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C.E.B. COMPETITION RULES

– Amendments 2016 –

The following list includes a summary of the significant amendments of the C.E.B. Competitions Rules 2016 (CR). They are marked **red** in the original document. Editorial amendments are not listed here and are not highlighted in the Competition Rules.

- **Official Baseball Rules – new structure**
Due to the restructuring of the Official Baseball Rules (OBR), the references in the CEB competition rules were adapted to the 2015 OBR numbering.
- **Introducing of new Cup Competitions**
Amendments related to the new structure of the Cup Competitions have been in the following articles:
 1. C.E.B. Competitions,
 5. Obligations of federations or clubs participating in C.E.B. competitions,
 8. Registrations of players for competitions,
 19. C.E.B. competition terms
 26. European Cup and Qualifier Competitions
- **Article 2: Bidding Procedures for the C.E.B. Competitions**
 - a. Federations of C.E.B. can now only send one application per competition per year to C.E.B.
 - b. Changing the deadline for candidatures for Qualifier competitions for European Championships (all ages) to mandatory two years and the deadline for Cup competitions to one year.
- **Article 6: Competition Officials**
 - b. Changing the wording from Umpire Commissioner to the Umpire Director.
 - c. Defining the responsibilities of the Umpire Director.
 - c. Introducing a fine and procedure if a member federation fails to submit their umpire list before January 1st of the current season.
 - d. Introducing a recommendation for the number of scorers needed for tournaments.
 - d. Introducing a procedure if an LOC does not propose the numbers of scorers needed for a competition.
 - d. Supplementation of the responsibilities of the Scoring Director.
- **Article 8. Registration of Payers for Competitions**
 - d. Players do not longer have to sign the final team roster (FTR).

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- **Article 12. Trophies and Awards**
 - e. Clarifying the number of games taken into account for the final stats.
 - f. Clarifying the criteria for choosing the best pitcher of the tournament.

- **Article 13. Technical Aspects**
 - i. Clarification that the TQB is calculated with four decimal places.
 - j. A printed version of the tentative line-up should be provided to the press as soon as possible (mandatory for European Championship and European Champions Cup, recommended for all other competitions).

- **Article 14. Competition Regulations (Playing Rules)**
 - b. Introducing a rule for the identification of bats (if they are legal or not).
 - f. Exception to OBR 7.01 (e): If a game is called before it has become a regulation game, it shall become a suspended game.
 - j. Collisions at Home Plate: OBR Rule 6.01 (i) has to be applied in all C.E.B. competitions.

- **Article 20. European Championships**
 - C. The sequence of games on the 7th to 9th day for the top three teams is changed.

- **Article 21. European Championship U21**
 - From 2017 on, this championship will be played as “U23”.

- **Article 23. European Championship Cadets U15**
 - D. Clarifying the promotion and relegation system.

- **Article 25. European Championship Juveniles U12**
 - C. Introduction of bat specifications for the U12 championship according to WBSC rules.

- **Article 26. European Cup and Qualifier Competitions**
 - e.1 Clarification concerning eligibility of players in Cup competitions.
 - e.3 Changing the definition of foreign players (Players of CEB member countries are not considered as foreign players anymore).