

# Wylie Youth Baseball Association 4U Rules

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## T-BALL SPECIFIC RULES

### 4U Only



### Update as of Spring 2018

## Wylie Baseball Association

These rules are general guidelines for coaches and volunteers to use during T-Ball games while playing for the Wylie Youth Baseball Association. There are some pre and post-game duties that need to be attended to that are added as well.

First and foremost, T-Ball is about fun for the players. The coaches and parents will have fun participating in the development of the players, watching them grow and learn to love the game of baseball.

Please err on the side of safety and good sportsmanship when teaching the players and participating during the games.

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**Quick Summary:** No set innings; 50 minute time limit; no outs or runs recorded. Each team player bats around each inning.

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## GAME:

- 1) It is the **home team's responsibility** to get the bases from lock box, if they are not on the field. There is one located outside the fence on CP-2 (Left field) and outside the fence on CP-3 (Right field) or inside the dugout.
- 2) The **Visiting team's responsibility** is to put bases away unless there is a game following.
- 3) There is a drop dead time limit of **1 hour per game**
- 4) During the week, or before the game begins, both coaches will need to decide if they want to complete the inning they are in, which might run you past the 45 minute time limit, or adhere to the drop dead limit. Both coaches must agree.
- 5) There is no score kept or game results reported.
- 6) There are **no umpires** or volunteers acting as umpires.
  - a. No outs are recorded but do try to get players to understand 'getting the out.'
  - b. To help players stay focused, you may have as many parents on the field as you would like. Make sure they stay out of the way of the ball and player.
- 7) There are no protests in T-Ball.

## Team Batting:

- 1) WYBA uses a continuous batting order per inning per game. All players bat per inning.
- 2) Please rotate the batting order each game, so every player gets the chance to be the leadoff batter and the last batter.
- 3) Each player gets a single base hit until the **last batter**, who will round the bases.
- 4) No player may have a **bat in their hands** unless they are in fact batting. No bats may be held by players in the dugout and there is no on deck circle. This is a major safety rule.

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## After the Game Information:

- 1) After the game the teams should line up to shake hands\high five and greet with something to the effect of “Good Game”. This is normally done by the home team starting on the 1<sup>st</sup> base side and the visiting team on the 3<sup>rd</sup> base side and the teams meeting in a line at the pitchers rubber. The coaches can either lead or follow the line although it is preferred to lead the line so that the players would have an example to follow.
- 2) After the greeting, please clear the dugout as soon as possible for the next game if there is one.
- 3) Throw away any trash left in the dugout.
- 4) Please communicate any game or player issues to the league director, President or VP of WYBA. Their contact information can be found at [www.wyliesports.org](http://www.wyliesports.org) under the Contact Us tab.