



**ASD Baseball Club
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***Rules of the 37th International Youth Tournament
“Ermes Fontana” Trophy
“Mattia Bertoni” Trophy
31 July/1-2-3-4 August 2024***

1) PARTICIPATION METHOD

Only the clubs invited by the Organizing Committee, which is headed by the Baseball Club SALA BAGANZA, will be able to participate in the Tournament.

Athletes of Italian nationality must be registered with FIBS for the current year. The athletes who make up the foreign teams must be registered with the respective National Federation for the current year.

The Tournament is reserved for the categories MINIBASEBALL, UNDER12 BASEBALL, UNDER15 SOFTBALL, UNDER15 BASEBALL

- In the MINIBASEBALL category, young people born in 2015-2016-2017-2018 will be able to play;
- In the UNDER12 BASEBALL category, young people born in 2012-2013-2014-2015 will be able to play;
- In the UNDER15 SOFTBALL category, young people born in 2009-2010-2011-2012 will be able to play;
- In the UNDER15 BASEBALL category, young people born in 2009-2010-2011-2012 will be able to play;

In any case, each individual athlete will be able to play in only one category. Minibaseball: those born in 2015 must not have been included in the Under12 Baseball or Under12 Softball rosters that will participate in the 2024 Federal championships.

In the MINIBASEBALL Category, mixed teams (male and female) will also be able to play without limitations.

In the UNDER12 BASEBALL Category, mixed teams (male and female) will be able to play with a maximum of 4 athletes lined up on the pitch.

Only female athletes will be able to play in the UNDER15 SOFTBALL Category.

In the UNDER15 BASEBALL Category, mixed teams (male and female) will be able to play with a maximum of 4 athletes lined up on the pitch.

The participating teams will have to submit the list of athletes, divided by category; said list cannot be changed for the entire duration of the Tournament.

Before the start of the competitions, the Organizing Committee will check that the age limits for each individual Category are respected, for which the athletes must be provided with an identification document proving their age.



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All the teams participating in the Tournament, before the start of the matches, will have to deposit 12 baseballs or softballs (depending on the category in which they participate) with the Organizing Committee, which will directly provide the balls necessary for the carrying out of the matches .

2) PROCEDURE OF THE COMPETITIONS

The rules of the game are those provided for by the FIBS "Technical Regulations" for the youth categories: here are some variations and specifications.

- a) Duration
 - o MINIBASEBALL: 5 innings or 75 minutes per complete inning.
 - o U12 BASEBALL: 6 innings or 75 minutes per full inning.
 - o U15 SOFTBALL: 6 innings or 75 minutes per full inning.
 - o U15 BASEBALL: 6 innings or 75 minutes per full inning.
- b) In the attacking phase of each inning no more than 6 runs may be scored, in all categories. Once the 6th run is scored, the attacking phase of the inning ends immediately.
- c) Semifinals must end with a complete inning.**
- d) In the final matches from 11th-12th to 3rd-4th place, if in the last inning the home team is trailing by more than 6 points and cannot therefore take the lead (as provided for in point B), the race will be considered finished for organizational reasons.
- e) In the MINIBASEBALL category the final for 1st-2nd place will be played with a limit of 5 innings or with a maximum duration of 90 minutes, without completing the inning if the home team is ahead.
- f) In the U12 BASEBALL and U15 SOFTBALL categories the final for 1st-2nd place will be played with a limit of 6 innings or with a maximum duration of 120 minutes without completing the inning if the home team is ahead.
- g) In the U15 BASEBALL Category the final for 1st-2nd place will be played with a limit of 7 innings or with a maximum duration of 120 minutes without completing the inning if the home team is ahead.
- h) The team that does not appear on the pitch within 10 minutes of the official start time of the match, without valid reason, will be considered the loser with a score of 10 to 0 for all categories.
- i) Baseball: once a player has been replaced and leaves the field, he cannot be put back into play during the same game (with the exception of the MINIBASEBALL Category).
- j) Softball: a starting player, once he has been replaced and leaves the field, can be brought back into play during the same game. A non-starting player, once put on the pitch and replaced, cannot be put back on the pitch in the same match. The use of DP and FLEX is permitted.
- k) The substitution of a player must be communicated to the Official Scorer.
- l) For the MINIBASEBALL, U12 BASEBALL and U15 SOFTBALL Categories it is strictly prohibited to use shoes with spikes or metal cleats.
- m) U12 Baseball and U15 Baseball use 9" balls. U15 Softball uses 12" balls. Minibaseball uses Incrediball type balls.



