









2019 Baseball Bat Rules

Changes from last year:

- All bats must have the USA Baseball or BBCOR stamp on them.
- 2 5/8 inch barrels are allowed in all leagues now.

Since the rules were released late this year, exceptions can be made for bats that fit into last year's rules, but not this year's. Please contact info@racineyouthsports.com to discuss.

	Types	Barrel Size	Differential	Notes
T-Ball		2 1/4 2 5/8	N/A	Must be labeled as a T-Ball bat.
Coach Pitch		2 1/4 2 5/8	N/A	T-Ball or regular bats are allowed here.
Rookie (Machine Pitch)		2 1/4 2 5/8	drop 13 (-13)	
Prep		2 1/4 2 5/8	drop 13 (-13)	
Minor		2 1/4 2 5/8	drop 11 (-11)	
Junior	 	2 1/4 2 5/8	drop 8 (-8)	Junior league can use either a USA Baseball Bat or a BBCOR bat. The BBCOR bats are used in high school and they are always a drop 3.
Senior		2 1/4 2 5/8	drop 3 (-3)	Senior league must use BBCOR bats.

Bat differential is calculated by subtracting the weight of the bat from the length. For example, if the bat weighed 22 ounces, and was 30 inches in length, that bat would have a differential of 8 (drop 8 or -8).

$$30 \text{ (length)} - 22 \text{ (weight)} = 8 \text{ (drop 8)}$$

Penalties:

Bats found in violation will be immediately removed the game.

For **Minor and Junior** only, on the first offense, a warning will be issued to the entire team and the bat will be removed from the game. The warning can come before or after the batter bats. On the second offense, the batter shall be called out and any runner advancing as a result of a batted ball by an illegal bat shall be returned to the base last occupied. If the team with the illegal bat refuses to remove the bat, the offending team will forfeit the game.