

SPRD Softball Bat Testing Policy

Is my bat legal?

- We do NOT require testing for all bats used in the league. The bat is approved as
 - A. It is USA approved and has a manufacturer's USA approved sticker.
 - B. Is not on the USA Softball Non Approved Bat List



Who can request that my bat be tested? When can my bat be tested?

- A SPRD league supervisor has the authority to randomly test bats at any point throughout the season without prior notice.
- Any team manager or umpire may request a bat to be tested at any point before or after the bat has been used.
- Games will not be stopped for testing. The site supervisor will test the bat while play resumes.
- A player's personal bat may be tested at any time before or after their game upon request in order to deem it legal.

What happens if an illegal bat is used during a game? – see SPRD “Player Code of Conduct”

- If the bat in question has been used at any point during a game and is found to be illegal, it will be removed from the game.
- A player/team found using a non-approved bat will be ejected and has a one-game suspension. A second offense is a suspension and requires a hearing.

The umpire said my bat is damaged and/or it has been tampered with, what now?

- It is at the umpire's discretion if:
 - A. Bat has been altered or has evidence of tampering.
 - B. A bat is damaged (cracked, chipped, etc.)
- If an umpire believes that a bat has been tampered with it will be considered illegal and it will not be allowed in any SPRD game.
- If an umpire deems a bat to be damaged and a safety issue before or during any point of the game, players will not be able to use that going forward in any SPRD game.

What happens if my bat is not approved by the bat tester or I refuse to have it tested?

- Refusal to comply with the bat-testing policy will be grounds for an immediate forfeit of usage of the bat in question until it has been tested and deemed legal to use.
- Bats that do not pass the bat compression test are not allowed to be used in SPRD games. Use of a bat that has failed a test will result in an automatic forfeit of the game or games that it was used in after the test was performed.

Are there any special exceptions to the requirements for bats used in the Master's leagues?

- Only Masters 50's are allowed to use “senior bats.” However, these bats MUST possess a manufacturer's “Senior Softball” stamp



- Masters 50's bats must be USA and/or Senior Softball approved marked BPF 1.21 or less.
- ONLY USA-APPROVED BATS FOR THE OVER-60 LEAGUE: It must have a USA manufacturer's stamp.

USA Softball Non-Approved Bat List with Certification Marks

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Bass Quake	Combat VIRSP3 Lady Virus	Easton SCN1 <small>IMAGE COMMING SOON</small>
Easton SCN1IBH	Easton SCN1B	Easton SCN2B
Easton SCN3	Easton SCN4B	Easton SCN5 <small>IMAGE COMMING SOON</small>
Easton SCN5B	Easton SCN6B	Easton SCN7
Easton SCN7B	Easton SCN8	Easton SCN8B
Easton SCN9	Easton SCX14	Easton SCX14B
Easton SCX2 Synergy	Easton SCX22 Synergy 2	Easton SCX24B
Easton SCX3	Louisville Slugger FP136	Louisville Slugger FP1368
Louisville Slugger FP1369	Louisville Slugger FPC305 Catalyst (-8)	Louisville Slugger SB304
Louisville Slugger SB34 Genesis	Louisville Slugger SB404	Louisville Slugger SB73V TPS Voltage
Miken MSF Freak	Miken MSU Ultra	Miken MSU2 Ultra II
Miken MSUM Ultra Maxload	Nokona Tomahawk	Onyx Battle Ground - ESBCA242
Onyx First Born - ES2P21	Schutt Red/Silver Schutt Bat	Worth EST9 <small>New</small>
Worth QESTFP <small>New</small>	Worth SBWK(Wicked)	Worth SBWKA
Worth WWSC Wicked Comp. (SP Only)	Worth WWSCA	Worth XEST9X
Worth XGold	Worth XPST4	Worth XRed
Worth XWICKX Wicked (SP Only)		

The official bat, made up of the knob, handle, grip, taper, barrel and end cap shall be free of burs, dents cracks, sharp edges, rattles and show no signs of excessive wear. The official bat may be marked OFFICIAL SOFTBALL by the manufacturer and shall be no more than 34 inches long nor exceed 38 ounces in weight. The official bat shall not be more than 2.250 inches in diameter at its largest part, including any tolerance for expansion. It should also have a manufacturer's USA approved sticker (below).

