

MYAS/Gopher State Bat Standards

The MYAS/Gopher State baseball programs have adopted the USSSA baseball bat performance standards. The standards that were implemented prior to the 2012 season encompass the regulation of big barrel (larger than 2¼” in diameter) and small barrel (2¼” or less) bats. These standards must be used in all MYAS/Gopher State baseball programs. As part of the USSSA baseball bat standards, USA Baseball marked bats will be allowed in competition under USSSA standards. All bats must be manufactured by an approved USSSA or USA bat licensee and have the corresponding mark on its taper, or be a qualified BBCOR bat or a wood bat.

The USSSA finger print of 1.15 BPF is based on fundamental laws of physics that measure the relative performance of bats to be used in USSSA play. A qualified BBCOR bat stands for “Batted Ball Coefficient of Restitution” and it focuses on how much of a trampoline effect the barrel of a bat has on a ball. Bat manufacturers will have to in effect “deaden” the trampoline bounce that pitched balls experience when a batter makes contact. Basically, aluminum bats will theoretically be the same as wooden bats.

The following describes the legality of bats for all MYAS/Gopher State programs:

9-14 year old teams:

Big Barrel Bats (larger than 2¼ inches in diameter) - only the following big barrel bats made by approved USSSA or USA licensed manufacturers will be allowed:

- 1) is made with the USSSA or USA mark (see image at right); or
- 2) is a qualified BBCOR bat; or
- 3) is wooden



Small Barrel Bats (2¼ inches in diameter) - only the following small barrel bats made by approved USSSA or USA licensed manufacturers will play:

- 1) is made with the USSSA or USA mark (see image above right); or
- 2) is wooden

be allowed in USSSA

15-19 year old teams:

All 15u-17-19u programs will follow the bat standards adopted by the National Federation of State High School Associations.

MYAS/Gopher State/will continue its policy for 15-19 year olds in following the bat standards adopted by the NFHS. Therefore, if a bat is legal under the NFHS rules, it is legal in all MYAS/Gopher State programs. If not legal for NFHS play, it is not legal for MYAS/Gopher State.

NFHS BASEBALL CHANGES

Rule 1-3-2: The bat which may be a wood or non-wood product shall be a smooth implement, from the top of the cap to the top of the knob. All non-wood bats shall meet the Batted Ball Coefficient or Restitution (BBCOR) performance standard, and such bats shall be labeled with a silk screen or other permanent certification mark.



2021 MYAS/Gopher State Fall Baseball Bat Guidelines

Listed below are bat specifications for 10-19 year old teams participating in any MYAS/Gopher State baseball programs in 2021. This specification is in addition to the USSSA Bat Performance Standards for 2021. All bats must include the USSSA mark, USA mark **or** be a qualified BBCOR bat, and also **must** follow the size and/or weight differential listed in the chart below.

<i>Age</i>	<i>Maximum diameter @ thickest part</i>	<i>Length</i>	<i>Max Weight Differential</i>	<i>Example</i>
10U-11U	2¹/₄" 2¹/₂" 2³/₄" 2⁵/₈"	Unlimited	Unlimited	
12U-14U	2¹/₄" 2¹/₂" 2³/₄" 2⁵/₈"	Unlimited 36" or less 36" or less 36" or less	Unlimited -10 -10 -10	Unlimited 31-inch bat cannot weigh less than 21 ounces
15U	2³/₄"	36" or less	-5	32-inch bat cannot weigh less than 27 ounces
16U & 17-19U	2⁵/₈"	36" or less	-3	32-inch bat cannot weigh less than 29 ounces