WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC 2026

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

FIRST ROUND

POOL A

- PUERTO RICO
- CUBA
- CANADA
- PANAMA
- QUALIFIER

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO
MARCH 6–11, 2026

POOL B

- UNITED STATES
- MEXICO
- ITALY
- GREAT BRITAIN
- QUALIFIER

HOUSTON, TEXAS
MARCH 6–11, 2026

SECOND ROUND

QUARTERFINALS*

GAME 1
POOL A RUNNER-UP
POOL B WINNER
MARCH 13, 2026

GAME 2
POOL B RUNNER-UP
POOL A WINNER
MARCH 14, 2026

Minute Maid Park
HOUSTON, TEXAS

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEMIFINALS

SEMIFINAL 1
QUARTERFINAL TBD vs. QUARTERFINAL TBD
MARCH 15, 2026

SEMIFINAL 2
QUARTERFINAL TBD vs. QUARTERFINAL TBD
MARCH 16, 2026

loanDepot park
MIAMI, FLORIDA

CHAMPIONSHIP

SEMIFINAL 1 WINNER
vs.
SEMIFINAL 2 WINNER

MARCH 17, 2026

loanDepot park
MIAMI, FLORIDA

SECOND ROUND

QUARTERFINALS**

GAME 3
POOL C RUNNER-UP
POOL D WINNER
MARCH 13, 2026

GAME 4
POOL D RUNNER-UP
POOL C WINNER
MARCH 14, 2026

loanDepot park
MIAMI, FLORIDA

FIRST ROUND

POOL C

- JAPAN
- AUSTRALIA
- KOREA
- CZECHIA
- QUALIFIER

TOKYO, JAPAN
MARCH 5–10, 2026

POOL D

- VENEZUELA
- DOMINICAN REP.
- NETHERLANDS
- ISRAEL
- QUALIFIER

MIAMI, FLORIDA
MARCH 6–11, 2026

*If Team USA advances to the Quarterfinals in Houston, they will play Friday, March 13, regardless if they're the Pool B winner or Pool B runner-up.
**If Team Japan advances to the Quarterfinals in Miami, they will play Saturday, March 14, regardless if they're the Pool C winner or Pool C runner-up.