

OXFORD PARK COMMISSION RECREATIONAL SPORTS PROGRAM 5 YR TEE BALL LEAGUE RULES

Oxford 5 yr old Tee Ball League will consist of 5 yr. olds: girls on or before December 30 of the current year; boys on or before April 30 of the current year.

General Rules:

1. Each game will consist of 3 innings or a 1 hour time limit (usually 2 innings), whichever is reached first. No inning will be started after the time limit has expired. Any inning that starts prior to the time limit shall be completed.
2. All teams must be ready to play fifteen minutes prior to scheduled game time. There will be no alterations of the game schedule without prior approval of the league commissioner.
3. Home and visitors will be determined on the game schedule. Home team will occupy the 3rd base dugout, while visitors will be in 1st base dugout.
4. Each inning teams will bat through the batting order giving every player a turn at bat, regardless of the number of outs. Upon the start of the next inning, the order should be reversed, allowing the last batter from the previous inning to now bat first. All batters will wear a helmet.
5. Play will be 'Base to Base'. Each hit will result in a single, moving each base runner forward 1 base at a time. The exception being the last batter of the inning which will clear the bases with a 'Home Run'. It is suggested to rotate your line up each game so each player has the opportunity to bat last, thus hitting a 'Home Run'.
6. **A batter may take a maximum of 3 pitches from the coach. The ball must be placed on the tee if not hit after 3 pitches.**
7. All players will play every inning in the field and should rotate positions to allow everyone a chance at playing the different positions. Only 5 players may play in the infield with the balance playing outfield positions – at least 10 feet behind the baselines.
8. To start the game the coach will call "play ball". The batter will remain on deck until the coach calls him/her.
9. Bunting is not allowed. If the batter does not take a full swing, it will be called a foul ball and the batter gets another swing.
10. An arc will be marked 10 feet from the back point of home plate, foul line to foul line, in front of home plate. If the ball comes to a rest in this area after being struck by a bat, it will be considered a foul ball and the batter gets another swing.
11. The pitcher must remain in the pitcher's circle with both feet until the ball is hit.
12. Coaches will stay inside the coach's area during all play of games. Areas are home plate, 1st and 3rd base, coach's boxes and the dugouts. Two defensive coaches will be allowed in the outfield.
13. All parents are urged to support their team in a cheering manner during the games. Parents will not be allowed to cheer negatively towards the opposing team or argue with the coaches.
14. There will be NO scorekeeping.

15. Rain outs will be determined by the Oxford Park Commission. All rain outs will be rescheduled by the Athletic Manager and shall have priority over practice times if applicable.

Keep up with field closures on questionable days through the OPC Social Media on Twitter, Instagram or Facebook pages.

To cancel a practice, check availability or questions in general contact the Athletics Manager by any of the means below:

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