

# TNT BALLPARK PARK RULES

## General Rules for All Age Groups

### Conduct

The head coach or acting head coach of each team is responsible for assistant coaches, players, and spectators' conduct. Each Head coach or acting head coach will ensure there are no misconduct, unsportsmanlike conduct, Profanity and or unruliness towards opposing players, umpires, spectators or board members. If any player, coach, or fan are ejected for any reason they will not be allowed for the next game (league or tournament) with in TNT Ballpark.

### Penalty

1. Warning: the umpire shall warn the Head Coach of the violation. The umpire has the authority to skip directly to the consequence of the second or third occurrence if they feel it is necessary.
2. The violator(s) and Head Coach shall be removed from the park if the violation is not corrected.
3. If the problem still exists the umpire shall pronounce the game over with the offending team losing by forfeit.
4. If a head coach is ejected twice in a season they may not be allowed to come back for the remainder of the season.

Note: No protests allowed, as this is considered a judgment call.

Spectators and players need to be told that they can and will be ejected from a game, or meeting because of poor sportsmanship, misconduct, profanity, and/ or unruliness. If a player is ejected from a game, she will be suspended for her next game also.

### Alcoholic Beverages:

TNT Ballpark will not permit any alcoholic beverages or intoxicated persons in the ballpark during games. Spectators and players need to be warned that they can and will be ejected from the park for violation of this rule.

### Tobacco Products:

No game participants (Including coaches) may use tobacco products in the dugouts or field of play.

### Protests:

Protests may be allowed for violations of playing rules and player participation rules only. The protest will be handled on the field for playing rules. Once the Head Coach has talked to the umpire and said they would like to protest the game for the following reason the umpire will notify the UIC or TNT Director at the field and at that time the coach will be required to pay the \$100 protest fee.

### Player Eligibility:

Softball follows USSSA rules

Baseball uses USSSA and OK Kids rules.

Please see each tournament as to eligibility rules.

### Rosters:

League and tournaments full team roster with player name, number and birthdate must be turned in before first game.

### General Game Information:

Home and visiting teams shall provide a scorekeeper. Home team will be the official scorekeeper. The head coach must exchange batting orders prior to the beginning of each game. Either team scorekeeper may inspect the official score record of the game at any time during a game.

Teams will provide their own balls

If a team fails to appear or refuses to play within fifteen (15) minutes of the scheduled starting time.

A team must have at least seven (7) players to start a game. Two (2) automatic outs will be recorded when the 8th and 9th position immediately upon arrival if the batting order has not been completed. All girls will be placed in the line-up or the scorebook and all players will bat around in one order. If a girl should arrive late, her name will be placed at the bottom of the line-up.

In T-ball and 8U all players may be freely substituted with the entire roster batting in one order.

Substitute runners for injured players only. The player who was the last offensive out will be the substitute runner. If no outs have occurred, the substitute will be the last girl in the batting order.

Ten defensive players are allowed in T-ball & 8U.

Nine defensive players are allowed in 10U- 18U.

T-ball bats are acceptable for 8U games.

USSSA stamped bats can be used for all games

In T-ball one defensive coach may be within the playing field but must stay in the outfield area (Behind the bases) while your team is playing defense. Three offensive coaches (one at 1st and 3rd base and one at the plate) may be on the field while your team is batting.

All ages may bat their lineup if the team wishes. If they do not bat the lineup USSSA rules will apply to batting lineups and substitutions for 10U – 18U.

USSSA run rules will apply. (12 after 3, 10 after 4 and 8 after 5)

Batters may not throw the bat. The umpire shall give one team warning per game. On the second and all subsequent occurrences in the games, the umpire will call the batter out.

If a game is tied at the end of regulation play, the game is over and each team will receive ½ a win and ½ a loss in league play and pool play. ITB will take place in tournament bracket play.

Protective headgear must be worn by the batter and all base runners. Helmets must have a chin strap and a face mask.