

# Bats-Bats-Bats;

Attention all parents if you are considering the purchase of a new bat please read the effective rule change.

## MAJOR BAT CHANGE RULE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018

Effective January 1, 2018, all 2 5/8" bats and 2 1/4" bats must meet new performance standards established by USA Baseball, the national governing body of amateur baseball in the United States. The new bats became available for purchase on September 1, 2017. **NOTE:** Travel ball will also allow the use of the new USA Baseball bats in their programs. *A complete listing of approved bats is available at [usabat.com](http://usabat.com).*

**ALL BATS WITH THE BPF 1.15 STAMP WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR DYB PLAY IN 2018 AND THEREAFTER.**

**PARENTS SHOULD CAREFULLY CONSIDER THIS RULE BEFORE PURCHASING NEW BATS FOR THEIR PLAYERS FOR THE 2018 SEASON.**

**LOOK FOR THE STAMP BELOW ON ALL LEGAL BATS.  
IT CAN BE FOUND APPROXIMATELY (1) INCH ABOVE THE GRIP**

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