



SPECIFIC COMPETITIONS REGULATIONS

SPECIAL RULES FOR YOUTH COMPETITIONS

PARTICIPATION

01.01. Each Affiliated Federation can inscribe one team. Exception is EMRYT (SCRY 03), where is no limit of number of the teams from each Affiliated Federation.

SPECIFIC FOR FASTPITCH YOUTH COMPETITIONS

02.01. GAMEBALLS

02.01.01. In U16 Competition the 12 inch game ball shall be in use.

02.01.02. In U13 Competition the 11 inch game ball shall be in use.

02.02. PITCHING DISTANCE

02.02.01. In U16 Competition the pitching distance shall be 12,19 m (female) and 13,11 m (male).

02.02.02. In U13 Competition the pitching distance shall be 10,67 m.

02.03. DURATION OF GAMES

02.03.01. In U16 Competition games shall be played in SIX (6) innings and shall not exceed TWO (2) hours.

02.03.02. In U13 Competition games shall be played in FIVE (5) innings and shall not exceed TWO (2) hours.

02.03.03. If, before one hour and forty-five minutes of play, the said number of innings is complete (which includes the home team being ahead at the beginning of, or drawing ahead during, the bottom of the last inning), with a result other than a draw, the game shall be regulation.

02.03.04. If the said number of innings is not complete at one hour and forty-five minutes, the Plate umpire shall call 'No New Inning'. If the home team is at bat and is already ahead, the game is complete. If not, the inning in progress will then be played to completion or until the home team draws ahead. If the inning in progress ends in a draw, extra inning(s) will be played until a result other than a draw is obtained.

02.03.05. All extra innings will be played under 'tie-break' rules.

02.03.06. The time limit of two hours does not apply for the Page System Games (Semi-Finals and Finals).

02.04. PROVISIONS FOR PITCHERS

02.04.01. There is no specific provision for Pitchers in U16 Competition.

02.04.02. In U13 Competition Pitchers are subject to the following limitations: No more than FOUR (4) innings in a Game; No more than SIX (6) innings in a day; No more than NINE (9) innings in TWO (2) consecutive days. The sanction for not respecting these limitations is an automatic game loss (5-0) for the offending Team. The Official Scorekeepers will be in charge of recording and controlling the innings accounted to each Pitcher under the responsibility of the Technical Committee.

An inning is accounted to a Pitcher as soon as the Player appears in an inning in the Pitcher's position.

02.05. PROTECTION OF UNDERAGE PLAYERS

02.05.01. The duly signed and dated Competition Entry Form for each Team with underage players shall have the following declaration:

02.05.01.01. Each Player is in compliance with ESF Competitions Regulations regarding age and nationality.

02.05.01.02. Each Player has received full, unconditional written authorisation by his/her Parent(s) or Legal Representative or Guardian to participate to the Competition. The Team's Management has been invested with complete legal authority to handle all matters arising concerning each Player during the Competition. This authorisation must be shown on request if necessary to the TC.

02.05.01.03. Each Player conforms to the Rules of our National Federation with respect to qualification and participation in this Competition.

02.05.01.04. Each Player is medically able to participate in this Competition. Any condition has been duly notified to the Team's Management which shall keep the ESF Chief Technical Commissioner fully informed of any such matter.

02.05.01.05. We assume full and complete responsibility for any matter arising directly or indirectly from any misrepresentation of any fact in this Affidavit and agree to hold the ESF, the ESF Chief Technical Commissioner and any other party involved with the Competition harmless in connection with any matter arising from this Affidavit.

MASSIMO ROMEO YOUTH TROPHY (EMRYT)

Named for the founder of the Minime Girls Competition.

03.01. All Affiliated Federations may enter teams. Teams may be formed as a national team, club team or regional team. There is no limit to the number of participant teams in the EMRYT or from any Affiliated Federation. Players must be between 10 and 13 years old (CR 07.14 – 07.16). There is no restriction on players with respect to nationality or residence. To be eligible for the EMRYT, teams must complete the relevant. Entry Form and pay the Entry Fee of based on the Financial Appendix and required by CR 03 (Entries for Competitions).

03.01.01. There must always be a majority of female players on the field, so playing teams may consist of up to 4 boys of the appropriate age.

03.01.02. Only female players may pitch. The ball used will be the 11-inch soft ball, unless BOTH teams request use of the ISF standard 11-inch ball.

03.02. The EMRYT shall be played each year during summer school holidays. Dates are proposed by the candidate organizers and will be published by the ESF as soon as possible. The tournament will last four (4) to five (5) days, starting on a Tuesday/Wednesday and ending on a Saturday. The technical meeting will take place the evening before the start of play.

03.03. The organizer will be appointed according to requirements in the Competition Regulations. Locations with an option of inexpensive, affordable accommodation (including the availability of hostels and tents) are preferred.

03.04. The format depends upon number of participating teams: see 2. formats. Draws (ties) are allowed in pool games and no games will go into extra innings. Games are limited to no more than five (5) innings and shall not exceed two (2) hours in length. If five innings have not been completed after one hour and thirty minutes, no new inning may start and the inning in progress will be completed. The number of innings that any one player can pitch in a game and in a day are governed by SCRY 02.04.02.

03.05. The players participating to the EMRYT are not subject to a player's licence. The Application Form for Licences is not requested for this tournament. At the ID control in the tournament the team shall present its Official Competition Roster and Passport or ID cards of all players listed in this roster.

03.06. In exceptional cases and as approved by the Executive Council, there may be only three teams.

03.07. Responsibilities and finance:

03.07.01. Participant teams are responsible for their own accommodation, meals and transportation to and from the venue and during the competition. Extra-contribution to the organizer is not due for this tournament. Upon request of participant teams, the organizer shall provide contact names and special rates for local transportation companies.

03.07.02. The organizer is responsible for organizing and paying for the accommodation, meals and transportation for umpires and ESF officials to and from the venue and during the competition.

03.07.03. The ESF is responsible for game balls, line up cards and other items.

03.08. Three ESF officials shall attend the tournament: one member of the Executive Council; one Technical Commissioner; and one Umpire in Chief. Umpires are selected by the organizer, not by the ESF; as such, there is no relationship between an Affiliated Federation and the umpires selected for and working this tournament. Pool games shall be umpired with the 2-man system. Play-off games shall be umpired with the 3-man system.

03.09. Trophies and medals are provided as per TR 10.02, 10.04 and 10.07.