# Village of Kimberly Parks & Recreation T-Ball Rules

### **Batting**

- Every player will bat.
- Four runs will be allowed per inning for every inning played.
- All batters and base runners will be required to wear helmets. If the helmet or any
  equipment is thrown, the batter or base runner will be warned. The second time it
  occurs, the player will be ejected from the game.
- Bunting is not allowed.
- Players may use the bat of their choice.
- Each player will have the opportunity to hit a fair ball, players will not strike out in the t-ball league.
- Coaches are allowed on the field to assist players at the batting position, adjust the tee, and support them as needed.

## **Fielding**

- A player must play the field at least every other inning.
- All defensive players must be at least 43' from home plate.
- Up to ten players will assume the regular fielding positions; having four in the outfield.
- The player in the pitcher position must stay behind the pitching rubber until the ball is in play.
- Infield fly rule will not be used.
- No player will be allowed to play the same position twice in a game.
- All defensive players must occupy a baseball position, outfielders must remain on the grass until the ball is in play.
- Up to two coaches are allowed on the field to assist players with fielding and provide guidance, placement is based on coaches' discretion.

#### Length of Game

- Games will be four innings long or 45 minutes, whichever happens first.
- Tied games will end in a tie.
- Three innings will constitute a game if the game is called because of rain.
- All players must hustle out to their positions the inning will start as soon as all players in both the field and batting are ready.

#### Base Running

- Runners cannot steal bases and cannot lead off or start running until the ball is in play.
- There is no tagging up.
- Runners may not advance on an overthrow.
- Runners must slide feet first into all bases.
- Runners can advance one base at a time per hitter to give kids the most at bats as possible as well as allow for more outfielder experience.

#### Other

- Sportsmanship: All league participants, coaches, and parents are expected to behave in a sportsmanlike manner. Foul language and other unsportsmanlike behavior is not tolerated in Kimberly Rec Leagues.
- Teams need a minimum of 8 players to field a team. If less than 8 are present on any given night, teams may borrow from the opposing team and game stats will be recorded as played out.
- Weather cancellations will be posted on the Village of Kimberly Facebook page
  as well as updated on the rain out line at (920) 687-7890, and participants will be
  emailed. Game updates can be located in your RecDesk profile with time, field,
  and team updates. Visible lightning or thunder strikes during game play will
  cause the game to be paused, please follow umpire direction.
- Lost and found: All items will be turned into Village of Kimberly baseball coordinator and will remain at the park it is found in for the season i.e. Roosevelt or Sunset Parks