



## **BPA BAT REQUIREMENTS**

The official bat shall be a smooth round cylinder with a knob that is permanently and securely fastened and shall not exceed more than 2 ¾ inches in diameter at the thickets part and not more than 36 inches in length. There shall be no devices, attachments or wrappings that cause the handle to become flush with the knob. Molded grips are illegal. A non-wood bat must have a safety grip of cork, tape or composition material. The grip must extend a minimum of 10 inches but not more than 18 inches. Slippery tape or similar material shall be prohibited.

Ages 12U and Below: All non-wood bats must be permanently stamped with the 1.15 BPF, USA Baseball <u>OR</u> BBCOR Certification Mark and will have no weight drop restriction. Alternatively, wood bats may be used.

Ages 13U: All non-wood bats must be permanently stamped with the 1.15 BPF, USA Baseball <u>OR</u> BBCOR certification Mark and must use a **Maximum drop 8 (-8).** Alternatively wood bats may be used.

Ages 14U: All non-wood bats must be permanently stamped with the 1.15 BPF, USA Baseball <u>OR</u> BBCOR Certification Mark and must use a **Maximum drop 5 (-5).** Alternatively, wood bats may be used.

Ages 15U and Above: All non-wood bats must be permanently stamped with the BBCOR Certification Mark. All BBCOR bats are limited to Drop 3 (-3). Alternatively, wood bats may be used.

NOTE: Length-to-Weight Ration Examples (Drop)

- Drop 8: 30-inch bat is 22 ounces
- Drop 5: 30-inch bat is 25 ounces
- Drop 3: 33-inch bat is 30 ounces