

## HRCE Tee Ball Rules

- There are no official umpires. Coaches from both teams work together to manage the game. There are no “outs.” The most common call is a foul ball.
- Every player will bat each inning. An at bat lasts until the hitter hits a fair ball - there are no strike outs. There is no minimum distance a ball must be hit.
- The batting order will remain the same the entire game, although coaches can choose to rotate which player bats first each inning, while keeping the order of players consistent.
- Games will be 3 innings in length, but can be shortened / lengthened by mutual agreement of both coaches.
- No score is kept.
- Baserunners are always considered “safe” even when in reality they might be “out.”
- The inning is complete when the last batter for the team has hit. The hitting team should announce to the defensive team when the last hitter of the inning is at bat. The last batter and all the baserunners should run all the way to home plate on the last hit. Typically the defense attempts to get the ball home before all the runners have scored on the last at bat.
- Defensive positions should be rotated each inning.
- The pitcher and catcher should stand in proximity of their positions.
- Infielders must be even with or deeper than the baseline until the ball is hit.
- Outfielders must be in the grass until the ball is hit.
- Basepaths are 50 feet.
- The catcher should wear a batting helmet to reduce the risk of errant bats and balls hitting anyone's head.