

T-Ball Rules

Game length will be 3 innings (each team will bat their lineup 3 times)

- 1 All players listed on the roster in attendance will take the field during defense. Only 6 players may be on the infield all others must play behind the base line. The coach must give each player the opportunity to play both infield and outfield in each game. A player may not continually play the same position for more than 2 consecutive innings.
- 2 There are no provided score keepers
- 3 The umpire will place the ball on the tee.
- 4 The coach may help adjust the tee for their players and also help the player to be positioned correctly in the batters box.
- 5 A batted ball must go beyond the 12-foot arc in front of home plate or it will be ruled a foul ball.
- 6 A half inning is complete after the entire team has batted once. The entire roster will bat each inning regardless of runs or outs. Team batting orders will be fixed throughout the game and must include all players in attendance.
- 7 The on deck batter must stay in the on deck circle while the previous player is at bat.
- 8 Batters will receive a warning about thrown bats.
- 9 All players on offense must wear a helmet if they are on the field of play.
- 10 Strikes will not be counted. Each player will bat until they put the ball in play.
- 11 No lead offs or stealing
- 12 A play is over when the ball is returned to the infield and is controlled by an infielder on the infield. If a runner has passed the halfway mark between bases when the play stops, the runner will be awarded the next base. If the runner has not passed the halfway mark they must return to the last base touched.
- 13 All infielders are required to stay behind the player in the pitchers position
- 14 If a player is put out by the defense, they are out and must return to the dugout.
- 15 One defensive coach will be allowed on the field.
- 16 Teams need a minimum of 7 players to start a game. The opposing team may share players in order for both teams to have enough participants and play the game.
- 17 The City of Garnett Parks and Recreation Department promotes this program as a drug free environment for all participants. Coaches will not be allowed to smoke or chew tobacco while in the dugout or on the field during games. Any coach that is determined to have been drinking when arriving to the game will not be permitted in the dugout or on the field
- 18 PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS T-BALL, WE ARE ALL HERE TO HAVE FUN AND TEACH THE KIDS THE FUNDAMENTALS OF THE GAME.