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- n) Draws are allowed in all categories and in all qualifying matches. In the Semi-final and Final matches, 1st/2nd place, in the event of a tie, there will be a tie-break. In all other finals, in the event of a tie, the following will be considered the winner:
- o the team that put the most runners on 3rd base, 2nd base, 1st base, depending on whether the tie persists.
 - o In the event of a further tie, a draw will take place.
- o) It is mandatory to wear a helmet with protection of both ears, not only for the batsman and all runners, but also for non-adult coaches and the batsman waiting for his turn. Helmets without ear protection, or with only one ear protection, are accepted only for adult coaches/coaches.

3) PITCHERS AND RECEIVERS

In the MINIBASEBALL Category the throws will be made by the Manager/Coach of the attacking team.

In the U12 BASEBALL Category a pitcher, throughout the entire Tournament, will be able to pitch a maximum of 9 innings in total, with a maximum of 3 innings per day. It will be considered a pitched catch even if the pitcher throws only one pitch to the batter.

In the U15 SOFTBALL Category a pitcher, throughout the entire Tournament, will be able to pitch a maximum of 12 innings in total, with a maximum of 4 innings per day. It will be considered a pitched catch even if the pitcher throws only one pitch to the batter.

In the U15 BASEBALL Category a pitcher, throughout the entire Tournament, will be able to pitch a maximum of 10 innings in total, with a maximum of 4 innings per day. It will be considered a pitched catch even if the pitcher throws only one pitch to the batter.

In all categories, catchers have no innings limit. It is possible to swap pitcher and catcher in the same game.

In the event that a pitcher exceeds the daily and/or total innings in the Tournament, the pitcher's team will be awarded a forfeit defeat for the game (or games) in which the excess was performed with the same scores as in point H of section 2. The pitchers' statistics, for innings played outside the rules, will be considered good until the maximum number of pitches that can be thrown in the entire Tournament is reached.

BASEBALL: The Manager may, during the defense phase, ask for time to enter the field and confer with the pitcher only once per inning, for each pitcher fielded in that inning. At the second time in the same innings on the same pitcher, the pitcher must be removed as pitcher, but may be fielded in another position.

SOFTBALL: The Defending Manager can only ask for time 3 times in the entire game to confer with the pitcher.

In the event of a tiebreaker, the Manager is granted only one opportunity to confer with the pitcher for each extra-inning. In the defense phase, the request for time to replace the pitcher is excluded from the count of visits. Exceeding the limits set above necessarily causes the removal of the launcher, who may be deployed in another position.



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4) HOME TEAMS

For the qualifying and semi-final matches, the first team mentioned in the scheduled matches is considered the home team. In all final matches the home team will be defined by draw. The home team will occupy the 1st base dug-out.

5) DETERMINATION OF THE RANKING

- a) In the qualifying phase, if, after the time established by these Regulations, the teams find themselves tied for the purposes of the ranking, 1 point will be assigned to each team (2 points to the winning team, 0 points to the losing team).
- b) At the end of the qualifying phase, if two or more teams from the same group are tied on points, the ranking will be determined based on:
 1. the team that has won the greatest number of direct clashes will have the advantage
 2. in the event of a further tie, the team that has conceded the fewest points in all the matches played will have the advantage
 3. in the event of a further tie, the team that scored the highest number of points in all the matches played will have the advantage
 4. in the event of a further tie, the ranking will be determined based on the count of the men remaining in 3rd base, 2nd base and 1st base considering all the matches of the qualifying phase.
 5. in the event of a further tie, a draw will take place.

6) REFEREES

All matches will be directed by federal referees. If the official match judges do not show up on the field at the time set for the start of the match, the Organizing Committee will directly arrange for qualified personnel. Every decision and/or judgment of the referee is final: the referees have full control of the match. No technical protest is allowed. Only the violation of the rules regarding the throwers gives the right to win the match by forfeit.

