

Newberg Cal Ripken Baseball

2017 T-Ball Rules

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Note: The Newberg Cal-Ripken league will follow the guidelines set in the 2017 Cal-Ripken rule book unless a change is specifically mentioned below.

Safety Rules:

- Coaches may be stationed in the field to provide instruction.
- Batting helmets must be worn by the batter, on-deck batter, and base runners.
- Players waiting to hit should remain in the dugout and behind the fenced area until it is the player's turn to be on-deck.

General Rules:

- No official score is kept.
- All rostered players present for the game shall bat in order and play in the field.
 - Coaches can decide to bat half the line-up and then switch
- An inning ends when everyone on the bench has hit (either ½ the lineup or full).
- Each game will be a 1-hour time limit (3-4 innings).
- No stealing or leading off.
- Coaches should rotate players to new positions each inning.

Hitting Rules:

- All hitters will hit the ball from a batting tee. The tee should be adjusted to such a height that the batter would be able to swing level.
- There is no strikeouts, walks, or bunting.
- If a batter hits the batting tee and the ball falls to the ground, it is a foul ball.
 - The ball must travel 5 feet from the tee in fair territory.
- A batter stays at bat until hitting safely.
- On a batted ball, the batter and other base runners can advance only one base.
 - Coaches decide if players will run bases even when put out.
- On-deck batters and dugouts should be supervised by a designated coach or parent.
- The last batter in the inning should circle the bases until everyone “scores.”

Fielding Rules:

- Players in the catcher position must wear catcher's gear.