



OBGC T-Ball Coaching Guidelines

- You are responsible for the equipment issued to you. Please take care of the equipment and return it in good condition when the season is over. Your equipment includes: (1) large bag, (1) set of bases, (1) bat, (10) balls and (1) t-ball stand.
- The players are required to bring a glove. If they bring a bat, make sure the bat is no longer than 26 inches. Bats longer than 26 inches are too heavy and can cause problems.
- Team T-shirts and hats will be provided prior to the first game
- At the first practice let the parents know what you expect of them. For example, getting the kids to practice and games on time, picking them up on time, reminding them t-ball is fun, etc. As a coach you are responsible for the players at practices and games until a parent or guardian picks them up. However, you are not a babysitter.
- It is a good idea to involve the parents at the games to help on the field and to assist with the batting order and maintaining order on the team bench
- Feel free to come up with your own team name, unless you have a sponsor.
- The kids like drinks and snacks after games and practices. The head coach should bring drinks and snacks to the first practice and then ask a parent to coordinate with the other parents to bring snacks and drinks subsequently.
- All players will receive a trophy at the end of the season. You are encouraged to have a small party or ceremony after the last game thanking the parents and saying a few nice words to each player.
- Contact other team coaches and try to work out a plan, should any scheduling conflicts arise. In the event of rain, try to reach the other coach and make a mutual decision. Rainouts will not be rescheduled.
- If lightening is seen or heard, seek shelter for 20 minutes before resuming play. Same rule swimming pools use.
- Coaches should setup a team telephone tree to inform families of cancelled games.
- All players must be on the roster and registered with OBGC to participate. NO EXCEPTIONS.