DAYBSA: **T - BALL**

RULES AND BYLAWS

2014

Age Limit:

 Boys & Girls must be 5 years old as of Dec. 31st of current year, and have not finished higher than kindergarten. Field Dimensions:

1. The distance to all bases will be 45 feet
2. There will be a ten (10) foot arc from the back of home plate. Field must be chalked ( see diagram ).

Batting:

1. All batters will be pitched to until the batter swings twice and then the batter will use the T. The batter can swing until he/she hits a fair ball. No strike outs. If ball falls off T and batter picks it up, they will not be called out.
2. As long as the ball rolls out of the ten-foot arc, it is considered a fair ball. If it stays in the arc, it is a foul ball.
3. Throwing the bat: 1st time is a TEAM warning, 2nd time is an out.
4. Composite bats are NOT allowed.

Base Running:

1. One base allowed per runner on an overthrow, one overthrow per batter.
2. Play stops when the ball is thrown toward home unless a play is made on a runner at any base.
3. If the base runner has rounded a base before the throw, he/she is allowed to advance to the next base.
4. There is no leading off. No sliding. 1st time is a TEAM warning, 2nd time is an out.

Scoring:

1. Maximum of ten (10) batters per inning regardless of number of outs. No score keeping allowed.
2. A game is five (5) innings or one hour and 30 minutes, whichever comes first. If an inning is started before the time limit, it will be finished.

Field Positions:

1. All players will play.
2. Seven (7) players are allowed on the infield including the catcher. None are to be positioned in front of the line from first to third.
3. All others are considered outfielders and will play there.
4. Do not put outfielders on the base line.
5. Teach the players to throw to first base.
6. Home team must supply one new ball, visiting team one "good" backup ball.

Coaching Positions:

1. When his/her team is at bat, coaches are allowed at first and third.
2. When his/her team is in the field, no more than two coaches are allowed on the field with their players.
3. Coaches must keep their players SEATED on the bench at all times. This is for the protection of the players.
4. Home coach is responsible for providing a home plate, bases.

Conduct:

1. NO drinking on field grounds – violation will lead to ejection.
2. The use of tobacco in any form is prohibited on the playing field or benches.
3. It will be the coaches’ responsibility to control their fans and players.
4. Swearing, If a PLAYER is caught swearing by the umpire they will be ejected from the game, NO WARNINGS. If a second PLAYER is caught swearing in the same game by the ump, they too will be suspend for the game and the Head Coach will also be ejected out of that game and will be suspended for the next 2 games.

Weather:

1. No game will start if there is a severe weather watch or warning. The home team is responsible for rescheduling. Notify the League Director of the time and the date of the game.
2. At 4:00 p.m. of day game using Accuweather.com or Accuweather APP on your smartphone, once the heat index hits 100 degrees Fahrenheit in the city you are playing. Game is to be cancelled!

Diagram: