

DISTRICT 12 TEE BALL BASEBALL & SOFTBALL INTERLEAGUE RULES – 2021

The following rules were agreed upon by District Administrator and representatives from each league within District 12, for interleague play in the Baseball and Softball division. The Assistant District Administrator and the Inter-league Board representatives will henceforth act as a Points of Contact for the teams involved in this agreement. Tee Ball is an introduction into the game of baseball, teaching children the basic baseball skills. It is not intended to emphasize competition between teams or players. Positive reinforcement from managers, coaches, and parents is a must!

These rules take precedence over Local League Rules. OFFICIAL LITTLE LEAGUE RULES APPLY EXCEPT AS NOTED BELOW

Tee Ball

- The side is retired when 3 offensive players are legally put out, called out by an umpire, or when all players in the roster have batted one time in the half inning. (Rule 5.07) Outs will be removed from the playing field.
- Time limit is a minimum of 60 minutes and not more than 90 minutes.
- 1 manager and 3 coaches are allowed. One rostered adult must be in the dugout at all times with the others positioned in the outfield on defense for instruction only.
- The defensive team will have regulation infield positions and the excess players in the outfield. District 12 recommends that there be no catcher in the Tee Ball Division.
- Defensive players need to be rotated often during the game and play infield and outfield positions during the season.
- The batter gets 5 swinging attempts to hit the ball beyond the 15' Arc. After the 5th attempt if the ball is not put in play the batter is out and must return to the dugout. The out is counted by the defensive team.
- The defensive team will have regulation infield positions and the excess players in the outfield. Each player should be given the opportunity to play every position during the course of the season during games. All players in the outfield must be located more than 100 feet from home plate. Teams may strike a line in the outfield to identify the 100 foot line.
- T-ball hit balls must travel beyond a 15 foot arc in front of home plate. Any hit ball that does not travel the 15 feet will be considered foul and the batter will return the hitting tee.
- Continuous Batting order will be used.
- Home team provides T-Ball rated game balls and Batting Tee. New unused balls must be provided.
- LL RULE 1:02 Tee-Ball: It is recommended that no score be kept, but outs will be recorded.
- Is listed second on schedule and has third base dugout.
- No sliding, bunting, or stealing. No on deck batters are allowed.
- Only one base on an over-throw in foul territory.
- BATS Must be USA Baseball approved with either the label screened on or the approved sticker.



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No Tolerance Policy

Poor sportsmanship by players, managers, coaches, or parents will not be tolerated. We wish to emphasize the positive aspects of the game. Failure to comply with this rule may result in the disqualification of the player, coach, manager, and/or forfeiture of the game and spectators could be asked to leave the field area.

Alcohol or any illegal substances are not permitted at any Little League sponsored event, which includes games and practices. Law enforcement will be called if necessary.

Injury Incident Reports must be filled out for any incident that stops play or practice.

FIGHTING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED:

- "Fighting" includes physical OR verbal assaults, including name-calling, persistent harassment and ALL language construed to be obscene.
- Managers, coaches, and/or players ejected from the game is automatically suspended for their next physically played game and may not be in attendance at the game site.
- Second Offenses will be suspension until the Inter-league Board can convene to render a decision regarding the second offense.
- Any person ejected during a game <u>MUST</u> be noted in the official scorebook. Reasons for ejection's and suspensions will be reviewed as needed. All ejections shall be reported at azdistrict12@gmail.com.
- Each team MUST clean their dugout before leaving. This is the manager's responsibility.

Game Cancellations or Reschedules:

All teams that need to cancel or reschedule a game must make a verbal contact with the opposing team, with a reply, **AND** an email to the district at <u>azdistrict12@gmail.com</u>. This needs to be enough in advance so that all parents are informed. This is to eliminate a team going to another park and finding out they don't have a game. This will also eliminate the hosting league having to pay for unnecessary lights.