



## **ADDITIONAL RULES NOT SPECIFIED BY USSSA SPECIFIC RULES**

### **6U FP T-Ball Rules**

- USSSA rules will be utilized unless specifically specified as "Additional Rules"
- Coaches will be held to strict conduct standards. Coaches ejected from a game will immediately be confined to parking lot and will not be allowed to return for the current "Ejected Day" as well as the next scheduled game day for your team. Regardless of the number of games the "Next Game Day" your teams has scheduled.
- 60 minute game time limit or five (5) innings whichever comes first
- No new inning will begin with five (5) or less minutes remaining in time limit
- Run rule twelve (12) after 3 innings or ten (10) after 4 innings
- Games can end in a tie. No "Extra Innings" will be used to break a tie
- "ALL" bats must have a USSSA stamp of approval to be used during games
- Ball Size - 11" USSSA CERTIFIED YELLOW COVER ONLY (STAMPED)
- Home team will be decided by coin toss during pregame umpire / coach briefing. Team dugouts not specified.
- "ALL" TEAMS "MUST" clean out their dugout and surrounding area from trash. If you inherit a dirty dugout from a team please bring this to the attention of their coaches. Coaches are responsible for cleanliness of dugouts - Set a good example
- Parents please ensure that your trash items are disposed of properly. Do not leave your trash items on bleachers or seating area. Please help us keep our park clean
- Rainouts, delays or cancellations will be announced via Our [Facebook Page](#), [Twitter Feed](#) & <http://www.BCMSports.net/> (website update could be delayed in the event computer is not available to League Director). Parents are encourage to obtain information from their Head Coach or Association (CNP, Harrah, Jones) Coordinators
- No outside food or drinks allowed in complex. Players may bring in water or Gatorade bottle on their person & teams can bring in one (1) team water container - "NO ICECHEST".
- No Sunflower Seeds or Gum Allowed On Playing Surface.

## **RULE 18 – TBALL FP RULES**

For A Complete Listing Of Playing Rules Please Refer To The 2016 USSSA Bylaws. This Is A Shorten Version That We Feel Pertain To This Particular Age Division - 2016 USSSA Bylaws & Rules

1. Ball: 11" USSSA CERTIFIED YELLOW COVER ONLY (STAMPED)
2. Distances:
  - a. The defensive player listed as pitcher shall stay in contact with the pitchers plate until batter makes contact with the ball. In the event no pitching plate is available the designated pitcher must stay within the circle with both feet until batter contacts the ball.
  - b. A Restraining Arc is thirty-five (35) feet from the point of home plate.
  - c. The catcher's arc/line is ten (10) feet from the point of home plate.
  - d. The base length is sixty (60) feet.
3. Innings: A regulation game shall be five (5) innings. Games can end in a tie.
4. Time Limits: There will be a 60 minute time limit.
5. Runs per Inning: A maximum of 6 runs can be scored each inning for each team
6. Run Rule: If either team is behind and cannot catch up or go ahead, the game shall be over immediately. Effectively that is 12 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings.
7. Offensive Lineup: The batting lineup may be any number from nine up. If a player is removed for any reason other than ejection, the spot in the batting order will be skipped with no out recorded.
8. Defensive Positions: The defensive team must have a minimum of eight (8) and may have a maximum of ten (10) players in the field.
  - a. Defensive players must remain behind the pitchers plate line extended until the batter has hit the ball.
  - b. The Pitcher must wear helmet with face mask or game face protective gear.
  - c. Six fielders including the catcher must be in the infield. The rest must be in the outfield. The outfield is defined as at least 10 feet outside of the base lines in fair territory.
  - e. Catchers must wear protective gear as prescribed in Rule 2.2.
  - f. Defensive player are encouraged to wear helmet with face mask or game face protective gear.
9. Participating Teams will provide the "T".
10. Offensive. The batter will be allowed three (3) swings. If the batter misses the ball it will be counted as a swing. If the ball goes foul, or the ball does not go over the 10' Tee Arc, this will be considered a swing. If the ball is on the line it is a fair ball. If the batter fouls a third (3) strike the batter will be called out.
  - a. Bunting is NOT allowed.
  - b. The batter will be allowed only one practice swing prior to each swing in the batter's box. Any excess practice swings will be a called strike.

c. All offensive players must wear NOCSAE Batter/batting helmets with face mask & chin straps while on the playing field.

11. There is no infield fly rule.

12. A runner may not leave a base until the ball is hit off the "T". Penalty for leaving early; runner will be called out...

13. On a hit ball there is no limit on bases allowed.

14. Stealing: A runner may not steal. A runner may not leave a base until the ball is hit off the "T". Penalty for leaving early; runner will be called out.

15. Time will be called when a defensive player has possession of the ball in advance of the lead runner or the ball is returned to the pitcher with at least one foot inside the pitcher's circle. If a runner is more than half way to the next base when time is called, the runner will be awarded the next base.

a. There is no look-back rule.

b. This rule does not preclude the Umpire from calling or granting time in situations such as when a runner has slid into a base, requests time, no other runners are advancing, or there is an injured player.

16. Additional Coaches: In addition to base coaches, a tee coach may be present.

a. The "Tee-Coach" may provide assistance to the batter prior to the Umpire placing the ball on the "T". Thereafter the coach must not assist the batter/runners vocally or with hand gestures. The "Tee Coach" will then be responsible for removing the tee and bat from the baseline. Failure to remove the tee from home plate or interfering with the play at home will result in the runner coming home being called out.

b. One coach will be allowed to stand in the on-deck circle while on defense. No other defensive coaches will be allowed on the field.