

2020

APPENDIX 1

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Bats used in SE Fastpitch Competitions must have the 2005 ISF Certified Logo or the new WBSC Certified Logo, as below, **AND** must appear on the WBSC Approved Bat list.



SE Slowpitch Competitions Bats may either comply with the above or have an ASA 2013 or USA Softball 2019 Certification Mark, **AND** must not appear on the current USA Softball Non Approved Bat List.



Slowpitch players are particularly reminded that currently all WBSC World Competition Regulations only allow bats which have an ISF / WBSC stamp AND which appear on the WBSC Approved Bats list. We must presume, until informed otherwise, that these Regulations will continue to apply at any future WBSC Slowpitch event.

All players should please carefully check their bats against current lists in advance of each event.

All participating teams must bring to the TC Meeting all the bats they desire to use, listed on a prenumbered Bat Control Form. Each bat should be marked with the number which corresponds to the list (A marker pen or simple paper sticker is sufficient to identify the bat's number) to facilitate an efficient Bat Control process, which will NOT commence until the completed list is available to the Bat Check group. All previous ESF labels should be removed, any dirt including pine-tar residue must be cleaned from the bat, and attention should be paid to the taping of the grip as failings here often delay the testing process. The umpire team will examine all bats for WBSC Rules legality and may also pressure-test some or all.

Bats that are deemed to be compliant with the requirements will have a current label affixed to the handle, just above the safety grip. The labels will clearly identify the bat as being "approved" for use.

If new bats are purchased during the competition or arrive AFTER the bat control held during the TC meeting, their owners will need to make an appointment with the UiC to have the bat examined and labeled as appropriate. ONLY the UiC will be empowered to check bats during the tournament, so teams are responsible

to know where the UIC is and organize a meeting. A bat cannot be used, even if legal, without the new sticker. Umpires may come to dugouts before or during ANY game, to carry out bat and helmets checks.

TR 06.02.01: A bat not approved may be retained by the team but must not be brought into the Dugouts at any time during the Competition.

Any batter detected using an unlabeled bat will be called OUT and ejected.

A bat (other than a warm-up bat) found in the dugout without a label will be considered an *Altered Bat* and will be removed from the game and the Head Coach will be ejected.

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