

# SPECIFIC COMPETITIONS REGULATIONS

## SLOWPITCH 2022

### 1. PARTICIPATION

#### 1.1. Co-ed Slowpitch European Championship (CSPECh):

Held every two years, in even numbered years, preferably in July. One National Team is permitted from each Member Federation of Softball Europe (SE).

#### 1.2. Men's Slowpitch European Championship (MSPECh):

Held every two years, in even-numbered years, preferably in May or June. One National Team is permitted from each Member Federation of SE.

#### 1.3. Co-ed Slowpitch European Super Cup (CSPESC):

Held every two years, in odd numbered years, in the first week of August, but subject to modification by the EC if deemed necessary.

Each Member Federation is permitted to enter up to two teams, being the winners of that Federation's National Championship Cup (or equivalent competition) for each of the two previous years. Should either or both such winner(s) choose not to take up their place(s), or if one team is the winner in both previous years, the Member Federation may determine the team(s) entitled to participate.

### 2. TEAM REQUIREMENTS AND COMPETITION SCHEDULING

#### 2.1. Final Team Roster (FTR) (**CR 09**) requirements apply for all participants. Each club team that qualifies for participation in a CSPESC shall be entitled to include a maximum of four (4) Pick-Up Players (Max 2 males and 2 females) on its final competition roster.

#### 2.2. The number of players on the field is ten (10): the same as fastpitch plus an extra outfielder. For co-ed competitions, the ten (10) players must consist of five (5) males and five (5) females: two (2) males and two (2) females in both the infield and outfield and one (1) male and one (1) female as pitcher and catcher. 12 may bat if Extra Players (EPs) (1 Male & 1 Female) are included in the lineup at the start of the game, but 12 must remain until the end.

##### 2.2.1. The batting order shall alternate between male and female batters but can start with either gender.

#### 2.3. Play in SE Slowpitch competitions shall be scheduled by the Competitions Commission dependent upon the number of teams entered and available fields and lighting in each case.

#### 2.4. The assumption is that a maximum of six (6) games per field per day (without lights) can be played, assuming no disruption by weather or other circumstances. Saturday is reserved for the Medal games and other placing games.

#### 2.5. The minimum number of games that a team should be scheduled to play on one full competition day (not shortened by weather or other circumstances, and apart from the first and final days of competition) is two. The maximum number of games that a team should be scheduled to play on one full competition day is three, except in exceptional circumstances e.g. due to delayed or deferred games

### 3. FENCE & BALL SPECIFICATIONS

- 3.1. The minimum outfield fence distances from home plate (unless dispensation is granted by the Technical Commission) will be as specified by WBSC Regulations.
  - 3.2. All SE Slowpitch competitions will be conducted with an 11-inch ball when females are batting and with a 12- inch ball when males are batting.
  - 3.3. The preferred ball is the .52 COR / 300 Compression specification as per WBSC regulations.
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