

Bat Certification

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Softball Canada does not currently have its own bat certification program, but endorses the following bat standards for Canadian Championships.

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 stamp (2005 only) 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 certification stamp will also be accepted for play at a Softball Canada event.

The bat must meet the compression standards outlined by the certifying organization and may be tested to 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) ASA2013 USA Softball (Replacement)



Any bat that appears on the [WBSC approved bat list](#) and has a current ISF certification stamp (2005 only) 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, ASA 2004 or ASA 2013 certification stamp will also be accepted for play at a Softball Canada event.

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<https://softball.ca/programs/umpires/approved-bats>