



# HAYWARD

— LITTLE LEAGUE —

## BAT REQUIREMENTS & INFO



### MINORS (U10) & MAJORS (U12)

To help keep games safe and fair for all players, Hayward Little League uses USA baseball approved bats. These bats are different from bats used in certain tournaments. *\*\*Please note that players are not required to purchase their own bat; Hayward Little League does have bats available for practice and games.*

#### Approved bat requirements:

- All bats used in Hayward Little League must have the USA Baseball logo stamped on the bat
- \*\*If the bat does not have the USA Baseball stamp, it is not legal for Hayward Little League games*

#### Bats that are NOT allowed:

- USSSA (often marked 1.15 BPF, USSSA, or “travel”)
- BBCOR bats (High School and College)
- Senior League big barrel bats

#### Umpire Enforcement:

- Umpires may inspect bats at any time
  - Illegal bats (not stamped USA) will be removed from play immediately
- \*\*Bats that do not meet the USA certification cannot be use in our recreational games, even if they are legal in certain tournaments or other leagues.*

Questions about bat standards or approved bats may be referred to Cory:

Email: [haywardwilittleleague@gmail.com](mailto:haywardwilittleleague@gmail.com) or (715) 513-9154

**These rules exist to promote player safety and fair competition. USSSA bats are built to make the ball come off the bat 10-15 mph faster than USA bats. USA bats help remain consistent play and support the instructional goals of recreational baseball.**

#### Personal Bats & Player Responsibility:

While Hayward Little League will provide team bats for player use, some families choose to purchase a personal bat. These bats can be a significant investment. Players are responsible for their own equipment, and no player is required to share a personal bat. Players are required to respect a teammate's decision not to share personal equipment.