7) PEOPLE ADMITTED TO THE FIELD

Only the following people are authorized to enter the field:

- accompanying managers
- managers/coaches (mandatory in uniform)
- the players of the team
- the Bat Boy



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If one of the people admitted to the field is expelled for any reason following a referee's decision, they will automatically not be able to appear on the field in the immediately following match that directly concerns them. Further penalties may be taken and communicated by the Tournament GUS.

8) PHOTOGRAPHERS

Only photographers with a Tournament identification PASS are allowed on the pitch. Team photographers will only be allowed inside the dugout.

9) STATISTICS

During the Tournament, it will only be possible to view the statistics of your team. The request must be made by a coach or team manager.

10) SUSPENSION DUE TO FORCE MAJEURE

In the event of suspension due to rain or other causes, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to take the appropriate measures at the time the event occurs.

11) RESPONSIBILITY

The Organizing Committee declines any responsibility deriving from any accidents that occur before, during and after the Tournament.

12) AMENDMENTS AND INTERPRETATIONS OF THE REGULATION

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to make changes to these Regulations if this becomes necessary due to causes of force majeure. The Organizing Committee, in the person of the President or his substitute, reserves the exclusive interpretation of these Regulations should any disputes arise in this regard.



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13) MINIBASEBALL

Mattia Bertoni Trophy

Equipment

- a) Bases anchored to the ground will be used.
- b) The mallets used will be made of rubber or plastic.
- c) The balls used will be Incrediballs.
- d) Batters and runners must wear protective helmets.
- e) The catcher must wear a mask and bib.

Special Technical Rules

- a) The batting lineup must include all athletes present.
- b) Exchanges of players between the teams may be carried out if one of the two does not have a sufficient number of athletes to field. The team that shows up on the field with fewer than 8 players will be awarded a game that has lost 10-0, with the obligation, however, to play the match.
- c) In defense the 9 regular roles will be covered, with the possibility of fielding a maximum of 4 players on the outside (total max 10 athletes on the pitch).
- d) The role of the pitcher will be covered, in practice, by one of the coaches of the attacking team, supported, for the defense, by a player from the opposing team.
- e) Each player will only be able to play 1 inning per game in the same internal role (roles: 1-2-3-4-5-6): otherwise the opposing team will play the attack but will have the automatic right to 6 points (which are not will be added to any other points scored in the same attack). The protest must take place during the same shoot.
- f) The pitcher's (athlete's) plate must be at least 10 meters from home plate. The coach/pitcher will be able to throw from at least 7 meters from home plate.
- g) The batter, upon reaching the 5th strike (foul ball=no strike), will be given the opportunity to bat by placing a tee ball.
- h) Ball lost by the receiver, no running. He takes over one base at a time. If the serve "in flight" exceeds the line placed at 25 meters it will be considered double at the final discretion of the Referee. If the serve "in flight" goes beyond the line placed at 35 meters it will be considered a home run at the final discretion of the Umpire.
- i) The change of sides takes place with: 3 eliminated, or when the attacking team has scored 6 points.
- j) Clubs are advised to use two coaches on the pitch in the defense phase: one on the diamond and the other with the wingers.



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14) CLOSING CEREMONY

Access to the football field where the closing and awards ceremony is held is reserved only for:

- accompanying managers with passes
- managers/coaches with passes
- the players of the team equipped with passes
- the Bat Boy with a pass
- photo, press or guest PASS holders.

It will be forbidden to bring in food and drinks.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

BEST BATTER

Categories U12 Baseball, U15 Baseball, U15 Softball

Athletes with a minimum of 9 (nine) rounds at bat will be considered.

BEST PITCHER

Categories U12 Baseball, U15 Softball

Athletes with a minimum of 7 (seven) shots thrown will be considered.

U15 Baseball category

Athletes with a minimum of 8 (eight) shots thrown will be considered.

SYMPATHY AWARD

Categories Minibaseball, U12 Baseball, U15 Baseball, U15 Softball

Assigned by the Referees and the Organizing Committee.

MVP MATTIA BERTONI

U15 Baseball category

To the best player in the U15 Baseball Category. Awarded by the Organizing Committee and Scorer.



