

OREGON JUNIOR BASEBALL ORGANIZATION

BAT RULES

In 2012, JBO established new guidelines for bats. We followed the national trend in protecting players from being injured by a batted ball hit with a highly responsive bat. Many parents are asking what to look for when purchasing new bats. When shopping, look for a bat with either a **certification of “BPF 1.15”, or “BBCOR”**. The certifications will vary based on the size of bat you are looking for. Any bat with a certification of “BESR” is NOT allowed.

Official Rule:

Beginning January 1, 2013, all baseball bats used while playing JBO will be either “BPF 1.15” or “BBCOR” certified. Umpires are required to perform a pre-game inspection of all equipment, especially bats, to ensure proper certification. Use of an illegal/altered bat shall be considered unsportsmanlike conduct and the player and head coach will be ejected from the game. Both the ejected player & coach may be subject to further disciplinary action by their as well as the JBO Board of Directors.