

ATLEE LITTLE LEAGUE
2016 Local Ground Rules

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Tee Ball I Division (Ages 4•5) 6 year olds may play down

The Tee Ball I Division is considered an instructional division and while the intent is to play by Little League rules, there are exceptions to the rules that are being made below. These exceptions are being made to promote instruction, a safe playing environment, and a positive experience for all that are involved.

General Policies

1. Before the regular season begins, teams are limited to three practices (includes practice games) per calendar week (Sunday through Saturday). Once the regular season begins, teams are limited to one practice per calendar week. Batting practice and warm up drills prior to games do not count as practices. Practices shall not exceed one hour.
2. No more than four practice games may be played between league teams before league play. No such practice games are allowed once league play has begun.
3. Players, managers, and coaches from each team will meet at home plate after each game to shake hands.

Managers, Coaches, and Umpires

1. Tee Ball teams may have up to four coaches and one manager.
2. Managers shall notify the respective division director of any problems related to players, umpires and/or parents.

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1. Except as noted herein, Little League Official Regulations and Playing Rules will govern all play at Atlee Little League including Inter-league games.
2. Games will end forty-five minutes from the scheduled start time.
3. All outfielders must position themselves on the outfield grass approximately ten (10) feet from the infield before play starts. Once the ball is hit they may come forward to the infield area. Up to two defensive coaches are allowed in the outfield and one on the infield near the pitcher.
4. An inning will be over when the last batter in the lineup has hit and the defensive team either earned an out or an infielder raises the ball in the infield in fair territory. Base runners shall not continue running the bases. If three outs are earned before the last batter has hit, the bases are cleared and the number of outs is reset to zero.

5. Bunting is not allowed.
6. The infield fly rule will not be enforced.
7. Play will stop when an infielder raises the ball on the infield in fair territory. Runners more than half the distance to the next base when play stops will be allowed to occupy the next base. All others will return to the previous base unless they are forced to the next base.
8. The adult base coaches will umpire. No player base coaches will be allowed.
9. All players must play in the infield during the game.
10. A batted ball must cross the 10foot arc around home plate to be a fair ball. The bat must come in contact with the ball to be considered fair.

Protective Equipment

1. Players must wear batting helmets with face shields when batting, running the bases, or coaching 1st or 3rd base during regular season play. This includes batting practice in the batting cages.
2. All male players are encouraged to wear a protective cup.