

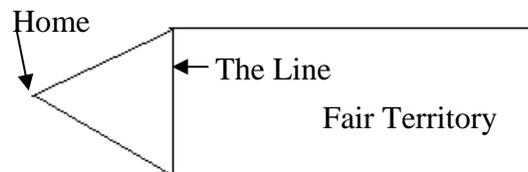
OVER THE LINE® TOURNAMENT  
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Over The Line® is a bat and ball sport, related to baseball and softball. It has a batter, pitcher and fielders, but only requires 3 people per team. It uses a softball bat and rubber softball. No gloves are allowed except in women's games, however, golf gloves may be used when batting.

“Over The Line®” is a registered trademark of the Old Mission Beach Athletic Club (OMBAC®) in San Diego, California, which organizes an annual tournament which draws 1200 teams from around the world. Attendance tops 60,000 people over two weekends.

An over the line court is made up of a triangle and an open ended rectangle marked by chalk lines. The base (“The Line”) of the triangle is 55 feet long, and the distance from the line to the opposite point (“Home”) is also 55 feet. The rectangle is composed of two parallel foul lines that extend out indefinitely away from home starting from the two ends of The Line and at a right angle to The Line. The area between the chalk lines and over The Line is fair territory. Everything other than the triangle and fair territory is foul territory.

Unlike in softball, the batter and pitcher are on the same team. The batter stands at Home. The pitcher stands anywhere in front of The Line, but not in the triangle. Fielders (the other team) stand behind The Line, in fair territory. The objective for the batter is get a hit which is to hit the ball into fair territory without a fielder catching it. A hit may also be made when the fielder who catches the ball crosses over the line (or the line's extension) or drops the ball in either fair or foul territory. No bases are physically run.



An out is made if (a) the ball is hit into your triangle, (b) a batter gets a strike (swings and completely misses), (c) the defenders catch the ball without crossing over The Line or its extensions, (d) a batter has two fouls (a foul is a ball that lands in the foul territory, a pitch taken at or a balk), (e) a player bats out of order or (f) either the pitcher or batter touch but do not catch a struck ball (if the pitcher or batter catch it there is not pitch). Three outs and the half inning is over.

The scoring system is as follows: (a) The third hit in an inning scores one run and each subsequent hit scores another run and (b) A home run (a ball that lands past the Fielder furthest from The Line, not over, just needs to be past) without being touched by a Fielder scores a run and the unscored hits that preceded it. The hits are then reset to zero.