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Softball Administrators:

Many NFHS state offices have recently been fielding questions about whether softballs purchased today will be compliant with the 2025 specifications required by NFHS Softball rules.

In 2021, the NFHS Softball Rules Committee approved new ball specifications which are required by January 1, 2025, for high school competition. The changes do not represent a difference in ball performance but allow for better control over the manufacturing process.

Softball companies are currently producing balls that comply with the 2025 specifications. There will be no visible changes to the ball markings for high school softball, which include the core, compression, and NFHS authenticating mark.

Any questions may be directed to Sandy Searcy at ssearcy@nfhs.org.

Thank you,

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