



Technical regulations

Official European BB5 Competitions

This regulation covers the organization of official Baseball5 competitions from the calendar of WBSC Europe (Championships for national teams and Cups for club teams).

Refer to the Official WBSC Baseball5 Rulebook of the current year to be found on WBSC website (<https://www.wbsc.org/en/disciplines/baseball5>).

Team:

1. Each team consists of a maximum of 8 players and a maximum of 4 staff members including coaches.
2. The rosters need to be gender balanced:
 - a. Maximum 4 female players,
 - b. Maximum 4 male players.
3. Minimum age requirements for players:
 - U17 – 13 years.
 - Senior – 15 years.
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Uniforms:

1. All players should wear the same uniform, consisting of a shirt (t-shirt or polo), shorts, and socks. Undershirts are allowed in same style and color. Caps or visors are allowed in same style and color.
2. Each player's shirt should bear a unique number with a number which can be freely chosen from 0 to 99.

Participating team responsibilities:

1. To cover all expenses of travel, accommodation, meals, and medical insurance connected to participation in the BB5 official competition.
2. To cover the transportation of one certified umpire from their home country to the location of the competition. If an umpire is not provided a fee of 500 euros must be paid to WBSC Europe.
3. To have at least one representative at the technical meeting who should present to the commissioner/s all necessary documents.
4. To organize and cover local transportation from their arrival to their departure.

Host responsibilities:

1. To provide a minimum of two full-size fields for baseball5 (refer to the Official WBSC Baseball5 Rulebook of the current year to be found on WBSC website). One field can also suffice should you have up to 8-teams and at least 3 days of competition.
2. The facility/venue should guarantee a temperature of at least 18 degrees Celsius.
3. To provide additional field(s), upon request from WBSC Europe, depending on the number of participating teams.
4. If the organizer cannot provide a suitable surface for the fields, they should cover the incoming transportation for the WBSC field(s). After the event, the organizer



- should restore the original packing of the field(s) and ship them back according to WBSC Europe instructions. Return shipping costs will be covered by the organizer.
5. To organize and cover accommodation, meals, and local transportation of all WBSC Europe Officials (one WBSC Europe EB member, Technical Commissioner on a number to be defined by the number of fields, umpires, and media officer). The responsibility starts one day before the first day of the competition and ends on the first day after the last game of the competition. Double rooms in a minimum 3-star hotel to be provided for the field umpires, single rooms for technical commissioner(s), board member, and media officer. Accommodation of field umpires from the opposite sex in a double room is not allowed.
 6. To provide the presence of a qualified first aid medical specialist for every competition day, 30 minutes before the first game until the end of the last game. If the fields are located in different venues, the organizer should provide at least one qualified first aid medical specialist per venue.
 7. To run the competition with live scoring and live stream of all games.
 8. To provide trophies for all participating teams.
 9. Drinkable water shall be available for the Officials and Teams at the field(s).
 - a. It is not required that fresh drinking water for Officials at the fields be provided in one-use bottles. Alternative supply includes water-cooler or drum, and the use of recyclable cups or personal water-bottles.

WBSC Europe responsibilities:

1. To cover travel expenses of the WBSC Europe EB member, Technical Commissioner(s), and extra umpires.
2. To cover the balls, medals, lineup cards, and present for the host.
3. To prepare and provide a game schedule for the competition.

Procedures:

1. All participating teams must fill in the official Entry Form 60 days before the start of the competitions to have the right to participate in the BB5 competition. The entry form must be sent to WBSC Europe email address indicated in the entry form.
2. All participating teams must pay the entry fee 45 days before the start of the competition.
3. All participating teams must upload their Preliminary Team Roster (PTR) 21 days before the start of the competitions and the Final Team Roster (FTR) 1 day before the TC meeting.
4. All participating teams must fill in and present to the technical meeting the official AFFIDAVIT INSURANCE FORM to have the right to participate in the BB5 competition.
5. The host must provide a guarantee to be able to host the BB5 Championship or Cup as follows:
 - Pay a guarantee fee (deposit) of 1250 Euros
 - or
 - Provide a Letter of Guarantee
6. All participating teams must provide information on arrival and departure times.

All matters not stipulated in these regulations will be settled according to the Official WBSC Baseball5 Rulebook.