



## SMBA T-Ball Rules

T-Ball is a skill-building, learning experience. The score is not the focus of the game.

### Rules of Play

- 45 feet between the bases.
- Every player bats and plays in the field.
- The ball is hit off a batting tee, there is no pitching.
- No extra bases will be awarded on overthrows.
- There may only be 6 infielder and 7 outfielders.
- The defensive pitcher must stand on or behind the playing line (A line between the first base line and third base line.)
- The ball must travel 5 feet or it is foul, draw semi-circle in front of the plate.
- No fielder may cross the playing line until the ball is hit.
- No stealing. The player(s) must stay on the base(s) until the ball is hit.
- An inning is over when all of the players have batted once.
- Three outs do not end an inning. Each team bats its entire team.
- The game is 3 innings or an hour; whichever comes first.
- A player is out if thrown out, tagged, a forced out or caught fly. The player must leave the field when out.
- Pitchers wear helmets.
- Scores are not kept because these games are not official.
- Helmets must be worn while a player is at bat or on the base path.
- Tee-adjustable, flexible tube on a moveable base.

Remember: Games are about development. If a team is short players there is no forfeit, play the game using the kids that are there and share kids among teams if necessary to complete the games.