

Eau Claire American Little League Tee Ball Rules

1. Please have players mark their hats, gloves, bats, and ect. to avoid confusion and lost items.
2. Players will be required to wear the sponsor shirt and hat to all games.
3. It will be the coach's responsibility to contact their players if a game is canceled
4. Coaches will need to communicate with each other and the league about rescheduling canceled games.
5. If a player needs to leave a game early or comes late to a game, the coach will try to get the player into the game as best as possible.
6. Players are not allowed to leave the dugout without coach's permission. Players will not be allowed to climb on the fences, stand on the benches, or have food in the dugout. It is suggested to have one parent be in charge of the dugout.
7. Coaches should have their players at the ball field by 6pm so the practice/game can start on time. If players come after 6:15 coaches will insert them into the lineup or practice drill as they show up. Try to have a batting order set and player's defensive positions ready before the game starts.
8. Home team as noted on the schedule should have the bases on the field ready for the start.
9. Bat-boys or bat-girls are **not permitted**, in accordance to Little League rules.
10. The on-deck position is **not permitted** on the field or outside the dugout, in accordance with Little League rules.
11. Teams will be required to use a soft, safety baseball all season.
12. Coaches should rotate your batting order throughout the year.
13. Draw an arc from the first baseline to the third baseline 15 feet out from the back corner of home plate to use as a fair ball line. The ball must go past the line before the player can advance to first.
14. Each player will bat one (1) time per inning.
15. There will be no strikeouts at batting. Each batter will swing until they successfully hit the ball.

16. Before coaches place the ball on the batting tee they must insure that all players are ready.
17. Please emphasize the importance of setting or gently dropping bats after hitting the ball – NO THROWING BATS.
18. All base runners will advance one base at a time.
19. If a player makes an out, the player should return to the dugout. An exception would be if a player is not able to reach first base due to a challenging circumstance.
20. All batters and runners must wear a little league approved helmet with a chin strap.
21. Players fielding the catcher position must wear a mask with a helmet and a chest protector.
22. Coaches should rotate their players between different defensive positions. This is extremely important with the age group due to the lack of action of some positions.
23. The maximum number of players allowed in the infield is six (6), which includes the catcher and pitcher. A full team is ten (10), with four (4) in the outfield. More players may be added to the outfield but not the infield.
24. Teams will display good sportsmanship. After each game the teams will line up and shake hands.
25. Each team is responsible for dugout clean up after every game.
26. Coaches do not keep score. Both teams are winners.
27. A game is 5 innings or 1 hour 30 minute time limit, whatever comes first. This time would include the practice drills prior to the start of games.
28. Coaches from both teams should help put the bases away and rake the field after the game.