



## **Tomball Little League FAQ**

### **What divisions do you offer?**

4U T-ball, 5U T-ball, 6U Coach pitch, 7-8U Machine Pitch, 9-10U Kid Pitch, 11U Minors, 12U Majors, 13-14 Juniors, 15-16 Seniors (see bottom of FAQ for division descriptions).

### **What age group does my child belong in?**

Review the age calculator [HERE](#)

### **Why do we use the spring league age in the fall season?**

The purpose of the fall season is to prepare each child for the next spring season. This allows kids to experience new age groups (ex – Machine Pitch and Coach Pitch) to allow them to work on fundamentals. The fall season is geared toward skill development.

### **How do I know if I fall within the Tomball Little League boundaries?**

Enter your address [HERE](#)

If your home address does not fall within the Tomball Little League District but your child attends a school within the District they would be eligible to play at Tomball Little League.

### **What is included in registration?**

For the fall season we provide each player with a jersey and hat. There will be 10 games plus an end of season tournament (weather permitting).

For the spring season we provide each player with a jersey, hat, belt, and socks. There will be 12 games plus an end of season tournament.

### **What does my registration money go towards?**

Field and park maintenance, umpires, uniforms, baseballs, catchers equipment, Little League charter and other Little League expenses, etc.

### **Can I request a specific Coach or for my child to be with another player?**

We do our best to honor all coach and teammate requests in our T-ball and coach pitch divisions. We do not honor these requests for machine pitch age group and older as these kids will be drafted to teams by the Managers.

### **Why are there player evaluations?**

This allows Managers to evaluate each kid for purposes of drafting their teams. Evaluations take place for kids league age 7 and above. Kids will get the chance to hit, run, field, and pitch (if they choose to do so for age 9 and up). If your child is unable to attend one of the scheduled

evaluations you should contact one of the Player Agents prior to the scheduled evaluation sessions (contact info can be found on the Board Member list) to schedule an alternate day/time. Managers will rank every player on the skills listed above and each player will end up with an average ranking. Managers will utilize these rankings as well as their own notes to draft players to their team.

#### **What is the refund policy?**

Players who request a refund from the league prior to the last day of the drafts will receive a full 100% refund. Players who request a refund from the league after the last day of drafts will receive no refund without a valid medical reason.

#### **How often are there practices/games?**

All children in T-ball and Coach Pitch will have 2 activities (games/practices) per week. All children in Machine Pitch and older will have 3 activities (games/practices) per week.

#### **What kind of bat should I buy for my child?**

Little League requires that all bats be USA Baseball Standard bat. These bats will have a USA sticker/designation on them.

#### **How do I sign up to be a Manager, Coach, or Team Mom?**

During the registration process, you can select the option to volunteer in one of these positions.

#### **What are the responsibilities of a Manager?**

The Manager is the leader of the team. They can delegate as they see fit but are ultimately responsible for leading the team. They can work with the parents of their team to seek volunteers to help (coaches, team mom, etc).

#### **What are the responsibilities of a Coach?**

The Coach is responsible for helping the Manager run the team. They can help with a variety of roles, but a coach typically helps with teaching the kids the game of baseball and helping during practices and games.

#### **What are the responsibilities of a Team Mom?**

The Team Mom is responsible for helping the Manager handle administrative tasks. They will attend the team mom meeting, pass out information to the team, help coordinate communication with the team, help coordinate game day volunteers, etc.

#### **Division Descriptions**

- 4-5U T-ball
  - Kids will learn the fundamentals of baseball and will hit off of a tee
  - 2 activities (games/practices) per week
  - Score is not kept and there is no end of season tournament for this age group
- 6U Coach Pitch

- Kids will be given three pitches from the coach and if they do not hit the ball will be given three swings off of the tee
- 2 activities (games/practices) per week
- Score is not kept in the regular season
- There will be an end of season tournament in which score will be kept
- Single A Machine Pitch
  - This league is for all kids league age 7 and 8
  - Age group will be split into two divisions
  - Kids will learn how to hit the ball off of a pitching machine
  - 3 activities (games/practices) per week
  - Score is kept and there is an end of season tournament
  - 5 runs max per inning
  - In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars
- Double A Kid Pitch
  - This league is for all kids league age 9 and 10
  - Age group will be split into two divisions
  - Kids will learn how to pitch and how to hit off of other kid pitchers
  - 3 activities (games/practices) per week
  - Score is kept and there is an end of season tournament
  - 5 runs max per inning
  - In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars
- Triple A
  - This league is for kids league age 11 who do not play up in Majors (exceptions can be made for 12 year old's to play in this division)
  - Age group will be split into two divisions if there are enough kids
  - 3 activities (games/practices) per week
  - Score is kept and there is an end of season tournament
  - 5 runs max per inning
  - In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars
- Majors
  - This league is for kids league age 12 and some 11 year old's (all 12 year old's play in this division unless there is an exception made for the child to play in Triple A)
  - Age group will be split into two divisions if there are enough kids
  - 3 activities (games/practices) per week
  - Score is kept and there is an end of season tournament
  - Cumulative runs per inning (5 in the 1<sup>st</sup>, up to 10 in the second, etc)
  - In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars
- Juniors
  - This league is for kids league age 13 and 14
  - 3 activities (games/practices) per week
  - Score is kept and there is an end of season tournament

- Cumulative runs per inning (5 in the 1<sup>st</sup>, up to 10 in the second, etc)
  - In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars
- Seniors
  - This league is for kids league age 15 and 16
  - 3 activities (games/practices) per week
  - Score is kept
  - No run rule per inning
  - In the spring season, kids are eligible for All Stars