

2012 National Board Meeting – Adopted Baseball Bat Rule

The bat shall be a regulation (unaltered) baseball bat (not softball) made of either wood or an approved alloy.

- a) For ages 5-12, all non-wood bats must meet 1.15 BPF (Bat Performance Factor) for the life of the bat and possess a “clearly identifiable” manufacture’s certification stamp. This will include 2 ¼, 2 5/8, and 2 ¾ barrel bats.
 - BBCOR bats are legal for use in ages 5-12.
- b) For ages 13-19, all non-wood bats must meet BBCOR (Batted Ball Coefficient of Restitution) and possess a “clearly identifiable” manufacture’s certification stamp.
 - A bat shall not weight numerically more than three ounces less than the length of the bat.
 - The diameter of the bat shall be no larger than 2 5/8 barrel.
 - For ages 13 & up still Drop 3 and BBCOR
- c) Bats that are broken, cracked, dented or deface the ball are illegal.
- d) There shall be no devices, attachments or wrappings that cause the handle to become flush with the knob.
 - Molded grips and Choke up knobs are illegal.