

Tee-Ball Philosophy and Rules

Rules:

- Tee-ball is for 5 and 6 year old boys and girls. (League age for 5 or 6 year old means they are players aged 5 or 6 years old by April 30th.)
- The purpose of the League is to introduce children to the game of baseball, to teach the children the concepts of good sportsmanship and teamwork and, above all else, to have fun.
- Bases are 50 feet apart.
- No score is kept. No umpires are used.
- Balls will be hit off of the tee only during games – no coach pitching during games. Any coach pitching is to be saved for practices.
- Players are to be rotated into infield positions in every game.
- 9 game season. Games will be played on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. at Lunada Bay Elementary School.
- One practice per week, also at the Elementary School.
- 6-8 teams in the Lunada Bay league, each with 9 to 10 players ideally.
- All players shall be rotated so that every player has a chance to play the different positions throughout each game. (It is recognized that it may not be appropriate to place certain players at first base, and this decision will be left to the sound discretion of the manager.)

Game format:

- Home team is responsible for setting up the field – bases and tee.
- All players bat every inning (no 3 outs). Games will be three innings.
- No outs will be recorded, although players are to be taught to make plays at first, second, third and home, as appropriate. If a player is actually thrown out at first, he/she will nevertheless remain there as a runner.
- After hitting the ball, runners stop at first and thereafter advance only one base, with the exception of the last batter, who gets to run around all bases.

Philosophy:

- Aggressive and competitive attitudes or actions will not be tolerated. This is intended to be a fun learning experience for our children.
- Managers and coaches must be particularly sensitive to safety issues. When at bat, all team members shall at all times remain behind the backstop, until it is the player's turn to bat. All bats shall be stored on the field side of the backstop, so the only player with a bat in his or her hands shall be the batter. There is no "on deck" circle and there shall be no swinging of bats by anyone other than the batter. Also, to the extent possible, managers and coaches shall be expected to give opposing manager and coaches a friendly "heads up" if a particularly strong batter is hitting.
- The LBLL Board of Directors has adopted these regulations and philosophy in its goal to create a positive, safe, enjoyable environment for our young players, parents and coaches.

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