

# WBI - WINTER BASEBALL LEAGUE

## Competition & scoring regulations

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### 1. Introduction and WBI philosophy

The WBI Winter Baseball League (WBI) was established in 2025 under the Erasmus+ Sport project BEST, with the goal of promoting international cooperation, sporting development, and strengthening the baseball community during the winter season.

The league is founded on the following principles:

- fair play and competitive integrity,
- recognition of sporting excellence,
- encouragement of regular participation and commitment,
- fostering a positive, inclusive, and development-oriented environment for all teams.

The league format recognizes the importance of long-term consistency and dedication. Therefore, the overall league standings reflect a balanced relationship between performance quality and regular participation.

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### 2. Season and official tournaments

The WBI Winter Baseball League season consists of five (5) official tournaments:

1. December 2025 – Ljubljana, Slovenia
  2. January 2026 – Zagreb, Croatia
  3. January 2026 – Karlovac, Croatia
  4. February 2026 – Novi Sad, Serbia
  5. March 2026 – Varaždin, Croatia
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### 3. Competition format

- Participation in individual tournaments is not mandatory, but teams are strongly encouraged to attend as many tournaments as possible.
- Any team entering a tournament must play all scheduled games.
- When registering for individual tournaments, priority is given to teams participating in the BEST project.  
Remaining tournament slots are allocated according to the principle of first-come, first-served.

- At each official tournament, game statistics must be recorded in accordance with the statistical standards and requirements defined by WBI.
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## 4. Tournament standings

- Teams are ranked at each tournament according to their final placement.
  - Tournament placements are determined based on the official rules of each tournament (wins, run differential, tie-breakers, etc.).
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## 5. Scoring System

### 5.1 Placement Points

#### Placement Points

1st	20
2nd	18
3rd	16
4th	14
5th	12
6th	10
7th	9
8th	8
9th	7
10th	6
11th	5
12th	4.....

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### 5.2 Participation bonus

- Each team receives two (2) bonus points for participation in a tournament.
  - The participation bonus is awarded only if the team plays all scheduled games.
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## 6. League standings

- The overall league standings are determined by the total number of points accumulated across all five tournaments.
- Both placement points and participation bonus points are included in the final standings.

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## 7. Tie-breaking criteria

If two or more teams are tied on total league points at the end of the season, the following criteria apply in order:

1. Higher number of tournament victories
2. Higher number of higher placements (2nd places, then 3rd places, etc.)
3. Higher number of tournaments participated in
4. Head-to-head results (if applicable)
5. Decision of the League committee

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## 8. Fair play and conduct

- All teams must adhere to principles of fair play, sportsmanship, and mutual respect.
- The League committee reserves the right to impose sanctions in cases of misconduct or violations of league regulations.

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## 9. Final provisions

- The League committee is formed by one representative from each founding club of the WBI involved in the BEST project.
- The League committee is led by the Project coordinator, Darja Grimšič.
- The League committee retains the authority to interpret these regulations and resolve any matters not explicitly covered.
- These regulations come into effect at the start of the WBI Winter Baseball League season.

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