# T-BALL DIVISION

## 4.1.1 Eligibility

**T-BALL 1**: Age 6 and under according to the latest Little League Baseball League Age Chart, but no younger than League Age 3.
**T-BALL 2**: Age 7 and under according to the latest Little League Baseball League Age Chart

## 4.1.2 Playing Field

**T**he distance between bases is 50 feet with a 15-foot arc chalked in from home plate as a "foul ball zone".

## 4.1.3 Equipment:

*a.* The Home Team shall provide 3 new game balls for each game. New game balls are provided by the League at the start of the season. Softer core, lightweight baseballs shall be used for the T-Ball Divisions.
b. All players shall wear protective headgear with face guard when on the field.
c. For safety reasons, it is recommended that all male players wear protective cups during practices and games.

## 4.1.4 Game:

a. **T-Ball 1&2** games shall consist of either 2 innings or a time limit of 1 hour, at the teams' discretion.
b. All players will bat each inning, without regard to the number of outs.
c. There are no outs and score is not kept.
d. Each batter will advance to first after a fair ball hit. Base runners will advance one base after a fair ball is hit. The last batter of the inning will hit a "home run" and all base runners will continue to advance bases until they reach home base.
e. Defensive coaching is permitted and ENCOURAGED. Parents and coaches are permitted on the field for defense. Defensive players should spread out around the field. It is encouraged that players play different positions throughout the game. No player shall stand closer than 25 feet from home plate for safety reasons.
f. Teams are encouraged to teach their players to field and throw to first or other appropriate bases.

## 4.1.5 Pitchers:

a. For T-Ball 1, **NO** pitching to the batters. All batters will hit off a tee.
b. For T-Ball 2, the team may choose to pitch to the batter, or the batter may hit off the tee.
   1) The designated Coach Pitcher will be from the offensive team and:
      1) May NOT be a player. Must be a coach or parent.
      2) Shall **underhand** pitch from a minimum pitching distance of at least 22 feet.
      3) The batter shall receive a **maximum of 2 pitches**. The ball will be placed on the TEE if the batter fails to hit a fair ball on the 2nd pitch.
      4) **It is hereby understood that the designated coach pitcher is pitching at his or her own risk and the Sansei League shall not be responsible or liable for any injuries or accidental damage that should occur while the pitcher is in the game.**
**c.** For inter-division games between T-Ball 1 and T-Ball 2, pitching allowed for either team if **both** teams agree to allow pitching. Same rules apply to the Coach Pitcher as listed above.

## 4.1.7 Batters

a. All players on the roster will bat each inning.
b. Batters **CANNOT** strike out.

## 4.1.8 Base runner

g. There shall be **NO STEALING** of any bases.
h. Base runners **MAY NOT LEAVE THE BASE** (lead off) until the ball is **HIT** by the batter.

## 4.1.9 Umpires

No Umpires.