

# 2016 BBSA Instructional T Ball Rules

## General Rules

- 3 outs or 1 complete turn through the batting order ends an inning
- 3 Innings signals the end of a game. If both managers decide to play a 4<sup>th</sup> inning of Tball that is allowed as long as it stays within the 90 minute time limit.
- The defensive teams coach will be in charge of calling outs on the bases each inning.
- Bases must be placed at 50 ft
- Home team sets up the bases, visiting team is responsible for putting them away

## Batting

- All Batting orders are in a consecutive order. All players attending the game must be placed in the batting order. Any late arriving players will be added to the bottom of the batting order.
- From Opening Day through May 31st a Batting Tee is mandatory for all batters
- From June 1 through the end of the season a manager is allowed to throw 5 pitches to a hitter. If the ball is not put in play after 5 pitches a tee will be brought out for the hitter.
- A player can continue to run the bases until the defensive team throws the ball back to the infield. (The ball does not need to be in the defenders possession, just be in the vicinity of the infield). If a player has already started to advance to the next base they will be allowed to continue to run to that base.
- A player will not be allowed to advance a base on an overthrow
- All batters must wear helmets

## Defense

- All players attending the game must play the field each inning.
- Every player must play the infield at least once during the game
- All standard defensive positions must be occupied with the exception of pitcher. 4 outfielders and a short centerfielder are allowed in the event that there are more than 10 players at a game
- Once a defensive player throws the ball back into the infield the play is ruled dead. (The ball just needs to bounce on the dirt)
- 3 outs ends an inning