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AWARDING OF THE ERMES FONTANA TROPHY

It is reserved for the Under12 and Under15 Baseball categories. The “Ermes Fontana” Trophy is definitively awarded to the winning team 3 (three) times, even non-consecutively, of the Sala Baganza International Youth Tournament. The “Ermes Fontana” Trophy is provisionally awarded to the winning team of each individual edition of the Tournament. Said team undertakes to return it, according to the terms and methods established by the Organizing Committee in order to allow it to be put up for grabs again in subsequent editions of the Tournament, until definitive assignment. The teams invited by the Tournament Organizing Committee and, by right, unless voluntary renunciation/failure to accept the invitation, the teams holding the Trophy itself participate in the awarding of the “Ermes Fontana” Trophy. Renunciation entails the forfeiture of all rights.

AWARDING OF THE MATTIA BERTONI TROPHY

It is reserved for the Minibaseball category. The “Mattia Bertoni” Trophy is definitively awarded to the team that wins 3 (three) times, even non-consecutively, of the Sala Baganza International Youth Tournament in the Minibaseball category. The “Mattia Bertoni” Trophy is provisionally awarded to the winning team of each individual edition of the Tournament. Said team undertakes to return it, according to the terms and methods established by the Organizing Committee in order to allow it to be put up for grabs again in subsequent editions of the Tournament, until definitive assignment. The teams invited by the Organizing Committee of the Tournament participate in the awarding of the “Mattia Bertoni” Trophy and, by right, unless voluntary renunciation/failure to accept the invitation, the teams holding the Trophy itself. Renunciation entails the forfeiture of all rights.

BREAKFAST LUNCH DINNER

BREAKFAST: from 06.30 to 09.00 reserved only for guest teams

LUNCH: see meal calendar DINNER: see meal calendar

GOLD BRACELET: holders of the gold colored bracelet will be entitled to all meals from Wednesday evening dinner to Sunday evening dinner. The bracelet must be shown to the operator at the end of the self-service when picking up the meal.

BLUE BRACELET: holders of the blue bracelet to be able to take advantage of the meals must purchase the meal voucher at the Management and hand it over to the operator at the self-service end when picking up the meal.

Lunch: reservation by 10.00 am on the same day

Dinner: reservation by 4.00 pm on the same day.

Each team must strictly follow the communicated meal calendar. The team will have to eat together, one adult will open the line and another will close it. Delays for example "fault" to the swimming pool are not permitted. Anyone arriving late to eat will have to pay and take advantage of the paid menu.

Sunday evening dinner is not included in the meal calendar, for which it will be possible to go to dinner whenever you want (always between 6.30pm and 8pm).

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PLAYGROUNDS

SALA BAGANZA Address: Via Di Vittorio, 15 - Sala Baganza (Parma)

COURT 1 "MATTEO MUSSI" for U15 BASEBALL

COURT 2 "MATTIA BERTONI" for U12 BASEBALL

COURT 3 "MINIBASEBAL" for U15 SOFTBALL and MINIBASEBALL

COLLECCHIO Address: Via Montessori, 5/A - Collecchio (Parma)

COURT 1 "GIANNINO ZINELLI" for U15 BASEBALL

COURT 2 "SOFTBALL STADIUM" for U12 BASEBALL



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SHUTTLE BUS – COLLECCHIO

Bus Stop: Soccer field gate (near the showers).

THU 01/08/2024				
Departure H Departure	Squad Team	Field Ballpark	End of the race Match End	Indicative Departure Return Time H Indicative Return Departure
07.45	GROSSETO U12	COLLECCHIO	10.15	10.30
08.05	TIGRES U15	COLLECCHIO	11.45	10.50
08.30	STARANZANO U12	COLLECCHIO	11.45	12.00
08.50	SKATCH U15	COLLECCHIO	11.45	12.20
09.10	ROVIGO U15	COLLECCHIO	11.45	12.40
1.45pm	BATHROOM U12	COLLECCHIO	4.15pm	4.30pm
14.05	VERCELLI U12	COLLECCHIO	4.15pm	4.50pm
3.00pm	GROSSETO U15	COLLECCHIO	5.45pm	18.00
3.20pm	DRAGONS U15	COLLECCHIO	5.45pm	6.20pm
3.40pm	REBELS U12	COLLECCHIO	5.45pm	6.40pm
3.55pm	LIVORNO U12	COLLECCHIO	5.45pm	7.00pm

