



Rules and Regulations – K T-ball & Grade 1 Modified T-ball

I. Team Roster

- a. All players must be registered through our online, Team Sideline registration system, in order to participate in the program.
- b. Team rosters are limited to a maximum of twelve players. Additional players must be approved by the Recreation Coordinator. South Suburban reserves the right to add players to the rosters to reach the minimum of 10.

II. Eligibility Rules

- a. This program is designed for boys and girls grades K & 1st.

III. Playing Time

- a. Games will 50 minutes long.
- b. Except for the need to finish the inning, no play will occur after the 50 minutes of play has elapsed from the beginning of the game. The coaches should hustle their players in and out of the dugout between innings to move the game along.
- c. All individuals are required to receive an equal amount of playing time per session.
- d. A coach is not required to play a player an equal amount of playing time for the following reasons:
 1. Player is sick, injured, or coming off an injury.
 2. Parents' request.
 3. Player misbehavior.

IV. Practices

- a. Teams will meet 1 time per week for a game – this is determined by the division the player has signed up for (either Wednesday or Thursday). Teams will also meet 1 time per week for a practice (2 total meets per week). The day, time, and location of practice will be determined by the head volunteer coach.

V. Uniforms

- a. Each participant will be given a team shirt and major league baseball cap.

VI. Game Locations

- a. Games will be played between 5:30 – 8:30 pm on scheduled days, and may be held at the following fields:
 1. Cherry Knolls Park (CKP), Willow Creek Park (WCP), or deKoevend Park (DEK).

VII. Rainout Line

- a. 303-219-1150 or www.rainoutline.com, option 3 (search SSPRD) or use app.
- b. In case of inclement weather, or crisis situations, no decision will be made on the status of the games until 4:00pm. There will be days when a decision may not be made until start time due to late breaking situations.

VIII. Rules

- a. Baseball Size
 1. Soft touch 9” baseballs
- b. All games will be played on grass fields with either permanent or temporary backstops.
- c. Score are NOT kept.
- d. Metal cleats are NOT allowed.

IX. No umpires will be provided

- a. Coaches and/or parents will be asked to umpire games. Umpires will coach batters and pitchers based on habits they consistently see and can correct. They will also explain calls that players seem to not understand.
- b. Base distances will be 50’.
- c. Half inning is one time thru the order. (13 players max)

X. Batting/Pitching

- a. Batting order consists of all players on the roster. A late player should be put to the end of the batting order.
- b. Runners put out during play should stay on the base. We want all kids to have the opportunity to run the bases.
- c. Runners may not advance on an overthrow.
- d. Players may not steal home on a dropped ball.
- e. For Kindergarten T-ball, players will hit from a tee. Player will have 6 attempts to put the ball in play. If unsuccessful, player will go to first base. For Grade 1 modified T-ball, player will receive 4 pitches from a coach to hit the ball. If they are unsuccessful, they will then receive 2 attempts to hit the ball from the Tee. If still unsuccessful, player will go to first base.

XI. Defense

- a. Up to 10 participants may take the field.
- b. Coaches with teams greater than 10 players should sub out positions during the game.
- c. Coaches are allowed on the field.
- d. A player is NOT required in the position of catcher.

Elastic Power:

The South Suburban Athletics staff reserves the right to establish guidelines for any and all rules or infractions not covered in the league rules and to refuse participation to any individual or coach if they do not obey the rules and regulations and keep within the spirit of sportsmanship.

Comments on the Rules:

These rules are intended to create a balance of play; to create an atmosphere of sportsmanship and fair play; and to emphasize cleverness and skill without limiting freedom of individuals or team play. It is important to know the intent and purpose of a rule so that it may be intelligently applied in each play situation. A player or team should not be permitted an advantage which is not intended by a rule. Play will not be permitted to develop which may lead to placing a player at a disadvantage not intended by a rule.

Alcohol, smoking, and chewing tobacco products in all parks are prohibited.

| | T-Ball | Modified T-Ball | Baseball & Softball | Baseball & Softball | Baseball & Softball |
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| Upcoming Fall Grade | Kindergarten | Grade 1 | Grades 2/3 | Grades 4/5 | Grades 6/7/8 |
| Co-Rec | Yes | Yes | No | No | No |
| Ball | Soft touch 9"BB | Soft touch 9" BB | Soft touch 9" BB, 11" SB | 9" BB, 11 " SB | 9" BB, 11" SB |
| Pitcher | Tee | Tee to Coach | Coach | Coach to player | Player |
| # of Pitches | 6 tee | 4 coach, 2 tee (or 6 tee) | 6 pitches | Coach pitch if player reaches 4 ball count | Standard AB |
| Batter makes an out or doesn't get a hit | Stay/Place on base | Stay/Place on base | Back to dugout | Back to dugout | Back to dugout |
| Play stops when ball in control | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Leadoffs | No | No | No | No | No |
| Stealing | No | No | No | No | Yes BB, no SB |
| Runners advance on overthrow | No | No | No | Yes (1 base) | Yes (1 base) |
| Catcher's gear | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Coaches allowed on field during play | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Half inning consists of | Once through order (13 max) | Once through order (13 max) | Once through order (13 max) | 3 outs or 7 runs | 3 outs or 7 runs |
| Playing time | 50 minutes | 50 minutes | 60 minutes | 75 minutes | 90 minutes |
| Playing field | Grass | Grass | Grass | Dirt | Dirt |
| Base distance | 50' | 50' | 50' | 70' BB, 60 SB | 70' BB, 60' SB |
| Pitchers mound distance | N/A | N/A | N/A | 40' SB, 46' BB | 40' SB, 46' BB |
| Score kept | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |