

Bat Standards

Softball Canada recognizes bats certified by both USA Softball and the WBSC for use in Fast Pitch competitions and USA Softball, the WBSC and USSSA for Slo-Pitch play.

FAST PITCH - MALE (UP TO U19) AND FEMALE (ALL LEVELS)

Acceptable Certification Stamps:

ISF2005

WBSC (New)

ASA2000

ASA2004

**USA Softball
(New)**



- Any bat that appears on the [WBSC Softball Approved Bat List](#) and has a current ISF certification (shown above) or WBSC certification (shown above) will be accepted for play at a Softball Canada event.
- Any bat that appears on the [USA Softball Approved Bat List](#) and has an ASA 2000 or 2004 or USA Softball 2019 certification stamp (shown above) will also be accepted for play at an event.
- The bat must meet the compression standards outlined by the certifying organization and ensure they are in the proper range.
- The bat must still pass a visual inspection per the current Softball Canada rulebook.

FAST PITCH - ADULT MALE (U23 AND ABOVE)

Acceptable Certification Stamps:

ISF2005

WBSC (New)

ASA2000

ASA2004

**USA Softball
(New)**



- Any bat that appears on the [WBSC approved bat list](#) and has a current ISF certification stamp or WBSC certification (shown above) will be accepted for play at a Softball Canada event or,
- Any bat that appears on the [USA Softball Approved Bat List](#) and has an ASA 2000 or 2004 or USA Softball 2019 certification stamp (shown above) will also be accepted for play at an event.
- The bat must meet the compression standards outlined by the certifying organization and ensure that they are in the proper range.
- The bat must still pass a visual inspection per the current Softball Canada rulebook.

SLO-PITCH - (ALL)

Acceptable Certification Stamps:

ISF 2005



WBSC
(New)



ASA 2000



ASA 2004



USA Softball
(New)



All other bats are not approved for use. Non-approved Bats shall be removed from competition and visibly marked (e.g. tape). Teams should be advised that attempted use during the game will, by rule, result in ejection.

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- Any bat that appears on the [WBSC approved bat list](#) and has a current ISF certification stamp will be accepted for play in Softball Canada competition *or*,
- Any bat that appears on the [USA Softball Approved Bat List](#) and has an ASA 2000 or ASA 2004 stamp will also be accepted for play in Softball Canada competition (Note: *the ASA 2013 certification stamp and the USA Softball 2019 Adult certification stamp are no longer accepted for endorsement in Softball Canada competition*) *or*,
- Any bat that has a new USSSA certification stamp and is not on the [USSSA withdrawn/no longer approved list](#) will also be accepted for play in Softball Canada competition.
- The bat must meet the compression standards outlined by the certifying organization and ensure that they are in the proper range.
- The bat must still pass a visual inspection per the current Softball Canada rulebook.

Note: Bats with an ASA 2013 certification stamp may still be eligible for use in Slo-Pitch competition but are not eligible under WBSC (ISF) or USSSA certification.

New: *USSSA has recently adopted a new certification stamp (NTS Stamp shown above) that will be used on new bats in 2021. Bats with the former stamp will continue to be accepted as well. USSSA certification is only accepted for Slo-Pitch competition only.*