

2017 Carlyle T-Ball Game Rules
SHETLAND: Boys (5 & 6 years old) and Girls (5, 6 & 7 years old)



1. Bases will be set at 50 feet
2. The pitching area will be at approximately 30 feet
 - Coaches will be allowed to move forward or backward depending on hitter ability
3. All T-Ball games will be for 5 innings or one hour, whichever comes first
4. All players present will be listed in the batting order and will play in the field simultaneously
5. **6 batters will bat every inning**
 - **Base runners will be removed if out, however, 6 batters will bat regardless**
6. **A batter will receive 5 pitches to swing, if the batter doesn't hit the ball on the 5th pitch, they will be offered one swing with the tee**
7. The pitcher's spot and catcher's spot are optional if a team is short players
 - League umpires can be used to pitch or catch if agreeable with both coaches
8. Coaches are allowed on the playing field while their team is on defense to remind players of game situations, verbally assist, etc.
9. Coaches may remove a fielder if it is felt that a player may be in danger due to lack of paying attention or if the player is continually bothering other fielders
10. Any thrown ball that goes into foul territory uncaught will result in a dead ball call. All runners will stay on the base they last crossed
11. A soft version of a baseball will be used in this league
12. Batting helmets must be worn by the batter and all baserunners at all times
13. All players must wear ball caps while they are in the field
14. Games may be shortened due to extreme weather such as heat
 - Coaches can make this decision mutually or it can be the sole decision of the umpire
15. Coaches are not to question the calls made by umpires. Please encourage good sportsmanship from all players, coaches and fans. If problems arise with umpires, please contact the Park Director to work out any issues
16. **Cancellations will be made by the Parks Department only**
 - Coaches will be notified immediately if a game is cancelled and they will be expected to pass the information on to the parents of their players
17. All games will be held at the Carlyle Grade School diamonds & NO score will be kept