



2018 BAT CERTIFICATION STANDARDS

Softball Canada does not 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:

ISF 2005



ASA 2000



ASA 2004



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 that 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:

ISF 2005	ASA 2000	ASA 2004	ASA 2013
			

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.

The bat must meet the compression standards outlined by the certifying organization and may be tested to 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:



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for play at a Softball Canada event *or*, any bat that has a new USSSA certification stamp and is not on the [USSSA withdrawn/non-compliant list](#).

The bat must meet the compression standards outlined by the certifying organization and may be tested to ensure that they are in the proper range.

The bat must still pass a visual inspection per the current Softball Canada rulebook.

Effective January 2015 WBSC Softball (and Softball Canada) will only recognize bats stamped with the ISF 2005 (plate) stamp noted above as approved. Bats stamped with the older ISF 1.20 BPF are no longer approved for play by the WBSC. They may, however, be eligible for use in Softball Canada competition if they are approved via USA Softball.

Softball Canada will continue supplying all the bats at the Men's and Women's Canadian Slo-Pitch Championship.

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