



CRC Baseball Coach Pitch Guidelines

****There are some good ideas for practice and games in this link, including videos****

<https://www.littleleague.org/play-little-league/tee-ball/>

The Rules:

- A complete game will consist of 5 innings or however many innings you get in, in 75 min.
- Games should start on time, warm up time is 15 -30 minutes before the game
- All batters will bat in an inning with their own coaching pitching to them.
- Coaches will umpire their own games.
- Each team will bat through their lineup each inning disregarding the number of outs.
- If an out is made the player called out will return to the dugout, but outs will not be kept.
- The score will not be kept. (unless coaches agree or you want to)
- Fielding – all players present will play in the field.
- Only Soft/tee-ball/RIF baseballs can be used. No hard Baseballs.
- Base path distance is Approx 45 ft.
- Teach them normal defensive positions, but it is okay to move them in and/or not have anyone in the outfield.
- Defense can have as many coaches on the field they want
- Players must wear helmets when batting and running. Teams will share helmets.
- No strikeouts. After 5 strikes (combination of swings and fouls), batter will hit off tee.
- In addition to 1st & 3rd Base Coaches, the Catching Coach can assist Batters with stance and swing
- Bunting is not allowed.
- Players advance one Base on a hit. The last hitter in each inning is the home-run hitter, the kids can then run all the way to home.
- Base runners may not take leads. One foot must remain on the Base until the Ball has been hit.
- Players may not attempt to advance on overthrows.
- Only 2 Players may hold Bats at any given time (Batter at the Plate, and the Batter On-Deck).
- Batters must drop the Bat after hitting the Ball. Throwing the Bat after first warning is an Out.

General Notes

- All accidents should be reported to the League's Commissioner.
- The website/commissioner will tell you if a field is closed or game cancelled. Once game starts, it is up to the coaches.
- Lighting/Thunder: MUST wait 20 minutes after either.

Parents, please organize snacks and drinks for the players after each game

Coaches, please have fun with your young players.

Let's make the players love baseball so much that they want to come back next year.