

Cal Ripken Baseball TBall Rules & Regulations

BATTING

- All hitters will hit the ball from a batting tee. The tee should be adjusted to such a height the batter will be able to **swing level**.
- All rostered players present for the game shall bat in order.
- There is no bunting.
- An inning is over when 5 players have batted or three outs are made, whichever comes first. The fifth batter of the inning, once reaching first base safely, must continue to circle the bases until he or she is either tagged out or scored, either of which will end the inning.
- Batting helmets must be used at bat and as base runners.
- No stealing or leading off permitted.

FIELDING

- All players are on the field at any one time, including a catcher.
- The coaches may be stationed in the grass in order to provide instruction to all defensive players. **(This coach should also act as the umpire)**

GAME

- A regulation game is 3 innings.
- Time limit for game is 45 minutes
- A called game is complete if 3 innings are completed. **(Typically we play 4 innings so each batter gets 2 turns at bat. If there is time and the coaches agree, they may go the full 6 innings)**

Other:

If a team makes an out at any time during the game, be sure the batter/runner goes back to the bench. Big congratulations here for the out as that is what we're trying to teach and it doesn't happen all that often!

The biggest thing is that we remember it's just a game and it's about the kids having fun!!