



HEARD CO. RECREATION DEPARTMENT
T-BALL RULES
2021



1. **A regulation game will consist of four (4) innings. No inning shall begin after a time limit of 55 minutes.**
2. **Every player on the team must bat before the team goes on defense. Players will be allowed as many attempts as necessary to hit the ball off the tee.**
3. All players will play on defense.
4. **A team will be allowed to play with only six (6) infielders. The remaining players will be restricted to the outfield.**
5. No team will be allowed to use a catcher. A coach will be at home plate to put the ball on the tee for the batter.
6. The pitcher must stay in the circle until the ball is batted.
7. **Bunting is not allowed.**
8. Any **batter** that hits a ball that does not leave the infield will be limited to a single.
9. Any **batter** that hits a ball into the outfield will be limited to a double.
10. **Bat Slinging Rule:** First violation for each team will result in a team warning. The second violation for each team will result in the batter being called out.
11. The time limits for games will be **55 minutes**.
12. **GAME TIME is START TIME.**
13. There will be no **strike-outs**.
14. If in the **judgment of a coach** that a defensive player has control of the ball and does not attempt to make a play, time will be called.
15. **No stealing** will be allowed.
16. There will be a maximum of **three (3) coaches in the outfield** and **one (1) coach** in the infield when a team is on defense. Coaches may not interfere with play of the ball or the runner.
17. The **score** will **NOT** be kept.
18. A coach may not be required to play a player for a disciplinary or justifiable reason provided he or she informs the opposing coach and the recreation employee.
19. All coaches must be **concussion** certified through the CDC.
20. Profanity, throwing of equipment or other acts of unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. The penalty for violation of this rule shall be the removal of the guilty player, players and/or coach from the game and from the dugout.
21. Any player or coach who has been removed from the game for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be suspended for a minimum of one (1) game.
22. The use of any alcoholic beverage or tobacco products within the confines of the playing field, dugout, or bench by any coach, umpire, or league official is prohibited. Violation of this rule will result in removal of the guilty party from the game and a one (1) game suspension.
23. Each team at the conclusion of the game or practice the team is responsible for removing all trash from the dugout and playing area.
24. **Players** are to properly wear their **uniforms** as issued.