

# **Cedar Springs Junior Ball League Tee-Ball RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**\*NEW FOR 2025**

1. Games shall be 1 hour long, and no new inning shall start after 50 minutes from the time the game started.
2. \*Coaches will let 5 players bat each inning. For example, inning 1, players 1 through 5 will bat and then your team will take the field. Inning 2, players 6-10 will bat and so on. This is to speed up the game and get players more time away from the bench.
3. Bat length max is 27".
4. Tennis shoes or cleats are allowed. Closed toe footwear only. No Sandals or metal cleats.
5. Throwing of the bat is not allowed.
6. Sliding is not permitted.
7. Outs will be taught. The runner will remain on base.
8. No league standings and no official score is to be kept. Since no standings are kept, all games will not need to be made up.
9. Defensive coaches are permitted to be on the field in fair territory for instructional purposes. Coaches are not permitted to touch a live ball, but only to instruct other players. If a ball accidentally touches a coach, the ball shall remain a live ball.
10. \* Defensive players will encourage defensive players to throw the ball to first base if the ball remains in the infield. If the ball is hit to the outfield, defensive coaches will teach the players to throw the ball to 2nd base, and then back to the pitcher to help speed up the game play.
11. The defensive team will consist of all players. Infield positions are P1, P2, 1B, 2B, SS, 3B. All others in the outfield.
12. Pitcher's distance is 35 feet. Keep the safety of the players in mind.
13. Coaches should equalize playing time in the infield and outfield for all players throughout the season. Players shall be given the opportunity to play a variety of positions. It's helpful to play the same position 2 innings in a game.
14. Offensive coaches are permitted to stand out of fair territory next to first and third base to help base-coach.

15. Batters and base runners must wear helmets at all times.
16. All offensive players must be seated on the bench except the batter and any base runners. Under NO Exception will there be an on-deck batter swing the bat.
17. On the third swing if the batter cannot put the ball in fair play, the coach will help the player hit the ball.
18. Runners can only advance 1 base per hit ball.
19. There is to be no leadoff or stealing by the runners. An advance to the next base can only take place when the ball is hit into fair territory.
20. An inning shall end after all players have had a turn at bat.
21. All batters must hit off a TEE for the first 3 weeks of games. If ready, the 4th week of game play, the player will have the option to do a soft toss with the coach.
22. No Chattering is allowed by either team or there spectators
23. Weather Policy - The CSJBL Board has till 5:00pm the day of game or practice to cancel due to weather. A Sport Engine email will be sent and it will be posted on Facebook. If lighting is seen, there is a half hour delay. All players must be removed from the playing field.
24. Field Prep - please fill in holes in the baseline and home plate area after every game /Practice. CSJBL will drag fields on the weekend.
25. Trash - Home team is responsible for taking care of the trash. If the Bin is at least halfway full, please change the bag out. New bags are in concessions.
26. AED and first aid kit are located in the concession stand.

Things you can do to help speed up the games: ♦ Be ready to start and take the field at your starting time. ♦ Have your players warmed-up before game time. ♦ Have your lineup ready before you arrive at the park. ♦ In the event you still can't get your games in on time we will discuss alternative