

WENDELL PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
LOCAL T-BALL RULES

1. All games will be played at Wendell Park.
2. All players must use a glove.
3. Each team will field a lineup of every team member present for the game. Those that arrive late will be added to the bottom of the lineup.
4. Games will be four (4) innings long or 45 minutes, whichever comes first.
5. Everyone will bat in each inning. The batting order will start at the top and go to the bottom in the first inning; start at the bottom and go to the top in the second inning, and continue this rotation until the game is over.
6. Players will swing until they put the ball in play.
7. There will be a ten (10) foot circle drawn around home plate. If a bat is thrown out of the circle after the ball is hit, the batter will be called out.
8. Only the regular number of fielders will be allowed on the infield area. All others must be placed at least 5 feet behind the infielders.
9. Pitchers must stay in his/her position until the ball is hit.
10. Infielders must stay behind the base lines until the ball is hit.
11. Only one base may be advanced on overthrown balls to first and third bases.
12. No stealing! Base runners must stay in contact with the base until the ball is hit.
13. On a play at home plate, if the defensive player has control of the ball inside the 10 foot circle area before the base runner enters the circle, the runner will be called out. If the base runner enters the 10 foot circle before the defensive player has control of the ball, the runner is safe. Tagging the runner is not necessary. (This is to avoid contact with the batting tee). For safety reasons, teams will not field a catcher.
14. Three (3) coaches are allowed on the field to assist in the game. Defensive coaches - two (2) in the outfield and one (1) behind the pitchers mound. Offensive coaches (3) - one (1) coaching first base, one (1) coaching third base and (1) helping at home plate.
15. No score will be kept. Remember, T-Ball is for the children to learn the basics of baseball and to **HAVE FUN**.
16. If a player is called out, they must leave the base.
17. Wendell Parks and Recreation does not provide trophies.