

# Tri-West Little League – TeeBall Division Rules 2019 Regular Season

## Overview

The TWLL TeeBall baseball division is for boys and girls ages 3-4. The objective of this division is to introduce beginners to the game of baseball and make it enjoyable so they will gain confidence in their skills and get the experience of playing a team sport. The score will not be kept considering the main goal is for the players to have fun. A sponge rubber center Official Tee-Ball baseball will be used for the safety of the players.

Practices and games are not to occur if the temperature is below 45 degrees.

## General Rules

1. The home team will play in the field first and be in the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout.
2. The visiting team will bat first and be in the 1<sup>st</sup> base dugout.
3. A game will consist of three innings (home and visiting team each get three at bats) or 60 minute time limit, whichever comes first.
4. Each child will play during the game, both fielding and batting.
5. An inning consists of each player batting once.
6. Players will not be allowed to participate in a game if they are wearing a hard or soft case or any other items (i.e. jewelry, watch, etc.) that are deemed to be unsafe.
7. HAVE FUN!

## Hitting

1. The batter and base runners must wear a helmet.
2. No player shall hold or swing a bat unless he/she is at bat. No on deck batters are allowed to have a bat until walking to the plate.
3. No intentional throwing of the bats.
4. Coaches should attempt pitching to the batters before using the tee.
5. After three pitches/strikes, the batter must use a tee.
6. There are no strike outs or outs in the field.
7. Batters and runners will be allowed to advance only one base at a time.
  - a. First batter hits the ball and runs to first base and advances no further.
  - b. Second batter hits and the runner previously on first runs to second base, while the batters runs to first.
  - c. This continues until the last batter of the inning, who will hit a "homerun," running all the bases and batting in all the runners.
8. There are no lead off or stealing bases.

## Fielding

1. Each team is to be five infielders: pitcher's helper, 1<sup>st</sup> base, 2<sup>nd</sup> base, short-stop, and 3<sup>rd</sup> base.
2. There is to be NO catcher, for safety reasons.
3. The remaining players will be spread out in the outfield.
4. All players should have an opportunity to play all positions throughout the season.