

2026 Érd IYT Rules and Regulations

General Rules (Both Divisions)

Roster & Registration: A roster of players' names, dates of birth and jersey numbers must be submitted before September 18th. Be prepared to show players' IDs at the tournament.

Rosters must be submitted online at <https://iyt.erdbaseball.hu/club> — email 2026@iyt.erdbaseball.hu if you have any difficulties accessing the club's online account.

Coaching: Clubs entering multiple teams must have a coach for each team.

Game Setup: Game lineup must be presented 15 minutes before game to scorekeeper's table. All defensive/offensive changes **MUST** be announced to scorekeeper at time of change.

Game Length: Regulation game = 6 innings. If home team is winning in 6th or when time limit reached, they will not bat.

Time Limit: Games have a 1 hour 15 minute time limit (no new inning after timer expires). Scorekeeper sets timer at game start. Pool play games may end in ties. Playoff games cannot end in ties - extra inning rules apply if game is tied at time limit. Championship games (1st/3rd place) have no time limit and are played to completion.

Batting: All batters start with 1 ball, 1 strike count.

Re-entry: Player re-entry permitted anytime but only into same batting position after replaced player has played at least 3 defensive outs.

Run Limit: Maximum 4 runs per inning, except 6th inning of 1st/3rd place championship games.

Pitching (Warm-up): Pitchers are allowed up to 4 warm up pitches their first inning, and 3 each subsequent inning.

Pitching (Innings Limits): Daily limit is 4 innings per day for every pitcher, regardless of age or division. Each pitcher's tournament-total innings cap is set by birth year:

Birth Year	Tournament Total	Applies To
2010-2012	12 innings	U16 only
2013	12 innings combined (max 10 in U13)	Eligible for both divisions
2014-2017	10 innings	U13 only

These caps follow the pitcher, not the division - a pitcher who plays up into a game in the other division is still bound by their own birth-year cap, not a separate allowance for that division. Any mound appearance counts as a full inning pitched.

These rules are subject to change. Final rules will be provided at the tournament if any changes made.

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Tournament Formats

U13 and U16 Format

Each division acts as its own tournament. The tournament will have a format with two pools of five teams each. Every team will play four games during pool play over the first three days, and the top two teams from each pool will advance to Sunday's championship games.

Division-Specific Rules

U13 (Born 2013-2017)

- Field: 46' (14m) pitching distance, 60' (18.2m) base paths
- Stealing: Only after pitched ball crosses home plate
- Dropped 3rd Strike: Batter may attempt 1st base if unoccupied or with 2 outs
- Pitching: see Pitching (Innings Limits) under General Rules.

U16 (Born 2010-2013)

- Standard baseball rules apply for stealing and dropped third strike
- Pitching: see Pitching (Innings Limits) under General Rules.

Extra Inning Rules - Championship Games Only

(Ties allowed in preliminary play)

If game tied after 6 innings or time limit:

- Teams begin extra innings with runners on 1st and 2nd base, no outs
- Batting order continues from where previous inning ended
- Example: If #6 hitter had last plate appearance, extra inning starts with #7 hitter batting, #5 hitter on 2nd base, #6 hitter on 1st base

Tiebreaker Rules

All ties in standings after preliminary round settled by:

- Head-to-Head: Team that won game(s) between tied teams gets higher position
- Team Quality Balance (TQB): Best TQB score
 - Formula: $(RS/IPO) - (RA/IPD) = TQB$
 - RS = Runs Scored, IPO = Innings Played on Offense
 - RA = Runs Allowed, IPD = Innings Played on Defense
 - Calculated to 4 decimal places using ALL games played
- Coin Flip