on the field to ensure that players are not pitched to.