

## Tomball Little League FAQ

## What divisions do you offer?

For all Fall seasons we offer $4 / 5$ year old T-ball, 6 year old coach pitch, Single A 7-8 year old Machine Pitch, Double a 9-10 year old kid pitch, 11-13 year old Intermediate 50/70, 14-16 year old Seniors. See bottom of FAQ for division descriptions. Please see below league age definition that determines what age group they will play in.

For all Spring seasons we offer 4 year old T-ball, 5 year old T-ball, 6 year old Coach pitch, Single A 7-8 year old Machine Pitch, Double A 9-10 year old Kid Pitch, 11-13 year old Intermediate 50/70, 14-16 year old Seniors. See bottom of FAQ for division descriptions. Please see below league age definition that determines what age group they will play in.

## What age group does my child belong in?

Review the age calculator HERE. For the Fall 2023 season and Spring 2024 season your child will play in the age group that matches up with their age as of August 31, 2024 (league age)

## How do I know if I live or attend school within the Tomball Little League boundaries?

Enter your address HERE
If your home address does not fall within the Tomball Little League District but your child attends a school within the District they would be eligible to play at Tomball Little League

## What is included in registration?

For Fall seasons we provide each player with a jersey and hat. There will be 12 games plus a World Series Championship for each division (Single A and older).

For the Spring season we provide each player with a jersey, hat, belt, and socks. There will be 12 games plus a World Series Championship (Single A and older)

## What does my registration money go towards?

Field and park upkeep and maintenance, umpires, uniforms, baseballs, catchers' equipment, Little League charter and other Little League expenses, utilities, etc

## Does TLL take friend or coach requests?

Due to the set-up of our league, we are unable to take any friend or coach requests. All coaches can draft players, so if you want to play for a specific coach, please ask that coach to draft your child. Please note, there are no guarantees that a coach will be able to draft your child

## Why do all players have a designation of American League or National League?

To comply with Little League rules, due to the size of our league (based on our 12-year-old division) TLL must comply with a split division format. Under this format each player is designated as either American League or National League. Once designated to a league, they will remain in that league for the duration of their TLL career (this is per Little League rules). Players were originally drafted into the American or National League in the Spring 2022 season. Any new players in seasons after Spring 2022 will be open to be drafted to either the AL or NL and once drafted into one of those divisions will remain there for the duration of their Little League career

## What equipment do I need?

Baseball bat, glove, batting helmet, batting gloves (optional), cleats with plastic spikes (optional but suggested - 50/70 and Seniors can wear metal cleats unless pitching).

## Why are there player evaluations?

Evaluations are for Single A, Double A, 50/70, and Seniors. Evaluations allow Managers to evaluate each kid for purposes of drafting their teams. Players will get the chance to hit, run, and field. If your child is unable to attend one of the scheduled evaluations, please contact one of the Player Agents prior to the scheduled evaluation sessions (contact info can be found on the Board Member list) to schedule an alternate day/time. Managers will rank every player on the skills listed above and each player will end up with an average ranking. Managers will utilize these rankings as well as their own notes to draft players to their team

## What is the refund policy?

Our refund policy can be found HERE

## How often are there practices/games?

All children in T-ball and Coach Pitch will have up to 2 activities (games/practices) per week. All children in Single A and older will have up to 3 activities (games/practices) per week. Activities are from Monday-Saturday and there is no specific set schedule for days and times. We are unable to make and communicate specific schedules until registration is closed and teams are formed

## When are practices and games?

Prior to games starting we have practices from Monday through Saturday. Once games begin practices are on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Games are on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. If needed, we may make up cancelled games on practice nights

Are games and practices made up when cancelled due to weather?
Every effort will be made to make up cancelled games. Unfortunately, we do not have the field space to make up practices

## What kind of bat should I buy for my child?

Bat rules can be found HERE. Be sure to review to ensure your bat meets Little League requirements. All bats must meet the USA Baseball Bat standard. BBCOR bats are permitted for 50/70 and Seniors

## How do I sign up to be a Manager, Coach, or Team Mom?

During the registration process, you can select the option to volunteer in one of these positions.

## What are the responsibilities of a Manager?

The Manager is the leader of the team. They can delegate as they see fit but are ultimately responsible for leading the team. They can work with the parents of their team to seek volunteers to help (coaches, team mom, etc). Managers should be knowledgeable of how to coach baseball

## What are the responsibilities of a Coach?

The Coach is responsible for helping the Manager run the team. They can help with a variety of roles, but a coach typically helps with teaching the kids the game of baseball and helping during practices and games.

## What are the responsibilities of a Team Parent Coordinator?

The Team Parent Coordinator (sometimes referred to as Team Mom but we welcome dads as well) is responsible for helping the Manager handle administrative tasks. They will attend the team parent meeting, pass out information to the team, help coordinate communication with the team, help coordinate game day volunteers, etc.

## When will I hear from my Manager?

Once teams are drafted it takes the league a couple of days to input rosters into the system and provide managers with contact information. We ask that you give them a few days to contact you. Please review the Schedule of Events at www.tomballlittleleague.com under the League Info tab to see when your child's division will be drafting teams

## What does the season schedule look like?

You can see a full schedule of events at www.tomballlittleleague.com under the League Info tab

## Where are the fields located?

725 N Cherry St (corner of Cherry and Huffsmith), Tomball, TX
Our field map is HERE

## Division Descriptions

- T-ball
- Kids will learn the fundamentals of baseball and will hit off a tee
- Up to 2 activities (games/practices) per week
- Score is not kept and there is no end of season tournament for this age group
- Coach Pitch
- Kids will be given three pitches from the coach and if they do not hit the ball will be given two swings off the tee
- Up to 2 activities (games/practices) per week
- Score is not kept
- Single A Machine Pitch
- This league is for all kids who are league age 7 and 8
- Age group will be split into two divisions
- Kids will learn how to hit the ball off of a pitching machine
- Up to 3 activities (games/practices) per week
- Score is kept and there is an end of season tournament
- 5 runs max per inning except for the $6^{\text {th }}$ inning, which is unlimited
- In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars
- Double A Kid Pitch
- This league is for all kids who are league age 9 and 10
- Age group will be split into two divisions
- Kids will learn how to pitch and how to hit off of other kid pitchers
- Up to 3 activities (games/practices) per week
- Score is kept and there is an end of season tournament
- 5 runs max per inning except for the $6^{\text {th }}$ inning, which is unlimited
- In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars
- Intermediate 50/70
- This league is for kids who are league age 11,12 , and 13
- Age group will be split into two divisions
- Up to 3 activities (games/practices) per week
- Score is kept and there is an end of season tournament
- Cumulative runs per inning (5 in the $1^{\text {st }}$, up to 10 in the second, etc)
- In 50/70 base runners are allowed to take leads off of the base (open bases).

The pitching rubber is 50 feet away and bases are 70 feet apart

- In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars
- Seniors
- This league is for kids who are league age 14, 15, and 16
- Up to 3 activities (games/practices) per week
- Score is kept and there is an end of season tournament
- No run rule per inning
- In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars

