

Bats that are approved by PCSSA must have one of the certification stamps listed below or have a 1.20 BPF on the bat. NO EXCEPTIONS

Slowpitch bats are no exception when it comes to having bat certifications. With various certifications in slowpitch softball, let's take a look at what each certification means to make sure you are equipped with the right bat for our league.

USA/ASA 98

The USA/ASA 98 adheres to the standard that all bats will perform at about 98 MPH. This means that no bat shall have an exit velocity greater than 98 MPH upon contact with the softball.



USA/ASA ONLY

Along the same lines as the USA/ASA 98, the USA/ASA only certified bats will adhere to a standard of 100 MPH. This means, all bats with this certification will not provide exit velocities higher than 100 MPH upon contact with the softball.



USSSA (Thumbprint or 220 lb. Compression)

The USSSA (Thumbprint or 220 lb. Compression) certification also relies on a Bat Performance Factor in order to be certified. Bats with this stamp have a BPF of 1.20 as well and will not rebound more than 20% faster once contact is made with the bat.



USSSA (240 lb. Compression)

The USSSA (240 lb. Compression) certification has higher compression than the USSSA (Thumbprint or 220 lb. Compression) certified bats. This means that the 240 lb. Compression certified bats will have less pop than the 220 lb. compression bats. Although both certifications have a BPF of 1.20, the compression will affect how the ball comes off of the bat.



Below are examples of Bat Stamps that are NOT allowed in PCSSA

