## **EYC T-BALL RULES**

2010

All baseball rules apply with the following exceptions:

- 1. Game is 4 innings
- 2. Diamond size is 50 feet between bases
- 3. Visible pitching rubber at 46 feet
- 4. Visible arc 25 feet from home plate
- Official ball must be equivalent to a Debeer B119 Tufflite. Each team provides 1 new ball per game.
- 6. Visible overthrow line 10 feet behind each foul line
- 7. Perimeter lines between bases must be defined.
- 8. No umpires are provided.
- 9. Host area should have a first aid kit available at field location
- 10. Age requirements A player is eligible if his/her sixth (6) birthday falls on or before April 1<sup>st</sup> or the current season and his/her eighth (8) birthday is after August 1st.
- 11. Maximum of five (5) runs per inning per team.
- 12. Entire team bats each inning. When the third out is made the remainder of the lineup bats, but runs after the 3<sup>rd</sup> out don't count. (Baseball force out rule applies) Teams with a low number of players will continue batting until three (3) outs or five (5) runs are scored.
- 13. The following inning, the first batter is the one who follows the batter when the 3<sup>rd</sup> out or the 5<sup>th</sup> run (RBI) occurred during the pervious inning, whichever came first.
- 14. No bunting off the tee ball stand or thrown ball. A batted ball must travel past the 25-foot arc or a foul ball is declared. No strikeouts.
- 15. Thrown bat: A player shall be given one (1) warning per game. The second thrown bat by the same player constitutes an automatic out.
- 16. Tee must be placed directly in front of home plate, with the rear point of the tee touching the front edge of the plate.
- 17. One (1) offensive coach at home plate with the batter who can assist the batter.
- 18. Two (2) defensive coaches on the field. They may help players develop game situation skills, but may not touch the ball or the players.
- 19. All players play a minimum of two (2) defensive innings. A guideline is to rotate players defensively, giving them the opportunity to play all positions.
- 20. A fair-batted ball not leaving the perimeter of the infield: batter/runner and all baserunners advance at their own risk to the next base only.
- 21. A fair-batted ball leaving the perimeter of the infield will be considered a live ball until the ball is returned to the perimeter of the infield.
- 22. If a thrown ball travels beyond the "overthrow line", each runner advances one base. If the thrown ball stays inside the "overthrow line" there is no advancement of any runners.
- 23. Second base overthrows: whether thrown from inside or outside the perimeter, baserunners advance at their own risk to the next base Home plate overthrows: no advancement of bases. When all baserunners either reach the next base or are called out, play is stopped.
- 24. Defensive position of pitcher is any place from the pitching rubber to second base in a direct line.
- 25. Catcher must wear a full helmet with mask, chest protector, shin guards and a cup (cup is not provided by the organization).
- 26. All baserunners must wear full helmet with ear protection.
- 27. Each batter will wear full helmet with ear protection.
- 28. Each player will wear a numbered shirt (area hats if provided)
- 29. T-ball teams may float two (2) players laterally, subject to floating rules.
- 30. All players will hit off of the "T" for the month of May and during the month of June, coaches will pitch to their team.
- 31. Each batter will be given three (3) pitches by their coach before the "T" is placed out by the coach for the batter for them to use.
- 32. There are no walks in "T" ball and no hit batsman.