

## USA Softball Bat Testing & Certification Program



There are thousands of bats that have been manufactured over the past several years. For bats to be used in USA Softball of St. Louis Play it:

1. Must bear <u>either</u> the ASA approved 2000 certification mark or the ASA 2004 certification mark, or the **new certification mark for 2013 and Beyond for SLOW PITCH** as shown below, and must not be listed on an **ASA NON-Approved list**. The one page list of ASA NON-Approved Bats can be found online at: <a href="http://usa.asasoftball.com/e/build\_batlist\_one\_page.asp">http://usa.asasoftball.com/e/build\_batlist\_one\_page.asp</a>



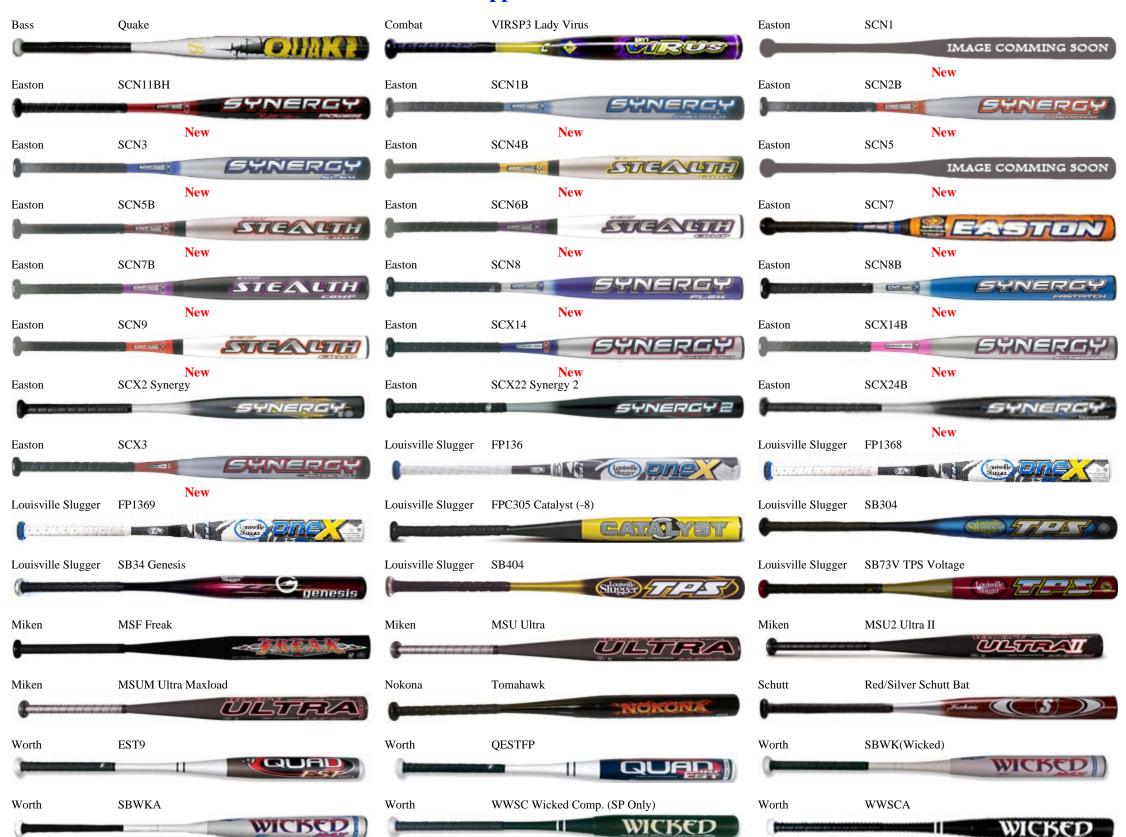




2013 – Slow Pitch Approved 2014 – Male Fast Pitch & MMP

- 2. In addition, Roger Berry St. Louis Deputy Slow Pitch Commissioner, has the one page list of ASA NON-Approved Bats available for teams and umpires to refer to when inspecting bats.
- 3. If your bat was manufactured in 2000 or after, and it does **NOT** have either one of these certification marks **you may not use it!!** However, if your bat was made prior to 2000, and in the sole discretion of the umpire would pass ASA certification test if tested it may be used in non-championship play.
- 4. If your bat does have one of these certification marks, but it is on the **ASA NON-Approved Bat List you can not use it!!**
- 5. Competing Organizations have also placed limits on their bats for 2013! Many NOW REQUIRE that you purchase a NEW BAT that only has their "LATEST" Logo on it PREVENTING Players with bats purchased in the last few years from being used legally. NOT IN ASA You Have Much More Flexibility In the Bats You Can Use!

## **USA Softball Non-Approved Bat List with Certification Marks**



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