



BAT Requirements

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Starting January 1, 2018, a new bat standard (USABat) was introduced and utilized by a number of organizations, including Dizzy Dean. For our 2019 Spring season, Buckhead Baseball (BB) will allow the use of bats that fall under our current rules as well as bats that conform to the new USABat standards.

What does this mean? By current BB rules, bats must be 2 1/4" barrel size and must carry the USSSA 1.15bpf certification stamp. Under the new standard, 2 5/8" barrel size bats with the USA Baseball stamp will also be allowed (this began on January 1, 2018). The new 2 5/8" USABat bats are in stores now - the stores have been in the process of phasing out of the 2 1/4" USSSA 1.15bpf bats.



What is NOT allowed? Bats that have a 2 5/8" or 2 3/4" barrel and a USSSA 1.15bpf stamp will not be allowed.

Can my child use the same bat he/she used in the 2018 Spring/Fall in the 2019 Spring season? Yes

Can my child use the NEW 2 5/8" USABat in the 2019 Spring season? YES – this bat was allowed as of January 1, 2018.

If we want to buy a big barrel bat for 2019, what does it need to be? The new 2 5/8" USABat

Please see the chart below to help you with the specifications going forward. If you have any questions, please reach out to us at bats@buckheadbaseball.com. BB will continue to monitor both the evolution of the new USABat bats and Dizzy Dean regulations, as well as the future bat requirements, as needed.

BARREL SIZE	BAT CERTIFICATION STANDARD	CAN I USE AT BB?
2 1/4"	USSSA 1.15bpf	Yes
2 5/8"	USABat (new standard)	Yes
2 5/8"	USSSA 1.15bpf	No
2 3/4"	USSSA 1.15bpf	No