



# Memorandum

**To:** Softball Administrators

**From:** Sandy Searcy, Director of Sports and Officials

**Subject:** Certified Bats

**Date:** January 25, 2016

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The Amateur Softball Association of America (ASA)/USA Softball, in working with Easton Baseball/Softball Inc. (Easton), recently announced that Easton is voluntarily removing the following softball bat models from the ASA/USA list of certified bats: SCN1, SCN11BH, SCN1B, SCN2B, SCN3, SCN4B, SCN5, SCN5B, SCN6B, SCN7, SCN7B, SCN8, SCN8B, SCN9, SCX14, SCX14B, SCX24B, and SCX3.

The NFHS Softball Rules Book specifically states that the bat must contain the 2000 or 2004 ASA certification mark and NOT be on the ASA non-approved bat list. Therefore, these bats are no longer permitted in NFHS contests. NFHS Rule 1-5-1d is listed below for your convenience.

**Rule 1-5-1d**

The bat shall:

- d. Meet the 2004 ASA Bat Performance Standard, bear either the 2000 or 2004 certification mark and not be listed on the ASA non-approved bat list as found on <http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Softball.aspx>. Bat barrels made entirely of wood are permitted and need not bear an ASA mark, but shall not exceed 2¼ inches in diameter.

Thank you for your efforts in this matter.