## OFFICIAL LEAGUE RULES Tee Ball

## **General Guidelines**

- **❖** Field Setup (If needed)
- **\$** Bases will be placed at 50'
- **Games are scheduled for one hour.**
- **\*** Teams should be prepared to start on time.
- Since game time is limited, players should be coached to hustle on/off the field at change of inning.
- **❖** Game Play (Fielding Team)
- ❖ All players must remain in their designated position until the ball is hit. The infield will consist of 1B, 2B, SS, 3B and Pitcher.
- **The remaining players must reside in the outfield.**
- **Observe proper positioning of players.** There must not be any bunching of players on one side of the infield.
- ❖ Players are to be rotated from the infield to the outfield and NOT play in one of those for more than 1 inning in a row. If you have a roster of more than 10 players rotate the odd number of players to the infield during even numbered innings
- Players should be rotated as equally as possible to give them opportunities at all positions.

## **Game Play (Batting Team)**

- **❖** No swinging bats outside of the playing field.
- **\*** Batters must wear batting helmets.
- To avoid game delays, players should be ready to bat (helmet on, bat in hand) and hustle onto the field for their turn.
- ❖ All players will bat in each inning but outs still count. If a player is out, they must return to the bench area.
- Players aged 5 or under on the roster (registered as age 5 or under by July 31<sup>s</sup>) must hit from the Tee. No exceptions.
- Players aged 6 on the roster (registered as age 6 by July 31<sup>st</sup>) have the option to either hit off the Tee or take up to three pitches from a coach.
  - a. Players that are to be coach pitched should be grouped together in the batting order to facilitate play.
  - b. Placement of the group (first or last) is at the coach's discretion.
  - c. If the player hits or tips a foul ball, it is still considered one of the three pitches.
  - d. If the ball is not put into play after three pitches, the ball must be placed on the Tee.
  - e. If a ball is hit into the outfield, the runner can advance until the ball is secured in the infield.
    - i. Secured means that any infield player has trapped and secured the ball. With this rule, a batter can achieve a double, triple, or even a home run!
  - f. No bunting is allowed.
- **❖** No Stealing Bases (No leading off)
- Balls hit less than ten feet will be considered a dead ball and another attempt will be made.
- Runner may advance one base on an overthrow.
- Last player up does not get an automatic home run. Played like the rest of the inning.