



# Memorandum

**To:** NFHS Member State Association Baseball Liaisons

**From:** B. Elliot Hopkins, MLD, CAA, NFHS Director of Sports, Sanctioning and Student Services

**Subject:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Clarification of the Warstic Bonesaber's -3 Baseball Bat Compliancy w/photos

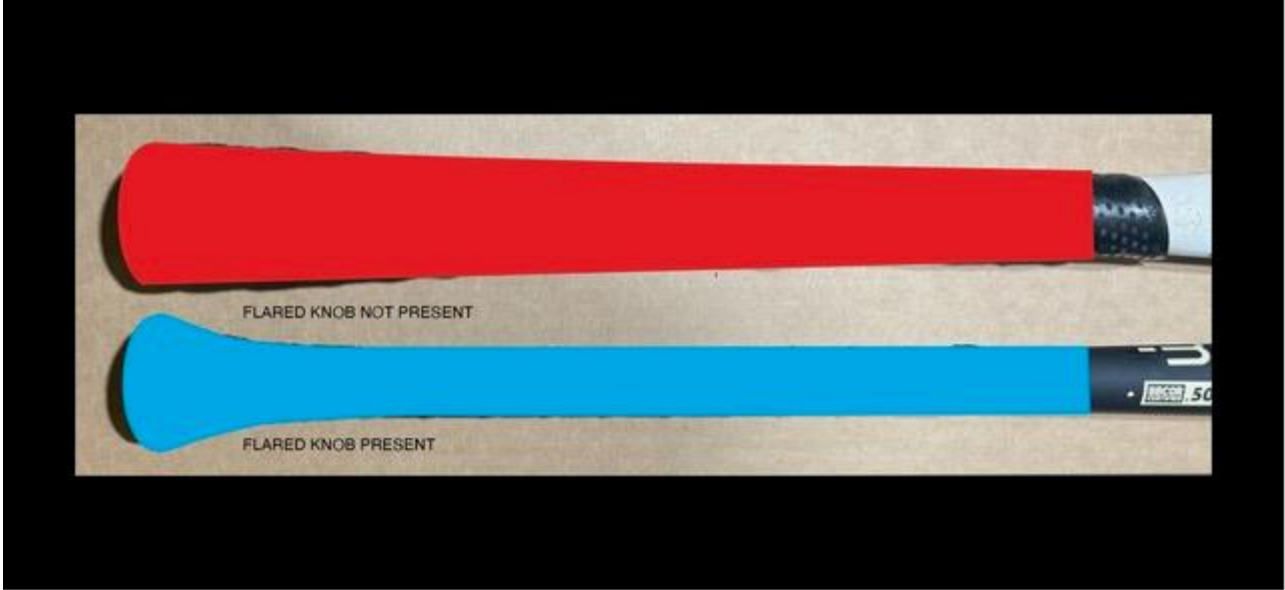
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Thank you for reaching out to our office and your diligence in wanting to confirm the compliancy of the Warstic Bonesaber -3 non-wood baseball bat. For clarification, the Warstic Bonesaber -3 non-wood baseball bat with the factory handle wrapping is compliant. Please share the following with your member high schools that play baseball. In response to our member state associations asking for images of an incorrectly non-stock wrapped bat, we are placing those images below in this memo. **However, please emphasize to your schools and umpires that the Warstic Bonesaber -3 baseball bat is a compliant non-wood baseball bat for high school varsity competition with factory handle wrapping.** Any baseball bat (wood or non-wood) from any bat manufacturer with a traditional or non-traditional knob is at risk of being rendered non-compliant when it is rewrapped in a manner that the wrapping is over the knob making the knob flush (level with) the handle. A simple solution to correct the non-compliant wrapped bat is to remove the existing wrapping and rewrap the handle.

The image of the red wrapped bat below is an illegal bat because it was rewrapped incorrectly. That wrapping eliminates the taper of the handle/knob so there is no discernable difference. The image of the blue wrapped bat shows a compliant and correctly wrapped bat regardless of the knob shape or bat manufacturer.

Again, we are working with Warstic Sports management and they have committed to help their customers better understand how to correctly rewrap their bats so they are not making their product unintendedly illegal per our rule (7-4-1). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office. Thank you and have a great baseball season



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