

## Southeast Diamondbacks Little League Tee Ball Division Rules

- 1. Bases will be set at 50ft. The pitcher's position is roughly 36 feet from home plate.
- 2. Tee Ball division will use the "SOFT" (code #1) baseballs only.
- 3. Most of the games will be on the regulation baseball field.
- 4. Both teams are responsible for setting up and taking down the field. (Typically, the home team sets up and the visitors take down the field including all lines.)
- 5. HOME team will sit along the third base line and VISITORS will sit along the first base line

## 6. GAME PROCEEDINGS:

- a. The majority of the games will be played on the regulation baseball diamond.
- b. Game time shall not exceed 45 minutes. Once a player steps into the batter's box, neither the no new inning nor drop-dead rule can be enforced until the player completes his or her at bat.
- c. OFFICIAL GAME TIME: The official start time of every game is the scheduled game time of that game. (If a 45-minute game starts 15 minutes late, the teams will have 15 minutes less to play.) The league President, Vice-President or Umpire In Chief will be the sole determinant of any exceptions to this rule.
- d. Each team will bat their entire lineup each inning.
- e. An offensive half inning ENDS when the offensive team has batted their entire roster. The last batter of the inning gets to run all the bases, so change your batting order each game.
- f. All defensive players must be used in the field each inning. No player shall sit out.
- 7. Move players around <u>each</u> inning so they can play a variety of positions. Assign 3 coaches/parent volunteers to different zones in the field to help players stay in their zone.
- 8. There is <u>NO</u> catcher in the Tee-ball division.
- 9. EVERY batter and baserunner must always wear a helmet.
- 10. Players may only advance one base per at bat. Players may not advance to another base on a fielding error or overthrow.
- 11. No on deck batters! No warm-up swings or hitting sticks, etc. This is a Little League rule.
- 12. Players must stay on the bench until it is their turn to bat.
- 13. Sliding is not allowed!!!
- 14. Games should not be forfeited due to lack of players. Play with the players you have.
- 15. There is NO end of season tournament. All players will receive a participation trophy or medal.

## **16. COACH INFORMATION:**

- a. A MAXIMUM OF FOUR coaches/managers may be with the team at any time.
- b. All coaches must be registered with the SEDLL system.
- c. Coaches may be in the outfield during defensive play.
- d. One coach must always remain on the bench if players are on the bench.

## Tee-ball is designed to provide the foundation and introduction of baseball.

SEDLL Tee-ball goals for 4–6-year old's: learning to listen to a coach, following directions, being part of a team and most of all having fun! Keep the kids moving and active!