

6u ADVANCED T-BALL

PLAYING RULES

Equipment

- A MacGregor #56 Baseball will be used in games. Game balls will be provided by Salem Baptist Church.
- A standard batting tee with a home plate base will be used.
- A T-ball bat or an official youth baseball bat must be used.
- All batters and base runners must wear helmets.

Game Rules

General

- The Home Team, listed first on the schedule, will lead in prayer before the start of each game. After the game, we will line up to congratulate the opposing team for a game well played, with the visiting team leading in prayer.
- The home team will pick three balls up at the concession stand before each game. Please make sure that you return the same three balls back to the concession stand at the end of the game.
- Base lines shall be 45 feet in length.
- **There will be no score kept in this division.**
- Coaches will act as umpires.
- The game will be 5 innings or 60 minutes. **No inning starts after 50 minutes.**

Defense

- Defensive line-up should consist of a standard infield (with the exception of a catcher). All of the remaining players should be positioned ten feet (10') behind the infielders.
- All players should have the opportunity to play in the infield.
- The defensive team may have three (3) coaches in the outfield for defensive positioning.
- The pitcher, or any other player, may not charge the ball until it is hit.

Offense

- The offensive coach will pitch three balls to his player. If the player does not hit the ball, it will be placed on the tee for him to hit. The player may choose to start his at bat off the tee instead.
- The offensive team will bat the entire line-up, unless 3 outs are made first.
- The offensive team coaches should be at first base, third base, and home plate.
- The "home plate" coach should remove the tee if a runner attempts to score.
- There are NO STRIKEOUTS in 6u baseball, but there will be outs on the base paths. If an out is made the base runner must go back to the dugout.
- Base runners must stay in contact with the base until the ball is hit.
- Base runners may not advance on overthrown balls in the first five games of the season. In the sixth game, if there is an overthrow at 2nd or 3rd, base runners may attempt to run to one other base at their own risk. **A runner may not advance on an overthrow ball to 1st.**
- Base runners can advance to next base until an infielder has control of the ball.
- We want to teach that Bat Throwing should not be part of the game. Coaches should be training their players to drop the bat as opposed to throwing it in practices and games. If a player

continues to throw the bat game after game, then there may need to be a consequence to that action, handled by the coaches.