

2021 GBL BAT STANDARDS



Ages 4 – 14 (No changes to ages 15-18 Division)

In 2018, a new bat standard (USABat) was introduced and utilized by a number of youth baseball organizations including Dizzy Dean. Other organizations continue to use the USSSA 1.15 bat standard which has been in place for all of youth baseball (including GBL) since 2011. The GBL Board of Directors has decided once again this season (2021 season) that GBL will allow the use of the USSSA bats that fall under our current rules as well as bats that conform to the USABat standards. This will allow players to determine which bat they prefer.

What does this mean? For all leagues from T-ball to the 13/14 Division, bats must be either (i) 2 ¼" (ii) 2 5/8" or (iii) 2 ¾" barrel size carrying the USSSA 1.15bpf certification stamp with a maximum drop of -11 or (iv) the new 2 5/8" barrel carrying the new USABaseball stamp (there are also less abundant 2 1/4" USABats which will also be allowed). For the USABats any drop is allowed (a bat's drop is a comparison between its length and weight.)

Here are the stamps found on the bats:



Special note regarding Dizzy Dean teams: Those players who wish to play Dizzy Dean ball this summer will not be allowed to use the USSSA 1.15bpf bats during Dizzy Dean sanctioned games. All bats in Dizzy Dean sanctioned Tournaments must have the USABat stamp to be legal.

Can my child use the same bat he/she used in 2020 season? Yes, so long as they were swinging a legal bat in 2020. Please see the chart below to help you with the specifications going forward. If you have any questions, please reach out to us at germantownbaseballleague@gmail.com

2021 GBL Bat Standards for ages 4-14

Barrel Size	Bat Certification Standard	Can I use it in GBL?
2 1/4"	USSSA 1.15bpf or USA Bat (New Standard)	Yes, All Leagues
2 5/8"	USA Bat (New Standard)	Yes, All Leagues
2 5/8"	USSSA 1.15bpf	Yes, All Leagues – Drop 10 (-11) Max,
2 3/4"	USSSA 1.15bpf	Yes, All Leagues – Drop 10 (-11) Max,