

Pelham Minor Baseball T-Ball Rules

T-ball is considered an introductory skill building baseball program. The children are learning about team work and good sportsmanship. Coaches are not required to keep score.

1. Each night will consist of a 30 min practice and a game commencing at 6:30. The game will be approximately an hour long. You are to play as many innings as possible.
2. Home team is first team listed on schedule.
3. Home team is responsible for putting bases and equipment out. Visiting team is responsible for putting all equipment away.
4. Home team will have first half of practice time in the infield and visiting team will receive second half of practice time in the infield.
5. All players on a team will take to the field defensively. The infield will consist one pitcher, catcher, 1st baseman, 2nd baseman, 3rd baseman and short stop. All remaining players will be placed in outfield and must be on the grass.
6. There will be an imaginary line that will run from just in front of third base diagonally across the field to just in front of first base. All infield players must remain behind this imaginary line until ball is hit. If players cross this line, at the discretion of the umpire, time will be called and the batter will be allowed to hit the ball again.
7. Please encourage your players to throw the ball to the appropriate base. Do not encourage rolling the ball or running to the base. I.e 3rd baseman fields the ball and runs across diamond to touch 1st base or 3rd baseman rolls the ball from 3rd base to 1st base to get the out.
8. All players will bat. Batters must wear batting helmet. There are no strike outs. Batters will continue until ball is hit.
9. A batted ball is declared dead if it does not cross the 8 foot line. The batter will be allowed to hit again.
10. The batter will hit the ball and the batter and base runners will only advance one base at a time. All runners will remain on base even if called out.
11. When last batter comes to the plate, last batter will be declared. Once the ball is hit all runners will run home. The ball is to be thrown home and the Catcher will field the ball and touch home base to record the out.
12. Catchers must wear catcher's helmet, chest protector and shin pads.
13. Players should be moved to different positions to allow the children to enhance their skills. Positioning can be accomplished within the inning, after each inning or throughout the year at each game.
14. Coaches are encouraged to be in the field with their players directing them where to throw the ball and how to play their position.
15. Have Fun!!