

OYAA T-BALL RULES AND GUIDELINES

OYAA T-Ball is intended to be a fun introduction to the game of baseball. Keep that in mind in everything you do and it will be a good season. Opposing coaches are to introduce themselves before every game and agree on game format.

All players play in the field at a time. Field an infieldThere is NO catcher and spread the remaining players throughout the outfield.

There will be no catcher for safety reasons. The hitting team should have someone stand back and catch the pitches from the pitcher.

Rotate all players to different defensive positions and also between infield and outfield.

When the defensive team makes an out the runner must leave the bases.

Play can be stopped if the ball is in the infield and the fielder holds the ball up in the air. Please do not send or continue to advance runners when the ball is in possession in the infield.

The defensive team can have two coaches in the field.

The inning is NOT over if three outs are made.

Each game is 2 or 4 innings depending on how you bat the players. Opposing coaches to agree on whether to bat through the whole order each inning (2 inning game) or through ½ the order each inning (4 inning game).

Batters will get THREE pitches from the coach if they want. If pitches aren't hit then you will bring the tee into play for FOUR more swings. If they do not hit after the FOUR tee swings, they return to the bench.

Batters/runners can advance only one base on an overthrow.

Base coaches call the outs and there will be no disputes.

The 2nd team listed on the schedule is the home team.

Make it fun.....this isn't the majors yet.

Assign a parent to organize snacks for the kids.

Teach the basics.

Please look at the OYAA web site for the “coaches, players, and parents codes of conduct” and pass them along to the parents.

Coaches are responsible for determining rainouts. Move to the grass and play if needed.