

Hemlock Youth Baseball & Softball

Rules: T-ball Rules

Instructional T-Ball League:

- Children participating in tee-ball need parental supervision during practices and games.
- Coach or parent may assist at home plate. Each team may station adults on the field to instruct players.
- Coaches are urged to use all of their players equally. Remember, the game is played for the fun and enjoyment of youngsters, and to ready them for continued play at the next level.
- Don't hesitate to ask your players parents for help during practice and during games...you'll find that most folks are willing and eager to help.
- HYB&S provides shirts and hats that the players keep at the end of the season. Baseball/softball pants are not required. Cleats are not required. Leather ball gloves are required and expected to be provided by the parent. (If this cannot be fulfilled please contact a HYBS Board Member ASAP.) Helmets and bats are provided by the league but expected to be turned in at the end of the season. The player may bring his/her own equipment but the league is NOT responsible for it – please put a name on it!
- Equipment turn-in is generally the second week in June...more details to follow.

Game Rules

1. Games will be played with all offensive players on the field.
2. All players present will bat in full roster order.
3. There will be no leading off or stealing of bases.
4. An inning is batting one (1) full rotation.
5. Runners may advance one (1) base on an over thrown ball (the base he/she is running to plus more).
6. A miss is called when:
 - a. The ball doesn't travel more than 4 feet in front of the tee or
 - b. When the tee and ball are missed completely.
7. Five (5) misses is a walk.
8. Helmets must be worn at all times by (batters, catchers, and base runners)
9. The play ends when the ball is in the possession of the catcher or within the chalked plate area. Ball is then tee'd for the next batter in order.
10. When the last batter comes to bat the batting team is assumed to have two (2) outs.
11. Game length is 3 innings or one (1) hour.
12. The batter or runner will be called out for intentional throwing of the bat or any equipment. One warning per game, per player.
13. A coach or parent will remove tee with runner heading home.
14. The pitcher must stay in the pitcher circle until ball is batted. Pitching circle shall be six (6) feet in diameter.
15. Score will not be officially kept.
16. The players will remain in the bench area during the game.
17. The pitching rubber is thirty-five (35) feet from home plate. The bases are forty (40) feet apart. A line will be chalked from one edge of the backstop to the other, curved so that it reaches four (4) feet from in front of home plate.