FRI 02/08/2024				
Departure H Departure	Squad Team	Field Ballpark	End of the race Match End	Indicative Departure Return Time H Indicative Return Departure
07.30	BEES U12	COLLECCHIO	10.15	10.30
07.50	SKATCH U15	COLLECCHIO	10.15	10.50
08.10	BATHROOM U15	COLLECCHIO	10.15	11.10
09.15	ALCMARIA U15	COLLECCHIO	11.45	12.00
09.40	TIGRES U15	COLLECCHIO	11.45	12.20
1.30pm	LIVORNO U12	COLLECCHIO	4.15pm	4.30pm
1.50pm	GROSSETO U15	COLLECCHIO	4.15pm	4.50pm
14.10	FUN & PLAY U15	COLLECCHIO	4.15pm	17.10
3.30pm	BOSTON U15	COLLECCHIO	5.45pm	18.00
3.50pm	FUN & PLAY U12	COLLECCHIO	5.45pm	6.20pm
3.30pm	BATHROOM U12	COLLECCHIO	5.45pm	Please use your own transport



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SAT 03/08/2024

Departure H Departure	Squad Team	Field Ballpark	End of the race Match End	Indicative Departure Return Time H Indicative Return Departure
07.30	REBELS U12	COLLECCHIO	10.15	10.30
07.50	FUN & PLAY U12	COLLECCHIO	10.15	10.50
08.10	BOSTON U15	COLLECCHIO	10.15	11.10
09.00	STARANZANO U12	COLLECCHIO	11.45	12.00
09.20	ROVIGO U15	COLLECCHIO	11.45	12.20
09.40	ALCMARIA U15	COLLECCHIO	11.45	12.40
1.45pm	REBELS U12	COLLECCHIO	4.15pm	4.30pm
14.05	FUN & PLAY U15	?	4.15pm	4.50pm
3.00pm	VERCELLI U12	COLLECCHIO	5.45pm	18.00
3.20pm	FUN & PLAY U12	COLLECCHIO	5.45pm	6.20pm
3.40pm	DRAGONS U15	?	5.45pm	6.40pm
4.00pm	BOSTON U15	?	5.45pm	7.00pm

SUNDAY 04/08/2024

Departure H Departure	Squad Team	Field Ballpark	End of the race Match End	Indicative Departure Return Time H Indicative Return Departure
06.45	MATCH 69 U15	COLLECCHIO	09.15	09.25
07.10	MATCH 31 U12	COLLECCHIO	09.15	10.00
07.45	MATCH 72 U15	COLLECCHIO	10.45am	11.00
08.10	MATCH 34 U12	COLLECCHIO	10.45am	11.20
09.00	MATCH 73 U15	COLLECCHIO	12.15	12.30
09.45	MATCH 35 U12	COLLECCHIO	12.15	12.50

*= some trips may not be necessary or may be subject to timetable changes.

The final scheme will be announced on Saturday evening.

*=some trips may not be necessary or can have some timetable changes.

The definitive timetable will be communicated SAT evening.

THEY DO NOT USE THE SHUTTLE BUS/NO SHUTTLE BUS

U12: Crocetta, Collecchio, Reggio Emilia, Oltretorrente

U15: Junior Parma, Crocetta, Collecchio



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MEAL CALENDAR – MEALS TIMETABLE

WEDNESDAY 07/31/2024		
LUNCH/LUNCH	DINNER/DINNER	
	TIME/H	TEAM/TEAM
/	6.30pm	FUN & PLAY U15 SOFTBALL SALA BAGANZA U15 SOFTBALL FUN & PLAY MB
	6.40pm	FUN & PLAY U12 BASEBALL BOSTON U15 BASEBALL BEES U12 BASEBALL
	6.50pm	GROSSETO U12 BASEBALL VERCELLI U12 BASEBALL REBELS U12 BASEBALL
	7.00pm	CERVIGNANO U15 BASEBALL SKATCH U15 BASEBALL SALA BAGANZA U15 BASEBALL
	19.10	SALA BAGANZA MB SALA BAGANZA U12 STARANZANO U12 BASEBALL
	7.20pm	ROVIGO U15 BASEBALL ALCMARIA V. U15 BASEBALL GROSSETO U15 BASEBALL
	7.30pm	LIVORNO U12 BASEBALL DRAGON U15 BASEBALL FUN & PLAY U15 BASEBALL
	7.40pm	SALA BAGANZA U15 BASEBALL