# 2023 Trumbull Little League U6 year old Division Guidelines

## **Farm Division**

Players in Farm division are generally 5/6 years old.

Equipment: glove, helmet, and bat, boys are encouraged to wear athletic supporter and cup.

This level picks up where Tee Ball ends and progression toward hitting a pitched ball is desired. Coaches should not begin pitching until after the fourth game of the season. After five swinging strikes, coaches should provide a tee to complete the at bat.

### Rules:

- The playing field will consist of base paths of approximately 60-feet in length.
- Each scheduled game begins with a coaching session of 25-30 minutes.
- Games should be 1-2 innings per game, in which all players hit, run the bases, and score each inning.
- Outs and runs are not counted at this level. All games end in a TIE.

#### When Hitting:

- A continuous batting order is used. Rotate the order each inning and game.
- Players use the tee for the first 4 games. After game 4 allow 5 swings before providing the tee.
- Players run to one base at a time.
- Last batter runs all the bases and all runners score
- Only the batter is allowed to hold a bat. NO BATS IN BENCH AREA.
- Players should remain with the team on the bench.
- Ask a parent to assist with safety in the bench area.

### When Fielding:

- All players are on the field each inning.
- Rotate fielders each inning and game.
- Keep fielders at least 46 feet from the batter.
- Coaches remain on the field to instruct.
- Teach fielders the positions and instruct them to throw to first base.
- Instruct fielders to hold their positions and not to pile on each other when fielding.
- Coaches remain on the field to instruct.

**Inclement Weather:** The managers shall immediately suspend or cancel games and players and coaches shall retreat to automobiles in the event of any sight of lightning. No players will be permitted to remain on the field or in open dugouts for any reason

Managers and coaches from both teams are required to remove all trash from the field, dugouts and surrounding area at the end of their game.

All players, coaches, parents, and spectators must follow the TLL Code of Conduct at all times as posted on the TLL website.