

# Lakeview Playground New Orleans

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## T-Ball League Rules – Summer 2026

1. Every player bats and plays in the field.
2. The ball is hit off a tee.
3. The batter may have as many swings as they need to hit the ball.
4. Bases are placed 27 feet apart.
5. Games last two innings.
6. Each team bats through their full batting order each inning. An inning ends when all players have batted once.
7. Score is not kept.
8. Outs are not recorded.
  - a. Defensive players are encouraged to make plays, but offensive players will be allowed to run the bases even if a play would traditionally result in an out.
9. Before the ball is hit in play, all defensive players must be positioned behind the base paths (imaginary lines between first and second base and between second and third base). No defensive player may cross a base path before the ball is hit in play.
  - a. Defensive players do not need to be placed in traditional positions.
  - b. Defensive players may be placed in traditional infield positions (1B, 2B, SS, and 3B) and in other non-traditional infield positions, but must begin play behind the base paths. No defensive player shall be placed at pitcher or catcher.
  - c. Defensive players may be positioned anywhere in the outfield.
10. Coaches and parents are encouraged to be on the field to assist and direct offensive and defensive players. A coach or parent should also assist in the dugout when a team is on offense.
11. Offensive players must wear helmets when batting and running the bases. Helmets should not be removed until the player returns to the dugout.
12. On deck batters must remain in the dugout. The batter is the only player who should hold a bat on the field of play.
13. Game balls will be marked “t-ball” or “tee ball”, 9”-9.5”, with a sponge or rubber center.
14. No bat shall be used with a barrel greater than 2 ¼”, unless it is marked “t-ball”, “tee ball”, or “USA Baseball.” One piece wood bats are also permitted. Bats marked “USSSA Baseball” are not allowed.