



West Vancouver Little League Tee Ball Division Rules (Ages 5–6)

Equipment and Safety

- Players will receive a team jersey and hat to wear for all games and practices. Baseball pants, cleats, and a belt are encouraged. Shorts are not permitted.
- Each player must have their own glove. A baseball glove is worn on the non-throwing hand: a right-handed thrower wears the glove on the left hand, and a left-handed thrower wears the glove on the right hand.
- A protective cup or jill is encouraged for all practices and games to get used to proper baseball safety habits.
- Batting helmets must be worn at all times when batting and running the bases.
- Only the batter and the next hitter on deck may hold a bat. No swinging is allowed in the dugout or on the field except when at bat.
- Only USA Baseball–approved bats are permitted. USSSA bats are not permitted.

Practice and Game Procedures

- Tee Ball focuses on introducing the fundamentals of baseball and building teamwork in a fun and supportive setting.
- Players arrive 10 minutes before the scheduled start time, ready to participate.
- Parent participation is essential to the success of Tee Ball. Coaches rely on parents to assist with basic drills, help players stay organized, and support a positive learning environment.
- Parents stay on the field and throw with their own player during drills and warm ups.
- There is no designated home or away team, all families share responsibility for setup and cleanup before and after practices and games.
- Players help pick up equipment and any garbage to ensure the field area is left clean after each session.
- Coaches lead warm ups and guide all on-field activities.
- Rain Policy: Final call will be made by 3:30 pm. If rained out, practices or games are canceled and families are notified through TeamSnap email.
- Additional Support: Parents or guardians must stay with any player who requires additional support to follow instructions, stay engaged, or participate safely. A parent or guardian works directly with their player for the full session while coaches lead the group. This ensures the player is supported in the way that works best for them and allows coaches to focus on the entire team.

Game Rules

- Games are non-competitive and no scores are kept.
- All players bat each inning in a continuous order.
- Every player rotates through both infield and outfield positions.
- Coaches may assist on the field for instruction.

Responsibilities

Player Responsibilities

- Respect teammates, coaches, umpires, and opponents at all times.
- Keep the field and stands clean after every game. A good team leaves the field cleaner than they found it.
- Stay engaged during games and practices. No wandering from the dugout without coach permission.
- Control temper. Swearing, throwing equipment, or disrespectful behavior may result in removal from the game or suspension.
- Communicate directly with coaches regarding lateness or absences.
- Accept positions assigned by coaches. No trading or refusing positions.
- Players stay with their team until the coach officially ends the session. Players take part in the post game or practice team meeting before leaving.

Coach Responsibilities

- Provide clear expectations and consistent opportunities for player development.
- Treat umpires, players, and parents with respect and handle disagreements calmly.
- Enforce discipline and sportsmanship, holding players accountable for effort, attitude, and respect.
- Communicate directly with players and parents, addressing concerns privately after games or practices.

Parent Responsibilities

- Stay at the field during all practices and games. Tee Ball is not a drop-off program.
- Support players by encouraging effort, sportsmanship, and commitment.
- Actively participate in Tee Ball sessions by helping coaches run drills, manage batting order, and support players on and off the field.
- Direct questions or concerns to coaches privately after practices or games.
- Model positive behavior toward umpires, players, and coaches.
- Support coaches in assigning positions, especially for new players building confidence.
- All league and team messages are sent through TeamSnap email. Parents are responsible for checking messages and contacting the coach if they are not receiving updates.