



2019 Softball Australia International Friendship Series

- Dates:** Monday, 8 July – Friday, 12 July 2019
- Venue:** Redlands Softball Association, Sturgeon Street, Ormiston, Queensland
- Event Capacity:** The Friendship Series is limited to a maximum of seven (7) male and seven (7) female teams.
- Teams:** This event is aimed at elite youth teams and for 2019 is an 18U event, open to anyone born in 2001 or later.
- For 2019, no overage players are permitted.
- Eligibility:** Dependent on entries, SAL has developed a ranking system to assist with determining which teams will compete should it be required. The order of eligibility for competing in the event is:
1. Softball Australia Development Teams
 2. Overseas National Teams
 3. State teams, national school/university teams, overseas based teams that are not national teams
 4. Regional teams
 5. Association teams
 6. Club teams
- Confirmation:** Team expressions of interest are to be submitted by Monday 25 March, using the online form: <https://salforms.softball.org.au/2019-softball-australia-international-friendship-series-team-expression-of-interest-closing-date-monday-25-march/>
Teams will be notified of their event acceptance by Wednesday 27 March.
- Authorisation:** For regional teams, association teams, club teams and overseas based teams that are not national teams, their team entry must be endorsed by their Softball Governing body e.g.; Member State or National Federation. This will be requested by Softball Australia if a team's entry has been provisionally accepted.



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- Entry Fee:** \$660 inc GST
- An invoice will be sent in early April to those teams who have had their entry accepted. Payment is to be received by Friday 26 April. Teams who do not pay their entry fee by this date will be removed from the competition and another team will be offered the opportunity to participate. Should a team withdraw after Friday 26 April, the entire team entry fee will be forfeited.
- Team Lists:** Team lists must not exceed 17 players.
- Games:** Each team will play a minimum of seven (7) games, subject to weather. Games shall be of 90 minutes duration.
- Ball:** The Easton 888 (12-inch) ball will be used.
- Pitching Distance:** As this is an 18U event, the pitching distance will be 43 feet for females and 46 feet for males.
- Umpires:** Umpires will be provided for the event, teams are not required to provide an umpire.
- Accommodation:** Accommodation is the responsibility of each participating team.
- Ground Transport:** Ground Transport is the responsibility of each participating team.
- Draw:** Softball Australia will develop a draw once final entries are received and will then distribute to participating teams.
- Further information:** Further event information will be sent to teams who have their team entry accepted.
- Any questions can be sent to Shane Cantelmi: shane.cantelmi@softball.org.au.